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Decision	No.	72663

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.

Application No. 49428 Filed June 5, 1967

OPINION

In this application South Tahoe Gas Co. requests authorization from the Commission to issue promissory notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$150,000.

Applicant is a California corporation engaged in business as a public utility providing gas service in the City of South Lake Tahoe and adjacent territory in El Dorado County. The company reports \$360,000 of outstanding loans payable to Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, the proceeds of which were used to finance its 1966 construction program. In order to extend the due date for a portion of the borrowings pending permanent financing, the utility proposes to issue a promissory note, or notes, bearing interest at the rate of 6-1/4% per annum, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$150,000, and notes refunding such notes, the last of which would be due and payable not later than June 30, 1968.

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 granted 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.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. South Tahoe Gas Co., for the purpose set forth in this proceeding, may issue a promissory note, or notes, bearing interest at a rate of not in excess of 6-1/4% per annum, in the aggregate principal amount of not in excess of \$150,000, and notes refunding such notes, the last of which shall be due and payable not later than June 30, 1968. Said notes shall be in the same form, or in substantially the same form, as that attached to the application as Exhibit B.
- 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 \$150.

Dated at San Francisco California, this 17th day of JUNE 1967.

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Commissioners

Commissioner Fred P. Morrissey, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

