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Decision No. 79417

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY for )  
(a) A General Increase in Its Gas )  
Rates, (b) For Authority Either to )  
Include a Purchased Gas Adjustment )  
Provision in Its Tariffs or to )  
Implement an Enlarged Advice Letter )  
Procedure for Reflecting in Its )  
Rates Changes In Purchased Gas Costs; )  
(c) For Authority to Modify the )  
Service Agreements Under Schedules )  
G-58, G-58A and G-61; and (d) For )  
Authority to Consolidate and Other- )  
wise Modify Certain of Its Tariff )  
Schedules. )

Application No. 52696  
(Filed June 18, 1971)

ORDER DISMISSING PETITION OF  
SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY AND  
REQUIRING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY TO  
MAINTAIN PRESENT BASIS OF DETERMINING CERTAIN GAS  
DELIVERIES TO SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

In its petition filed October 6, 1971, in Application No. 52696, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) requests the Commission to immediately issue an order requiring Southern California Gas Company (SoCal) to offer, make available, and deliver gas to SDG&E for utility electric generation plant use based upon a contract volumetric rate of 213,400 Mcf per day calculated for SDG&E's intra-company Schedule G-54. By its motion filed October 21, 1971, SoCal moved for dismissal of this petition.

Earlier, in its Advice Letter No. 265-G, filed June 1, 1971, SDG&E requested authority to increase the "contract volumetric rate" specified in its Schedule No. G-54 from 176,400 to 213,400 Mcf per day, effective July 1, 1971. SoCal filed June 14, 1971, a formal protest to Advice Letter No. 265-G, requesting that the proposed tariff revision be suspended and that the propriety thereof be determined in a hearing for that purpose. By Resolution No. 1523, of June 29, 1971, the Commission rejected the tariff filing under Advice Letter No. 265-G and ordered that the authority requested therein, to increase the SDG&E G-54 contract volumetric rate from 176,400 Mcf to 213,400 Mcf as of July 1, 1971, be denied. Further, the Commission directed that the SDG&E proposal be incorporated into Application No. 52696.

The ultimate disposition of this issue will be based, as contemplated in the aforesaid resolution, upon the record developed in Application No. 52696 with all of the parties having had an adequate opportunity to present evidence relative thereto. Meanwhile, SoCal should continue to determine such gas deliveries to SDG&E on the present basis, i.e., under the year 1971 method, until further pertinent order of the Commission.

Therefore, and good cause otherwise appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the petition of San Diego Gas & Electric Company, filed herein on October 6, 1971, is dismissed and that until further pertinent order of this Commission Southern California Gas Company shall continue to apply the method presently used to determine gas deliveries to San Diego Gas & Electric Company for use in its steam electric generation plants.

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

Dated at SAN FRANCISCO, California, this 23rd  
day of NOVEMBER, 1971.

William J. ... Chairman  
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... Commissioners

Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.