

Decision No. 59047

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
THE CALIFORNIA OREGON POWER COMPANY

under Section 830 of the Public
Utilities Code for an order
authorizing it to assume liability
as guarantor of promissory notes
issued to finance residential
wiring improvements.

Application No. 39418
(Third Supplemental)

THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

By Decision No. 55648, dated October 8, 1957, as amended, the Commission authorized The California Oregon Power Company to assume liability as guarantor of promissory notes maturing more than 12 months after the date thereof which were issued to finance residential wiring improvements, subject to a maximum liability on any one note of \$600, provided that such assumption of liability shall be limited to an aggregate principal amount of notes outstanding at any one time of \$125,000 and that no guarantee be given on notes issued after October 16, 1959.

In a Third Supplemental Application filed in this proceeding on September 8, 1959, the company reports that its program to encourage the use of electricity for residential purposes, by acting as guarantor of notes of homeowners, has been in effect for approximately 23 months; that up to September 1, 1959, it had guaranteed 139 notes of a total face amount of \$31,919.25; and

that it has purchased seven notes by reason of their being more than 60 days delinquent, on which there is outstanding a balance of \$407.64. The company further reports that it is meeting substantial competition in the form of promotion of use of gas appliances, and that in certain portions of its service area, the gas utility will finance the entire cost of installing all gas facilities within the customer's premises. Applicant desires to continue with its program of encouraging the use of electricity and, accordingly, has requested an extension of time of two years and an extension of its program to new residential construction.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary, that the program will not interfere with applicant's public utility service of electricity and that the Third Supplemental Application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

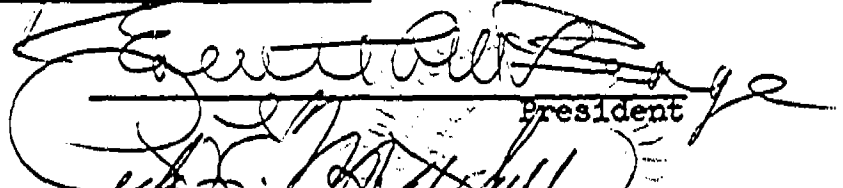
1. Ordering Paragraph 1 of the Order in Decision No. 55648, dated October 8, 1957, is amended to read as follows:

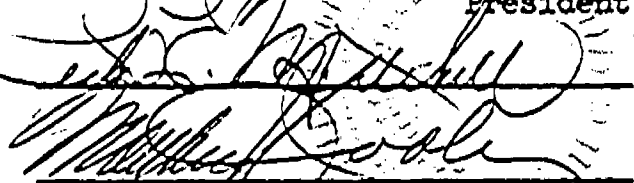
"The California Oregon Power Company is authorized to assume liability as guarantor of promissory notes maturing more than 12 months after the date thereof and issued under the conditions and for the purposes set forth in this application, as supplemented, subject to a maximum liability on any one note of \$600, provided that such assumption of liability shall be limited to an aggregate amount of notes outstanding at any one time of \$125,000 and that no guarantee shall be given on notes issued after October 16, 1961."

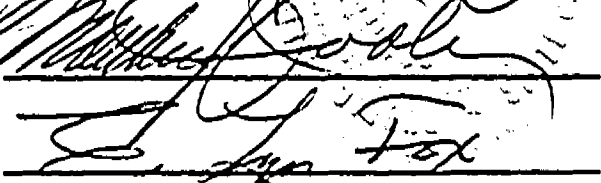
2. The Order in Decision No. 55648, dated October 8, 1957, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect, except as modified by this Third Supplemental Order.

3. This Third Supplemental Order is effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California,
this 29th day of September, 1959.



President




Commissioners