

Decision No. 41846

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY for a certificate that present and future public convenience and necessity require or will require the construction and operation of Applicant's electrical generation, transmission and distribution system to render sixty cycle alternating current service, and for an Order fixing said frequency as a standard for said system, and authorizing current service in territory served by Applicant.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 26791

OPINION AND ORDER ON FOURTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

In this application Southern California Edison Company requests authority to execute a contract with Los Angeles Transit Lines, which contains the terms and conditions governing the conversion of customer's equipment for 60 cycle operation. A copy of the contract, dated August 1, 1947, is attached to and made a part of this application. The contract provides for the conversion work to be performed by Edison in accordance with the terms and conditions of Edison's Rule and Regulation FC-1 filed pursuant to the Commission's Decision No. 39381, except as otherwise expressly provided in the contract.

Under FC-1 Edison's responsibility for adaptation of customer's equipment ceases and terminates sixty (60) days after the date of cutover and in the event of damage to customer's equipment the company is liable only if such damage is due to negligence of the company and the liability is limited to repair of the damaged equipment.

Equipment, to be converted under the contract submitted herein, presented a number of problems substantially different from

those of other customers. Both parties are utilities subject to this Commission's jurisdiction. Motor generators and synchronous converters of the transit company are of considerable age and requirements for future use are subject to the transition in type of transit vehicles. Methods of conversion have been developed with the best interests of customers of both utilities in mind. Work to be done has been limited to gain maximum advantage from conversion economies. Modification of post conversion responsibilities has been mutually agreed to by the parties in view of the peculiar circumstances involved.

Under the contract herein submitted it is specified that if trouble should develop in the customer's equipment as a result of frequency change beyond the sixty (60) day period set forth in FC-1, but within a period of one (1) year from the date of cutover of each such piece of equipment, Edison will correct the deficiencies found. The contract further provides that Edison shall be liable for a one (1) year period for direct damage to any structure owned or operated by the customer, determined to have resulted directly from the operation of the customer's motor-generator sets or rotary converters at a higher speed than that at which they operated before cutover..

It is provided that the contract is subject to such changes or modifications as may be ordered by this Commission from time to time in the exercise of its jurisdiction and that it shall not become effective until authorized by the Commission.

The Commission having considered the petition and being of the opinion that the application should be granted and that a public hearing in the matter is not necessary and good cause appearing, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern California Edison Company is hereby authorized to carry out the terms and provisions of that certain agreement submitted herein, dated August 1, 1947, with Los Angeles Transit Lines, in accordance with the terms thereof.

The effective date of this Order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco California, this 13th day of July, 1948.

Walter D. Powell
Justus J. Cassin
Harold P. Hills
Commissioners.