Decision No. <u>26184</u>

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of VIDAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, a corporation, for a Certificate that Public Convenience and Necessity require that it exercise the right and privilege granted it under a franchise to construct, operate, alter, maintain and use an electric distribution and transmission system within the City of Vidal, County of San Bernardino, State of California.

Application No. 18842.

Mr. Clark Dilley, Jr., for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>o P I N I O N</u>

In this application, Vidal Public Service Company, a corporation, asks the Railroad Commission to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity, authorizing applicant to exercise the rights and privileges granted to it by Ordinance No. 355 of the County of San Bernardino, and to construct, maintain and operate an electric distribution and transmission system within the City of Vidal, San Bernardino County.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Kennedy on July 12th, 1933, in the City of Los Angeles, at which time testimony was introduced and the matter submitted for decision.

The record in this proceeding shows that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, on January 11th, 1932, passed and adopted Ordinance No. 355, attached to and made a part of the application herein, granting Earl P. Van Denburgh a franchise to generate, transmit and distribute electrical energy within the City

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of Vidal; that on February 24th, 1933, said Earl P. Van Denburgh assigned to E. H. Totten said franchise rights under said Ordinance No. 355; and that on March 29th, 1933, said E. H. Totten assigned his rights thereunder to Vidal Public Service Company, applicant herein.

The testimony shows that the City of Vidal, some seventeen miles west of the Colorado River and within close proximity to the southerly boundary line of San Bernardino County, is rapidly growing in population because of construction work being done in connection with the Colorado River Aqueduct by The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the location of the aqueduct at this point being only five or six miles north of the City of Vidal. The testimony further shows that there are now 32 consumers within the said City of Vidal and it is estimated that within one year's time there will be from 150 to 200 consumers, with a possibility of 450 to 500 consumers as the project nears completion and the community develops.

It appears that applicant contemplates rendering both single-phase and three-phase service by means of a 25 H.P. Fairbanks Morse Diesel Engine generating unit and a standard 2300-volt primary and ll5-230-volt secondary distribution system, both of which are installed and ready for operation, but, owing to the limited needs of the existing community and the present cost of rendering service, applicant cannot justify 24-hour service and will restrict the hours of operation to approximately six hours per day (5:30 P.M. to ll:30 P.M.) until the load is such as to warrant 24-hour service.

The following schedule of rates is proposed by applicant for the different classes of service to be supplied:

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General Domestic Service

First 1	0	Kwh,	per	mote	er per	mont	th	15¢] 127¢ 10¢ 6¢ 5¢	per	Kwh
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Next 10								6¢	77	17
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Minimum Charge - \$2.00 per meter per month.

Commercial Service

First 10 Next 30	Kwh, per	outlet	12¢ 6¢ 5¢	per 7	Kwh T
		per outlet	5¢	**	Ħ

Minimum Charge - \$2.00 per meter per month.

General Power Service

Demand Charge - For each H.P. of connected load, \$2.00 per H.P. per month Energy Charge (To be added to Demand Charge)

First	100	Kwł	1,per	meter	per	month	5¢	per	Kwh
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						per month	l¢	н 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	**

Minimum Charge-The demand charge is the minimum charge.

Street Lighting Service

			\$2.50				
250	C.P.	-	3.75	77	Ħ	Ħ	**
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Applicant has filed a stipulation, duly executed under authority of its Board of Directors, agreeing that applicant, its successors and assigns, will never claim before the Railroad Commission or any court or other public body a value for the heretofore stated franchise in excess of the original cost of said franchise, which cost is \$500.00.

It appears that there is no other public utility rendering electric service in the City of Vidal and no one opposed the granting of the application herein. It is apparent, from the testimony and evidence introduced in this proceeding, that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by applicant of the rights and privileges granted to it by the

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Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, under Ordinance No. 355, and the construction, operation and maintenance of an electric plant and distribution system for the supplying of electric service to the inhabitants of the City of Vidal. We are of the opinion, therefore, that the application should be granted.

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The Commission having been asked to enter its Order, as indicated in the foregoing Opinion, and having considered applicant's requests and the testimony in support thereof, and being of the opinion that such requests should be granted, as herein provided; therefore,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY CERTIFIES AND DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by Vidal Public Service Company of the franchise rights granted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, under Ordinance No. 355, as fully described in the application herein, and the construction, operation and maintenance of an electric plant and distribution system for the supply and sale of electric service to the inhabitants of the City of Vidal.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY CERTIFIES AND DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require and will require that Vidal Public Service Company construct, operate and maintain such electric plant and distribution system in the above named community.

The above certification and authorization are subject to the following conditions:

(1) That Vidal Public Service Company shall file with this Commission and apply to all billing for electricity in the community covered by this Order,

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the following initial rates for the various classes of service to be supplied:

General Domestic Service

First	10 Kwh	, per me	eter pe	r month	15¢ per 125¢ " 10¢ "	Kwh
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Next	10 7	11	77 77	**	10¢ "	#
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				per month	5¢ "	**

Minimum Charge - \$2.00 per meter per month.

Commercial Service

First 10	Kwh, per d	outlet	12¢ per	Kwh
Next 30	** **	**	6¢	
All over	40 Kwh, pe	er outlet	5¢ 7	**

Minimum Charge - \$2.00 per meter per month.

General Power Service

Demand Charge - For each H.P. of connected load, \$2.00 per H.P. per month Energy Charge (To be added to Demand Charge)

First	100	Kwh	, per	meter	per	month	5¢	per	Kwh
Next			.	**	¯ π	-	4¢	Ħ	11
Next	200	77	**	T	**	17	3¢	**	77
Next	300	#	**	77	17	11	2¢	11	**
						per month	l¢	**	**

Minimum Charge-The demand charge is the minimum charge.

Street Lighting Service

100	C.P.		\$2.50	per	lamp	per	month	
250	C.P.	-	3.75	11	11	**	11	
			4.50		**		**	

- (2) That Videl Public Service Company shall, on or before August 15th, 1933, begin the service of electricity covered by this Order.
- (3) That the authority herein granted shall apply only within the incorporated limits of the City of Vidal, as fully described in the application and delineated by map in Exhibit No. 1; provided, however, that the Railroad Commission hereafter may, by appropriate proceedings and orders, revoke or limit, as to territory not then served

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by Vidal Public Service Company, its successors or assigns, the authority herein granted.

The effective date of this Order, except as otherwise specifically provided, shall be from and after the date hereof. For all other purposes the effective date of this Order

shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24 th cay

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