Decision No. 55875

# ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of ANZA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., for authority to raise rates for electrical service to irrigation pumps as shown by Schedule I, Page 10-E of Rates, adopted by ANZA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Application No. 39271
Amended

### OPINION AND ORDER

By the above-entitled application filed July 25, 1957, and an amendment to application filed September 20, 1957, Anza Electric Cooperative, Inc., seeks to revise its present Tariff Schedule I, Irrigation Service. Copies of Schedule I, as presently effective and as proposed to be revised, are attached to the application as Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively.

Applicant states that the existing rates for irrigation service which first became effective July 1, 1955 on the formation of the cooperative, contain a flat rate charge of \$7 per connected horsepower per year. This type of charge has not been favorably received by the consumers. The proposed revision to Schedule I sets up a rate form that will alleviate the necessity for the service charge, and purports to make the use of electric power more attractive for irrigation service.

Applicant's proposed revision to Schedule I will have the effect of increasing billings for connected loads less than 10 hp, and decreasing billings for connected loads 10 hp or more. There are four accounts served on Schedule I, having a 3 hp, 5 hp, 10 hp, and 40 hp motor, respectively.

applicant's existing operating policy.

Applicant shows in Exhibit B that, based upon the estimated usage in 1957 and the proposed rates, two accounts will receive annual decreases totaling \$193 and two accounts will receive increases totaling \$59. The net effect of the revision to Schedule I is to reduce annual revenue by some \$134.

and changes the power factor adjustment clause to conform with

In Exhibit C applicant submits copies of letters from the consumers served under Schedule I, indicating that they are generally familiar with the changes proposed for the schedule and how said change will affect them. Each consumer consents to the change.

The proposed revisions to Schedule I have the consent of the consumers directly affected, and should generally make the schedule more attractive. The Commission finds that the increases in rates and charges authorized herein are justified; that the existing rates and charges, in so far as they differ therefrom for the future are unjust and unreasonable; and that an order should be issued authorizing the rates as set forth in Appendix A herein.

The Commission having considered the request of applicant and being of the opinion that a public hearing in the matter is not necessary, therefore,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Applicant is authorized to file in quadruplicate with this Commission after the effective date of this order, and in conformity with General Order No. 96, a revised Tariff Schedule I with changes in rates, terms and conditions as set forth in Appendix A attached hereto and, on not less than five days' notice to this Commission and to the public, to make said rates effective.
- 2. At the time of making effective the rates authorized by Section (1) hereof, applicant may cancel superseded Schedule I and transfer consumers to the schedule authorized herein.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at

San Francisco

, California, this

day of

President

Commissioners

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#### Schodule I

#### IRRIGATION SERVICE

#### APPLICABILITY

Applicable to pump irrigation service.

#### TERRITORY

The entire area served.

#### RATES

#### Energy Charge:

First 1,500 kwhr per year	6.0¢ per kwhr
Next 500 kwhr per hp per year	3.0¢ per kwhr
All excess kwhr per year	1.7¢ per kwbr

#### Minimum Annual Charge:

First 20 hp	\$15.00	per	hp
All excess bp	10.00	per	hp

Provided, however, that for 3-phase motors of less than 12 hp the minimum annual charge shall be \$180, and for single-phase motors of less than 7 hp the minimum annual charge shall be \$105.

Payment of the minimum annual charge shall entitle the consumer to use during the current year the number of kilowatt hours corresponding to the minimum charge in accordance with the foregoing rates.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS

This schedule is subject to the rules and regulations and to the special conditions following:

- ing a period of meximum normal use, less an allowance of 10 per cent of input for motor losses.
- c. Payment of minimum annual charge. The minimum annual charge shall be due and payable in three equal monthly installments on the bills for the first three months of the irrigation season, whether or not service is actually used.
- d. Power factor adjustment. The consumer agrees to maintain unity power factor as nearly as practicable. The horsepower for billing purposes will be adjusted for consumers with 50 horsepower or more to correct for average power factors lower than 90 per cent, and may be so adjusted for other consumers if and when the cooperative deems necessary. Such adjustment will be made by increasing the horsepower one per cent for each one per cent by which the average power factor is less than 90 per cent lagging.