

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 66505

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

In the matter of the application of
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY for
authority, among other things, to
remove the \$2.00 ceiling from the fuel
oil escalator clause in certain of its
interruptible gas rate tariff schedules.

Application No. 38668

In the matter of the application of
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a
corporation, for an order granting,
among other things, authority to
increase certain of its rates and
charges for natural gas to offset an
increase in the cost of gas purchased
from the El Paso Natural Gas Company.
(Gas)

Application No. 40926

In the matter of the application of
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY for
authority, among other things, to
increase its rates and charges for gas
service.
(Gas)

Application No. 42225

ORDER RELATING TO REFUNDS AND RATE REDUCTIONS
TO CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC UTILITIES COMPANY
FROM PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

California-Pacific Utilities Company, a public utility
selling gas to customers in certain areas of California, is a resale
gas customer of Pacific Gas and Electric Company. It appears that
California-Pacific Utilities Company may receive refunds and rate
reductions from Pacific Gas and Electric Company flowing from an order
of the Federal Power Commission approving the Stipulation and

Agreement dated as of November 1, 1963 in Docket Nos. G-4769, G-12948, G-17929 and RP60-3, and in turn flowing from subsequent orders of this Commission. Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. California-Pacific Utilities Company is named a respondent party to the above-entitled proceedings.

2. California-Pacific Utilities Company shall notify this Commission in writing within five days of the receipt of any monies from Pacific Gas and Electric Company as a result of the Federal Power Commission's order approving the Stipulation and Agreement in Docket Nos. G-4769, G-12948, G-17929 and RP60-3 and subsequent related orders of the California Public Utilities Commission. None of such monies received or to be received by California-Pacific Utilities Company shall be disbursed by it to any customer until a refund plan satisfactory to this Commission has been filed by California-Pacific Utilities Company and approved by this Commission. Such monies as are received by California-Pacific Utilities Company shall accrue interest from the date of their receipt by California-Pacific Utilities Company at the rate of four percent per annum until refunded to customers. All such monies shall be held by California-Pacific Utilities Company subject to the order and disposition of the Commission, provided, however, that California-Pacific Utilities Company may invest these monies pending the final order and disposition of the Commission.

3. Within fifteen days after receipt by California-Pacific Utilities Company of any refunds from Pacific Gas and Electric Company as a result of Article III of said Stipulation and Agreement in Docket Nos. G-4769, G-12948, G-17929, and RP60-3, California-Pacific Utilities Company shall tender to this Commission for filing a refund plan designed to refund to customers the entire amount of such refund received or to be received from Pacific Gas and Electric Company, plus accrued interest at the rate of four percent per annum

from the date of receipt by California-Pacific Utilities Company of said refunds from Pacific Gas and Electric Company to the date of refund by California-Pacific Utilities Company to its customers. Upon approval by this Commission of such refund plan, California-Pacific Utilities Company shall make refunds in accordance with such plan.

4. Within fifteen days after any rate reduction is made effective for California-Pacific Utilities Company by Pacific Gas and Electric Company as a result of Article II of said Stipulation and Agreement in Docket Nos. G-4769, G-12948, G-17929 and RP60-3, California-Pacific Utilities Company shall tender to this Commission by Advice Letter filing and subject to Commission approval reductions in rates to its gas customers designed to reflect the entire annual amount of such gas rate reductions passed on to California-Pacific Utilities Company by Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

5. Within thirty days after the effective date of this order, California-Pacific Utilities Company shall file with this Commission its recommendations and plans for passing on to customers the contingent refunds and the contingent rate reductions that may flow to California-Pacific Utilities Company from Pacific Gas and Electric Company pursuant to Articles IV and V, respectively, of said Stipulation and Agreement in Docket Nos. G-4769, G-12948, G-17929 and RP60-3. Such recommendations and plans shall include, but need not be limited to,

- (a) Refund Plans,
- (b) Rate Reduction Plans,
- (c) Proposed tariff provisions.

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 fifteen days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of December, 1965

Malvern W. Bennett
President

John E. [unclear]

George G. Grover

Fredrick B. Hallock

Commissioners

Commissioner George G. Grover, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.