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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of ALTO SALES COMPANY, a California corporation, for an exception to the mandatory undergrounding requirements of Rule 15.1 and other relief, for the subdivision Alta Sierra, a land project, located in Nevada County, California.

Application No. 53251 (Filed April 5, 1972)

INTERIM OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant Alto Sales Company seeks, among other things, an extension of time within which to enter into a line extension agreement with Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) covering Alta Sierra subdivision in Nevada County.

Decision No. 77187, dated May 5, 1970, in Case No. 8993, required PG&E and all other electric utilities to amend their rules covering Overhead Extensions to Serve Subdivisions or Tracts, Housing Projects and Multi-Family Dwellings to provide:

"Not applicable to service within a new single-family and/or multi-family residential subdivision of five or more lots (subdivision)...unless a master plan, preliminary map or tentative map has been filed for the subdivision with the appropriate local authorities pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act on or prior to May 5, 1970, and where an agreement has been entered into with the utility for electric service prior to May 5, 1972."

Exhibit C, attached to the application, shows that final maps for all of the units of Alta Sierra subdivision involved in this proceeding were filed prior to May 5, 1970. In fact, one of the maps was filed as far back as 1966. Applicant has not, however, reached agreement with PG&E on required additional line extensions in that subdivision, and may not be able to reach what it considers an equitable agreement by the deadline date of May 5, 1972.

As an alternative to the requested extension of time, applicant proposes that the Commission authorize a contract in substantial conformance with the one attached to the application as Exhibit A. That agreement presumably would not be acceptable to PG&E and should not be considered unless both parties have had an opportunity to present evidence at a hearing herein as to the reasonableness of its terms.

The Commission finds and concludes that it is appropriate under the circumstances hereinabove described to grant a reasonable extension of time for applicant and PGSE to negotiate a mutually agreeable line extension contract for electric service to Alta Sierra subdivision. A hearing on this portion of the application is not necessary.

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Pending final order in this proceeding, the May 5, 1972 deadline in Rule 15 of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) for entering into an overhead line extension agreement shall not apply to Alta Sierra subdivision of Alto Sales Company in Nevada County.
- 2. If a mutually agreeable line extension contract is reached between applicant and PG&E by June 30, 1972, applicant and PG&E jointly shall file the proposed agreement in this proceeding for Commission authorization.
- 3. If a contract is not submitted prior to July 15, 1972 for authorization pursuant to the foregoing paragraph 2, a hearing will be scheduled for resolution of the remaining issues in this application.

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