Decision No. <u>42765</u>

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Klamath Water, Light & Power Company for authority to Increase Rates

Application No. 28357

INTERIM OPINION AND ORDER ON FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

In his First Supplemental Application filed November 3, 1948, Clyde Henry, doing business as Klamath Water, Light and Power Company, petitioned for the establishment on an interim basis of Schedule "A" rates of his presently filed electric tariffs.

The present electric tariffs of applicant were ordered, effective on meter readings taken on and after July 20, 1947, by this Commission's Decision No. 40504 dated July 8, 1947, in the initial proceeding in this matter. Those tariffs contain two schedules of rates. Schedule "A" at the higher level was applicable from the effective date to October 1, 1948. Schedule "B" at the lower level became effective October 1, 1948. In its Decision No. 40504 the Commission indicated its conclusion that the rates of Schedule "A" were necessary to afford applicant sufficient revenue to meet his current expenses, "but that the continued application of such rates must be contingent upon applicant's endeavor to provide a more satisfactory service." Also in that decision the Commission considered applicant's proposal to construct a transmission line connecting with The Colifornia Oregon Power Company's system at Crescent City. Such a line would have provided energy to applicant's system at Klamath at lower cost than production through the present diesel generating equipment.

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This First Supplemental Application was called for hearing at Klamath on February 10, 1949, and was recessed to a date to be set. It appears that applicant presently is in urgent need of interim relief, pending hearings and final determination in this matter.

Therefore, the Commission hereby finding that such increases as may become effective under the following order are justified,

IT IS ORDERED that Clyde Henry, doing business as Klamath Water, Light and Power Company, may file on or before April 29, 1949, a schedule of electric tariffs effective for bills based on meter readings taken on and after May 1, 1949, at the level of rates stated in Schedule "A" of the tariffs presently effective in said territory. and in all other respects the same as the tariffs presently effective in said territory.

> The effective date of this order shall be April 29, 1949. Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of April, 1949.