Decision No. 20567

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, a corporation, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity under Section 50 of the Public Utilities Act, for Authority to Exercise the Franchise Acquired from the City of Chino by Ordinance Nc. 143.

Application No. 21662

Leroy M. Edwards for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Southern Counties Gas Company requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity under Section 50(b) of the Public Utilities Act authorizing the exercise of the rights and privileges under an indeterminate gas franchise granted to it by Ordinance No. 143 of the City Council of the City of Chino, County of San Bernardino, adopted on November 16, 1937, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "A" to the application.

Public hearing was held before Examiner C. C. Brown at Los Angeles, California on January 18, 1938. No one protested the granting of the application.

It appears from the record that for many years last past, applicant has been rendering gas service in the City of Chino and has used the public highways therein under and pursuant to a franchise granted to it by said city adopted on June 17, 1919, and expiring on June 17, 1939.

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Applicant now renders gas service in substantially all portions of the City of Chino and no other utility is at present rendering like service therein.

Applicant has stipulated that it, its successors or assigns, will never claim before the Railroad Commission or any court or public body, any value for said franchise in excess of the actual cost thereof, which is Ninety-five and OO/100 Dollars (\$95.00), exclusive of the Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) fee for the filing of the present application.

ORDER

IT IS FOUND AS A FACT that public convenience and necessity require, and Southern Counties Cas Company is hereby granted a certificate to exercise the rights and privileges granted to it by Ordinance No. 143 of the City of Chino.

> This Order shall be effective immediately. Dated, San Francisco, California, Jan. 1938.