

Decision No. 28488.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

TOWN OF MT. SHASTA CITY, a municipal
corporation, and the inhabitants
thereof,

Complainants,

-vs-

THE CALIFORNIA OREGON POWER COMPANY,
a corporation,

Defendant.

ORIGINAL

Case No. 3623.

Jesse W. Carter, City Attorney of the Town
of Mt. Shasta City, for Complainants.

Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison, by James S.
Moore, Jr., for Defendant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This proceeding involves a complaint of the Town of Mt. Shasta City against certain electric rates of The California Oregon Power Company. The complaint, which was heard before Examiner McCaffrey, was, in effect, a request on the part of the City that an investigation be made by this Commission into the matter of the reasonableness of the rates charged by defendant for electricity to the City and to its inhabitants. Such an investigation would necessitate an analysis of defendant's entire operations, as well as a determination of the value of its property.

Defendant renders electric service to consumers in southern Oregon and in northern California. Electric power, at times, flows from generating plants in California to consumers in Oregon and vice versa from Oregon plants to consumers in

California. This presents a rather complicated engineering problem in allocating investment and expenses, particularly in connection with the generating and transmission facilities located in each state. A complete inventory and appraisal of such properties in each state would have to be made, as well as of the distribution properties in this State.

To undertake such an investigation would entail considerable time and expense. The record in this proceeding does not justify such expenditure and, since the company recently has filed a substantial rate reduction, a portion of which is reflected in the rates charged to consumers in the community of Mt. Shasta City, the complaint should be dismissed without prejudice.

O R D E R

Public hearing having been had in the above entitled proceeding and the matter being ready for decision;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the complaint be and the same is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12th day
of January, 1936.

Leon C. Whiteley

W. H. Linn

W. B. Linn

Walter Linn

Donna R. Linn
Commissioners.