Decision No. 85519

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CAUSE (Campaign Against Utility Service Exploitation) 5889 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90019

Complainant,

vs.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY 810 S. Flower St., Los Angeles, CA 90017

Defendant.

Case No. 10035 (Filed January 6, 1976)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This is a complaint by Campaign Against Utility Service Exploitation (CAUSE) against Southern California Gas Company (SoCal). The complaint asks that the Commission order the immediate recision of the agreement between SoCal and Atlantic Richfield Co. which was authorized in Decision No. 84729 (A.55599). The complaint alleges that on December 31, 1975, the Federal Power Commission announced a decision to terminate its authorization of advance-payment type agreements thereby eliminating the foundations and rationale of Decision No. 84729.

The complaint was filed on January 6, 1976. On February 2, 1976 SoCal submitted a letter of defects which, in part, indicates that:

"By an agreement dated January 12, 1976, Pacific Lighting Gas Development Company and ARCO terminated the agreement between them which gave SoCal exclusive rights to negotiate for 60 percent of ARCO's North Slope Alaska gas. On January 13, 1976, SoCal removed from its rates the initial increment of the NAFA surcharge. On January 30, 1976, pursuant to Commission Resolution No. G-1848 (dated January 13, 1976) SoCal filed a proposed refund plan to return the approximately \$3,800,000 to its customers during the billing month of April, 1976."

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The Commission finds that the issues sought to be raised by the complaint and the relief requested therein have become most in the light of Commission Resolution No. G-1848 and the various actions of SoCal in connection therewith. The Commission further finds that since the issues sought to be raised are most, the complaint should be dismissed.

Commissioners