

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 68369

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of SOUTH TAHOE GAS
CO., a California corporation,
for authority to renew certain
promissory notes.)
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Application No. 47145
Filed November 27, 1964

O P I N I O N

This is an application for an order of the Commission authorizing South Tahoe Gas Co. to issue notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$195,000.

Applicant is a California corporation engaged in business as a public utility providing liquefied petroleum gas service in portions of El Dorado County. The company reports that it has outstanding two 5-3/4% short-term promissory notes totaling \$195,000 in favor of Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association and representing indebtedness incurred for construction purposes. In this proceeding, applicant proposes to renew such short-term borrowings for successive periods aggregating not more than nine months from January 1, 1965.

Applicant asserts that substantial amounts of interim and permanent financing will be required in 1965 for contemplated conversion and expansion of its system in order to provide natural gas service throughout the south Lake Tahoe area. The utility indicates that appropriate applications related to such expansion and permanent financing will be filed with the Commission at later dates.

The Commission has considered this matter and finds that: (1) the proposed notes are for a proper purpose; (2) the money, property or labor to be procured or paid for by the issue of the notes herein authorized is reasonably required for the purpose specified herein; and (3) such purpose is not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income. On the basis of these findings we conclude that the application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

The authorization herein given is for the purpose of this proceeding only and is not to be construed as indicative of amounts to be included in proceedings for the determination of just and reasonable rates.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. South Tahoe Gas Co. may issue and reissue its 5-3/4% promissory notes in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$195,000 for the purpose specified in this proceeding and bearing maturity dates prior to October 1, 1965.
2. South Tahoe Gas Co. shall file with the Commission a report, or reports, as required by General Order No. 24-B, which order, insofar as applicable, is hereby made a part of this order.

3. This order shall become effective when South Tahoe Gas Co. has paid the fee prescribed by Section 1904 (b) of the Public Utilities Code, which fee is \$195.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of December, 1964.

Frederick B. Hallock
President
Walter B. Mitchell
Wesley W. Rags
George H. Thayer
Williamson B. Bennett
Commissioners

