

Decision No. 65973

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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. 36635

ORDER DIRECTING CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC
UTILITIES COMPANY TO MAKE REFUNDS TO ITS
CUSTOMERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFUND PLAN

Pursuant to Decision No. 65608 dated June 20, 1963 in the above-entitled proceeding, California-Pacific Utilities Company has notified this Commission of the receipt of a gas refund of \$5,942.41 from Pacific Gas and Electric Company on August 27, 1963 as a result of orders of this Commission and of the Federal Power Commission in Docket No. G-4769 and has filed with this Commission a refund plan designed to refund to its gas customers in its Needles Division the full amount received.

Under the refund plan filed by California-Pacific Utilities Company, customers would receive credit against current bills and the refund would be distributed to customers on a uniform commodity basis.

Upon consideration we find that:

1. The refund plan filed by California-Pacific Utilities Company on August 28, 1963 is fair, reasonable, and in the public interest.

2. California-Pacific Utilities Company should be directed to make refunds to its natural gas customers in its Needles Division in accordance with its refund plan attached hereto as Appendix A.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Within ninety days after the effective date of this order, California-Pacific Utilities Company shall refund to its gas customers not less than \$5,942.41 plus accrued interest at the rate of six percent per annum from August 27, 1963 to the date refunds to its natural gas customers in its Needles Division be made in accordance with the refund plan attached hereto as Appendix A and made a part hereof.

2. Within thirty days after completing refunds to its customers as directed herein, California-Pacific Utilities Company shall file a written report with this Commission setting forth the total amount refunded to its customers segregated by principal schedules.

3. California-Pacific Utilities Company shall inform each recipient of a refund either by transmittal letter or by notation on the bill reflecting the refund that:

"This refund is pursuant to an order by the California Public Utilities Commission."

The Secretary of the Commission is directed to cause a certified copy of this order to be served forthwith upon California-Pacific Utilities Company.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of SEPTEMBER, 1963.

William M. Burnett
President
George F. Trover
Frederick B. Holschlag
Commissioners