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Decision No. 65421

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY for a general increase in gas rates under Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code.

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY for a General Increase in Gas Rates Under Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code.

In the Matter of the Application of ) PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY for ) an order of the Commission authorizing) applicant to increase its present ) rates and charges for natural gas ) service in the manner and to the ) extent herein set forth. Application No. 34975

Application No. 35742

Application No. 36635

## ORDER CONCERNING REFUNDS

It appearing that pursuant to orders of the Federal Power Commission in Docket G-4769 Pacific Gas and Electric Company has received a refund check from El Paso Natural Gas Company in the amount of \$15,040,735.38, and Southern California Gas Company and Southern Counties Gas Company of California have received a refund check from El Paso Natural Gas Company aggregating \$15,477,916.56; and

It further appearing that the above-named utilities may in the future receive additional refunds as a result of Federal Power Commission determination; and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that this Commission shall be notified in writing within five days of the receipt of any amounts by any of the above-named utilities as a result of any Federal Power

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Commission orders; that none of such amounts received or to be received shall be disbursed to any customer until a refund plan satisfactory to this Commission has been approved by it or until further order of this Commission; and that such amounts shall accrue interest from the date of their receipt by said utilities at the rate of six per cent per annum until refunded to customers.

The Secretary is directed to cause a certified copy of this order to be served forthwith upon each respondent.

Dated at <u>Son Francisco</u>, California, this <u>2</u>/2 day of <u>MAY</u>, 1963.

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President

Commissioner Dwerett C. McKeage, being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding. Commissioners