

Decision No. 33603

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of the Southern California Gas Company to sell and the City of Parlier, a municipality to purchase the entire water system, serving in and in the vicinity of the City of Parlier.

Application No. 23739

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Southern California Gas Company asks permission to sell for \$15,000 its public utility water system known as the Parlier Water Works System to the City of Parlier.

For the year 1939, Southern California Gas Company reports operating revenues of \$5,679.32 from the sale of water in Parlier and adjacent territory, and for the year 1938, \$5,427.02. The Parlier water system is the only water system owned by the Southern California Gas Company, which is primarily engaged in the distribution of gas to consumers. A description of the properties which the company has agreed to sell to the City of Parlier and the historical cost thereof appears in Exhibit C filed in this proceeding. The historical cost of the properties,

as of December 31, 1939, is reported at \$52,875.48, as follows:

Land	\$ 1,441.86
Structures and equipment	24,270.56
Mains	19,039.20
Hydrants	1,338.51
Services	1,545.58
Meters	5,239.77

The Commission is advised that the voters of the City of Parlier at a special bond election on September 3, 1940, by a vote of 166 to 5, voted to issue bonds in the sum of \$20,000 to purchase from the Southern California Gas Company, the Parlier Water Works system and to make needful extensions there-to. For the time being the City of Parlier will continue in effect the rates now being charged by Southern California Gas Company, and will assume the obligations of Southern California Gas Company to refund meter and line extension deposits.

#### O R D E R

The Commission having considered the request of Southern California Gas Company for permission to sell its water system known as the Parlier Water Works System to the City of Parlier, and it being of the opinion that this is not a matter on which a public hearing is necessary, and that this application should be granted subject to the provisions of this order, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern California Gas Company be, and it is hereby, authorized to sell on or before December 31, 1940, to the City of Parlier, the real and personal

property described in Exhibit C filed in this proceeding, such sale to be made under the terms and conditions of the option of Southern California Gas Company and the acceptance of said option by the City of Parlier, filed in this proceeding as Exhibits A and B respectively.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that within thirty (30) days after the sale of said properties, Southern California Gas Company shall file with the Railroad Commission a copy of the deed and bill of sale which it executed for the purpose of selling said properties to the City of Parlier, together with a statement showing the date on which it relinquished possession of said properties.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted will become effective fifteen (15) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1940.

Ray L. Carey  
George P. Sullivan  
Robert W. Sullivan  
W. B. Baker  
Justice J. C. Cramer  
Commissioners.