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Decision No. 84800

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY for an order issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise the right, privilege and franchise granted to applicant by Ordinance No. 11 of the Town Council of the Town of Moraga, Contra Costa County, California. (Electric)

Application No. 55708 (Filed May 23, 1975)

OPINION

Pacific Gas and Electric Company seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise the rights and privileges of a franchise granted by the Town of Moraga (Town), County of Contra Costa, permitting the installation, maintenance, and use of an electric distribution and transmission system upon the public streets of the Town.

The franchise referred to, a copy of which is attached to the application as Exhibit A, was granted by the Town, and is of an indeterminate duration. A fee is payable annually to the Town equivalent to 2 percent of the gross receipts arising from the use, operation, or possession of the franchise, but not less than 1 percent of the gross annual receipts from sales of electricity within the limits of the Town under said franchise.

The costs incurred by applicant in obtaining the franchise are stated to have been \$30.24, which amount does not include costs incident to this application.

No objection to the granting of the requested certificate has been entered. Furthermore, this utility or its predecessors have for many years served electricity within the territory now comprising the Town without competition. The estimated population within the Town is 25,300.

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The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the exercise by applicant of the rights, privileges, and franchise granted to applicant by Ordinance No. 11 of the Town.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Pacific Gas and Electric Company to exercise the rights and privileges granted by the Town of Moraga by Ordinance No. 11 adopted January 22, 1975.

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

Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>1979</u> day of <u>AUGUST</u>, 1975.

Commissioners

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.