

ORIGINALDecision No. 56246

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY and)	
SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF)	
CALIFORNIA for an order authorizing)	Application No. 39747
the former to sell to the latter)	
certain real property and improvements)	
thereon.)	
_____)	

OPINION AND ORDER

In the above application, Southern California Gas Company (hereinafter referred to as "Southern Cal") and Southern Counties Gas Company of California (hereinafter referred to as "Counties") request an order of this Commission authorizing Southern Cal to sell certain real property consisting of two lots with improvements thereon, located in the City of Los Angeles and more particularly described as follows:

Lots 5 and 20 in Block 56 of the Huber Tract in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as per map recorded in Book 2, page 280 of Miscellaneous Records in the office of the County Recorder of said County.

Lot 20 is located on the southeast corner of Eighth and Flower Streets adjacent to the general office building of applicant, Southern Cal. Lot 5 is located on the west side of Hope Street adjoining the alley behind Southern Cal's office building at 820 South Flower Street. A map showing the location and dimensions of these lots is attached to the application as Exhibit D.

Southern Cal now uses these lots for automobile parking purposes. It is contemplated that Counties will use Lot 20 as a site for its proposed new general office building, the construction of which will be started in 1958, and will use Lot 5 for automobile parking purposes. Counties is presently leasing office space in the office building owned by Southern Cal at 810 South Flower Street. Both applicants require more office space in order to keep up with the growth of business. The application states that the proposed transaction will enable Counties to build its own office building adjacent to and interconnected with the office building of Southern Cal, thereby providing additional office space for its own use and making more needed office space available to Southern Cal in its own building. Applicants state that the transaction will also enable Counties to provide offstreet automobile parking space in connection with its proposed new office building as required by the provisions of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

Under the terms of a letter agreement dated January 10, 1958, a copy of which is attached to the application as Exhibit C, said real property will be sold by Southern Cal to Counties for the sum of \$200,103.12 in cash, which is the original book cost of said property less book depreciation as of December 31, 1957.

The Commission having considered the request of applicants and being of the opinion that the application should be granted and that a public hearing is not necessary, and it appearing to the Commission that the proposed sale and transfer of property will not be adverse to the public interest; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern California Gas Company on or after the effective date hereof may sell in accordance with the terms of the letter agreement dated January 10, 1958 attached to the application herein as Exhibit C, that certain real property described therein and as shown by the map (attached to the application as Exhibit D), subject to the following conditions:

1. Within thirty days after effecting said sale, Southern California Gas Company shall notify this Commission in writing of the date of the completion of the property transfer herein authorized.
2. The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the property herein authorized to be transferred.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of FEBRUARY, 1958.

E. Mitchell
Secretary

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Commissioners