Decision No. 42347

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COLMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation, for an order authorizing applicant to refile and continue in force and effect until December 31, 1948, Emergency Gas Rule and Regulation A-4 (Limitation Upon Surplus Natural Gas Service.)

Application No. 25139 (Fourth Supplemental)

FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

In this fourth supplemental application, Pacific Gas and Electric Company requests authorization to refile and continue in effect its presently effective Emergency Rule and Regulation A-4, Limitation Upon Surplus Natural Gas Service, to and including June 30, 1949.

This rule which limits the availability of surplus natural gas service was made effective on September 25, 1942 and, with minor-modifications, has continued to be effective in accordance with authorization granted by decisions of this Commission.

The presently effective Emergency Rule and Regulation A-4 provides that it shall remain in full force and effect until December 31, 1948. In its fourth supplemental application, applicant requests that it be permitted to refile the rule in its present form except that it be modified to provide "this emergency rule and regulation shall remain in full force and effect to and including June 30, 1949, or such prior date as the Commission may fix."

Decision No. 35707, August 18, 1942.
Decision No. 37470, November 9, 1944.
Decision No. 40464, June 28, 1947.
Decision No. 41081, December 22, 1947.
Decision No. 41784, June 29, 1948.

In this application, applicant made reference to its pending application (No. 29777) before this Commission wherein authorization is sought to withdraw and cancel all of the presently effective surplus natural gas tariffs. The applicant there requests authorization to withdraw and cancel the Emergency Rule and Regulation A-4, Limitation Upon Surplus Natural Gas Service. In view of the pending application the Commission is of the opinion that the effectiveness of Rule and Regulation A-4 should be continued. Under the circumstances the authorization requested in this fourth supplemental application will be granted.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company be and hereby is authorized to refile, effective January 1, 1949, its Emergency Rule and Regulation A-4, Limitation Upon Surplus Natural Gas Service, which rule shall provide that it "shall remain in full force and effect to and including June 30, 1949, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission," This order is subject to reconsideration and revision at any time prior to such date after notice and hearing upon pending Application No. 29777.