

Decision No. 28876

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation, for an order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California, granting to applicant a certificate of public convenience and necessity, to exercise the right, privilege and franchise granted to applicant by Ordinance No. 154 of the City Council of the Town of Ferndale, Humboldt County, State of California.

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Application No. 20573.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this application Pacific Gas and Electric Company asks this Commission to make its decision and order granting to applicant a certificate declaring that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by applicant of the right, privilege and franchise granted to it by Ordinance No. 154 of the City Council of the Town of Ferndale, County of Humboldt, a copy of which is annexed to and made a part of the application.

Applicant alleges that it is now and since the year 1896 it or its predecessors have been furnishing electric service to the inhabitants of the Town of Ferndale under and pursuant to the franchise granted by the provisions of Section 19 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of California as it existed

prior to the amendment adopted October 10, 1911.

Applicant further alleges that the present and future public convenience and necessity require and will require that it exercise the right, privilege and franchise granted to it by the aforesaid Ordinance No. 154 in order that applicant may continue to furnish and supply electric energy to said Town and the inhabitants thereof for all lawful purposes.

Applicant further alleges that no person, firm, or public or private corporation, other than applicant, is now engaged in the public utility business of furnishing, distributing or selling electricity for light, heat and other lawful purposes to said Town of Ferndale, or to the inhabitants thereof.

Applicant has stipulated to the effect that it, its successors or assigns will never claim before the Railroad Commission of the State of California, or before any court or other public body, any value for the aforesaid franchise in excess of the actual cost thereof, which cost is \$100.00.

It is the opinion of the Commission that this application should be granted and that a public hearing in the matter is not necessary.

O R D E R

Pacific Gas and Electric Company having applied to the Railroad Commission of the State of California for an order granting to applicant a certificate declaring that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by applicant of the right, privilege and franchise granted to it by the Ordinance described in the foregoing Opinion, the Commission having considered the matter and being of the opinion that the application should be

granted.

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby orders and declares that public convenience and necessity require and will require the exercise by Pacific Gas and Electric Company of the right or privilege under the franchise granted to it by Ordinance No. 154 of the Town of Ferndale, County of Humboldt, as fully set forth and described in Exhibit "A" attached to and made a part of the application herein, and that a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing such exercise be, and it is hereby granted to applicant.

The effective date of this Order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 8th

day of June, 1936.

M. B. Lewis
Leon Whelan
W. H. Kim
Walter H. Hays
Frank P. Lewis

COMMISSIONERS.