

Decision No. 84336

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

VERNESTINE NATION,

Complainant,

vs.

Case No. 9896

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
COMPANY,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING INTERIM RELIEF

Complainant alleges that she applied for and received domestic electric service from defendant from November, 1972 to November, 1974, after which time she moved her residence and established new service from defendant at her new address.

During this two-year period she received regular bills from defendant indicating a substantial credit balance in her account, and containing the notation "DO NOT PAY". Copies of these bills are attached to the complaint. She alleges that she called defendant several times and the credit balance was uniformly confirmed.

The complaint states that complainant received a written notice on February 28, 1975, that her account for service at the prior address showed a balance due of \$401.41, and that defendant, on inquiry by complainant, asserts the right to discontinue present electric service at the new address, pursuant to its tariff Rule 11, if arrangements cannot be made to collect this amount. Complainant's account at her present address is current.

Complainant challenges the validity of defendant's Rule 11 and its applicability to the present facts. In addition she seeks an interim order from this Commission prohibiting defendant from discontinuing service to her, so long as her account remains current, pending resolution of her complaint.

Based on the allegations in the complaint the Commission finds good cause exists for the interim relief requested and concludes that such interim relief should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED that Southern California Edison Company shall cease and desist from discontinuing domestic electric service to Vernestine Nation pending resolution of this complaint by the Commission.

This order is contingent on complainant maintaining her account on a current basis.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15th day of APRIL, 1975.

William L. Stinson
President
William J. Agnew
Stanley D. ...
Leonard Rose
Robert ...
Commissioners