

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 51434

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of CALIFORNIA ELECTRIC POWER)
COMPANY for Authority to Refund)
its Obligation to Bank of America)
National Trust and Savings Associa-)
tion by Renewing Short-Term)
Promissory Notes.)
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Application
No. 36902

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order authorizing California Electric Power Company to issue \$1,400,000 of notes for the purpose of refunding outstanding indebtedness of like amount.

Under authorization granted by Decision No. 50230, dated July 6, 1954, applicant issued short-term 3-3/4% notes in the amount of \$4,900,000, under the terms of a loan agreement with Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, for the purpose of providing temporary financing of construction costs. Applicant now reports that some of said notes are about to become due, that it does not contemplate permanent financing until the latter part of the year, and that in the meantime it will be necessary for it to refund \$1,400,000 of such notes. It has entered into a letter agreement with the bank providing for such extension of its credit and for the issue of new notes, payable on or before April 30, 1956, with interest at not exceeding 3-3/4% per annum.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary, that the application should be granted, as herein provided, that the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the notes herein

authorized is reasonably required by applicant for the purpose specified herein, and that such purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. California Electric Power Company may issue its promissory notes on or before October 1, 1955, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$1,400,000 for the purpose of refunding presently outstanding indebtedness, such new notes to be payable on or before April 30, 1956, with interest at not exceeding 3-3/4% per annum.

2. California Electric Power Company shall file with the Commission monthly reports as required by General Order No. 24-A, which order, insofar as applicable, is made a part of this order.

3. The authority herein granted will become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of May, 1955.

Peter E. Mitchell
President

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Commissioners