

Decision No. 44487

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the investigation
upon the Commission's own motion into
the reasonableness of the rates, etc.
of SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF
CALIFORNIA, covering gas service.

Case No. 4716

LeRoy M. Edwards and Milford Springer for Southern Counties Gas Company of California; Roger Arnebergh, Assistant City Attorney of the City of Los Angeles; K. Charles Bean and T. M. Chubb, for the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles; J. J. Deuel and Edson Abel, for the California Farm Bureau Federation; Brobeck, Phleger and Harrison, by George D. Rives, and George Kinsman for California Manufacturers Association; E. M. Hope and Major John W. Eood, for United States Department of Army; A. B. Starr for the Eleventh United States Naval District; Chickering and Gregory by Sherman Chickering, for San Diego Gas and Electric Company; and W. D. MacKay and L. H. Stewart for E. C. Fogal.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Southern Counties Gas Company of California, in Decision No. 43865, dated February 28, 1950, (49 Cal. PUC 454), was denied authority to re-establish the Automatic Rate Adjustment Plan previously in force in this proceeding. Matters, thereafter pending herein, included requests for the establishment of certain minimum interruptible gas rates and revision of certain other natural gas rates to mitigate the distortion between the several tariff schedules.

On March 27, 1950, Southern Counties filed Application No. 31161, seeking increases in its natural gas rates. With presentation of evidence under way in this latter proceeding, it appears that the issues remaining to be disposed of in Case No. 4716 can be considered more properly in connection with Application No. 31161 and that Case No. 4716 may now be closed, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Case No. 4716, the Commission's investigation into the reasonableness of the rates of Southern Counties Gas Company of California for natural gas service, be and it is hereby dismissed.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of June, 1950.

R. E. Dwyer
Justice F. Casper
Charles F. Lowell
Harold A. Hill

Commissioners.