

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 66728

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.) Application No. 34975

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.) Application No. 35742

In the Matter of the Application of)
SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF)
CALIFORNIA for a general increase)
in gas rates under Section 454 of)
the Public Utilities Code.) Application No. 38211

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.) Application No. 38787

In the Matter of the Application of)
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY for)
an increase in gas rates under)
Section 454 of the Public Utilities)
Code to offset the rate increase)
granted to applicant's supplier,)
PACIFIC LIGHTING GAS SUPPLY COMPANY,)
by Decision No. 57598.) Application No. 40647

In the Matter of the Application of)
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY for)
an increase in gas rates to offset)
the rate increase proposed by appli-)
cant's supplier, EL PASO NATURAL GAS)
COMPANY, in Docket No. G-17929 bef)
before the Federal Power Commission.) Application No. 40957

In the Matter of the Application of)
SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF)
CALIFORNIA for an increase in gas)
rates under Section 454 of the Pub-)
lic Utilities Code to offset the)
higher price to be paid to its)
supplier, EL PASO NATURAL GAS COM-)
PANY.) Application No. 40958

In the Matter of the Application of) SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF) CALIFORNIA for a general increase) in gas rates under Section 454 of) the Public Utilities Code.)	Application No. 41859
In the Matter of the Application of) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY for) a general increase in gas rates.)	Application No. 41860
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 DIRECTING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
EDISON COMPANY TO MAKE REFUNDS TO
CUSTOMERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFUND PLAN

Pursuant to Decisions Nos. 66502 and 66503, dated December 18, 1963, in the above-entitled proceedings, Southern California Edison Company (Edison) has filed with this Commission a refund plan designed to refund to its California customers approximately \$6,432,000 representing refunds received by Edison arising out of the settlement of the El Paso Natural Gas Company rate cases. The above amount includes refunds applicable to purchases by both Southern California Edison Company and the former California Electric Power Company.

Under the refund plan filed by Edison, customers would receive credit against current bills; the refund period suggested would commence February 3, 1964 and continue through the regular periodic billing period next following that date; and the refund would be made to customers, basically on a kilowatt-hour distribution basis.

Upon consideration we find that:

1. The refund plan filed by Southern California Edison Company on January 24, 1964 is fair, reasonable, and in the public interest.

2. Southern California Edison Company should be directed to make refunds to customers 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, Southern California Edison Company shall refund to its California customers the amounts developed in accordance with the refund plan attached hereto as Appendix A and made a part hereof.

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

3. Southern California Edison 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 is directed to cause a certified copy of this order to be served forthwith upon Southern California Edison Company.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of January, 1964.

William W. Bennett
President
George E. Grover
Frederick B. Hallock
Commissioners

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PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION OF REFUND FROM
LOCAL GAS DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES
(Docket Nos. G-4769, G-12948, G-17929, and RP60-3)

A. Outside Territory CEP

1. Accounts Billed Bimonthly. Schedules: D-1 through D-6, DM, (Rate A), DE, A-1 through A-6 (Rate A), DM (Rate B, nondemand), P-1, and PA-1.

For the bimonthly period beginning February 3, 1964, the following refund will be applied to each regular periodic bimonthly bill:

- a. Schedules Nos. D-1 through D-6, DM (Rate A), and DE \$0.78 per bill
- b. Schedules Nos. A-1 through A-6 (Rate A), and DM-B (nondemand) \$1.85 per bill
- c. Schedules Nos. P-1 and PA-1 \$0.35 per hp

Where accounts on the above schedules are billed on a monthly basis, the stated refund will apply only to the billing for the first month in the bimonthly period.

2. Accounts Billed Monthly. Schedules: A-1 through A-6-B, A-7, A-8, P-2, PA-2, R-1, R-2, DM (Rate B if demand metered).

For the monthly period beginning February 3, 1964, the following refund will be applied to each regular periodic monthly bill:

- Demand Metered Schedules 0.26¢ per kwhr

3. Limited Term Firm Power Supply Contract

Contract 9-4-58, Decision No. 57907 \$53,547

B. Territory CEP

1. Schedules PA-20 and CAD-20

For the bimonthly period beginning February 3, 1964, the following refund will be applied to each regular periodic bimonthly bill:

- Schedules Nos. PA-20 and CAD-20 \$0.95 per hp

Where accounts on these schedules are billed on a monthly basis, the refund will apply only to the billing for the first month of the bimonthly period.

2. Other Schedules

- a. For the bimonthly period beginning February 3, 1964 the following refund will be applied to one half of the kwhr of each regular periodic bimonthly bill . 0.6543¢ per kwhr
- b. For the monthly period beginning February 3, 1964, the following refund will be applied to each regular periodic monthly bill 0.6543¢ per kwhr

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PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION OF REFUND
Decisions Nos. 66502-3

	<u>Decision Number</u>	<u>Outside Territory CEP</u>	<u>Territory CEP</u>	<u>Total</u>
Refund from So. Calif. Gas Co.	65773	\$(638,505.19)	\$ -	-
Interest	65773	106.42)	(106.42)	-
Refund from So. Cos. Gas Co.	65773	(69,542.36)	-	-
Interest	65773	(11.59)	-	-
Refund from So. Calif. Gas Co.	66108	-	(80,950.54)	-
Interest	66108	-	(745.19)	-
Refund to electric utility customers	65773	749,005.30	-	-
Refund to electric utility customers	66108	-	61,003.93	-
Customers not eligible for refund:				
Ind. Elec. Mexicana	66108	-	12,408.86	-
Nevada Division	66108	-	677.94	-
Subtotal		40,839.74	(7,605.00)	33,234.74
Refund from So. Calif. Gas Co.	66503	(3,119,659.61)	-	-
Estimated Interest	66503	(13,164.96)	-	-
Refund from So. Cos. Gas Co.	66503	(2,298,837.86)	-	-
Estimated Interest	66503	(9,701.10)	-	-
Refund from So. Calif. Gas Co.	66502	-	(1,030,777.73)	-
Estimated Interest	66502	-	4,514.81)	-
Estimated Refund from PG&E	66502	-	(47,103.00)	-
Estimated Interest	66502	-	(106.92)	-
Subtotal		(5,400,523.79)	(1,090,107.46)	(6,490,631.25)
<u>Proposed Distribution of Refund</u>				
A.1.a. 1,548,000 at \$0.78/bill	66503	1,207,440.00	-	-
A.1.b. 138,600 at \$1.85/bill	66503	256,410.00	-	-
A.1.c. 1,197,000 at \$0.35/hp	66503	418,950.00	-	-
A.2. 1,332,900 M at 0.26¢/kwh	66503	3,465,510.00	-	-
A.3.		53,547.00	-	-
B.1. 122,300 at \$0.95/hp	66502	-	116,185.00	-
B.2.a. 35,712 M at 0.6543¢/kwh	66502	-	233,663.62	-
B.2.b. 103,957 M at 0.6543¢/kwh	66502	-	680,190.65	-
Customers not eligible for refund:				
Ind. Elec. Mexicana	66502	-	45,271.02	-
Nevada Division	66502	-	14,767.55	-
TOTAL		1,363.21	(29.26)	1,333.95