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**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

GORDON L. HILL, et al., )  
 )  
 Complainants, )  
 )  
 vs. )  
 )  
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, )  
 a California corporation, )  
 )  
 Defendant. )

Case No. 5686

Alfred D. Williams, for Gordon L. Hill, et al.,  
 complainants.  
Thomas J. Reynolds and L. Thomas Rice, for Southern  
 California Gas Company, defendant.  
 T. M. Chubb by M. Kroman, for Department of Public  
 Utilities and Transportation of the City of  
 Los Angeles, and J. J. Deuel, for California  
 Farm Bureau Federation, interested parties.  
Boris H. Lakusta, for the Commission staff.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

On March 20, 1956, complainants herein filed a request for dismissal of their complaint. In support of this request the attorney for complainants submitted a letter dated March 16, 1955, to the President of the Commission. This letter is hereby made a part of the formal file in this proceeding and is designated Exhibit No. 1. Exhibit No. 1 states that complainants' request for dismissal is in part based upon assurances by members of the Commission staff that a re-examination of the applications of defendant for the rate increases involved in the complaint and the books, records and other paraphernalia submitted therewith revealed no improper allowances under existing laws and the rules and regulations of the Commission.

On April 10, 1956, counsel for the Commission staff filed a statement herein interposing no objection to complainants' request for dismissal. Said filing also states that the Commission staff affirms that a re-examination of all pertinent books and records for the period in question and of all Commission decisions for such period revealed exclusion of political expenditures in determining lawful rates and that, if called upon, one or more witnesses from the Commission staff would testify to such effect.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-entitled case be dismissed.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of May, 1956.

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President.  
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Commissioners

Commissioner Rox Hardy, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.