Decision No. 28910.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application

of

SAN DIEGO CONSOLIDATED GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation, for authority to abandon high pressure steam service and to lease its Ninth Street steam system.

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Application No. 19351.

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION AND ORDER.

This is an application of the Sen Diego Consolidated . Gas and Electric Company, a corporation, for authority to abandon high pressure steam service and for an order approving a certain agreement, dated February 20, 1934, made and entered into by applicant and San Diego Ice and Cold Storage Company. A copy of the agreement, marked Exhibit "A" is attached to and made a part of the application.

It appears that for some years past applicant has maintained and operated a very restricted high pressure steam service in conjunction with its electric operations at Station "A" located at Ninth and Imperial Streets, San Diego, California. This service is at present limited to five consumers, including the San Diego Ice and Cold Storage Company, all of which are served by applicant under special contracts on file with the

Commission. Owing to an increase in the cost of operating high pressure steam boilers to furnish high pressure steam service to said consumers since the introduction of natural gas in San Diego, applicant has agreed to lease for the sum of \$150.00 per annum its high pressure steam line on Ninth Street, as more particularly described in Exhibit "A," to San Diego Ice and Cold Storage Company for a term of fifteen (15) years.

San Diego Ice and Cold Storage Company and the other high pressure steam consumers have, by appropriate agreements (consecutively marked as Exhibits "B-1," "B-2," "B-3," "B-4," and "B-5," which are attached to and made a part of the application), released applicant from the performance of existing service contracts and "from any and all obligation or liability" to furnish high pressure steam service,—it being contemplated that said other high pressure steam service consumers, by co-operative arrangement with said San Diego Ice and Cold Storage Company, will be in a position to either individually or collectively supply their own steam requirements as an auxiliary to their other operations at less than the charge therefor made by applicant.

The Commission is of the opinion that the granting of the request herein, for authority to abandon high pressure steam service under the conditions as recited in the application, is in the interests of all parties and that such authority makes unnecessary the approval of the lease agreement dated February 20, 1934, between applicant and San Diego Ice and Cold Storage Company, and that a public hearing in this matter is not

necessary, and good cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDEPED that San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company be and the same is hereby authorized to abandon high pressure steam service, or any steam service from its said Ninth Street steam line, as more particularly described in the application.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10 day of April, 1934.

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Commissioners.