

Decision No. 70803**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY and  
SOUTHERN COUNTIES GAS COMPANY OF  
CALIFORNIA for an order authorizing  
applicants to carry out the terms  
of a contract dated November 17, 1965,  
for the exchange of gas.

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Application No. 48411  
(Filed April 20, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

Southern California Gas Company and Southern Counties Gas Company of California request authorization to carry out the terms of a contract dated November 17, 1965 for the exchange of gas. Prior to this new agreement, applicants exchanged gas under an agreement dated April 1, 1949 approved by Decision No. 43326, dated September 20, 1949, in Application No. 30455.

The new agreement is essentially the same as the 1949 Agreement in that it provides that if a customer of one applicant can be served at substantial savings by a connection with a transmission or distribution main of the other then such service will be thus effected. The principal change accomplished by the new agreement is the elimination of a service charge per Mcf of gas delivered under the agreement. Instead, the net balance of tap deliveries between applicants will be reflected in the total gas supply as allocated between the two applicants.

The initial term of the agreement is five years and thereafter from year to year until terminated on twelve months' prior written notice by either party to the other. The agreement

provides that it is subject to such changes and modifications as may be ordered by this Commission from time to time in the exercise of its jurisdiction.

The Commission finds that the proposed agreement is not adverse to the public interest and concludes that the application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Applicants are authorized to carry out the terms and conditions of the written agreement dated November 17, 1965, a copy of which is attached to the application as Exhibit A.

2. Southern California Gas Company shall file with this Commission, within thirty days after the effective date of this order, four certified copies of the agreement as executed, together with a statement of the date on which the agreement is deemed to have become effective.

3. Applicants shall notify the Commission in writing of the date of termination of the agreement within thirty days after said date of termination.

4. Each applicant shall file with this Commission, within thirty days after the effective date of this order and in conformity with General Order No. 96-A, a revised list of contracts and deviations, including the agreement herein authorized. Such list shall become effective upon five days' notice to the Commission and to the public after filing.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of JUNE, 1966.

Frederick B. Halliwell  
President  
George T. Bremer  
Attorney  
Commissioners

Commissioner William M. Bennett, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.