

Decision No. 85754

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's
own motion into the natural gas
supply and requirements of gas
public utilities in the State of
California.

Case No. 9642

ORDER MODIFYING DECISION

Southern California Gas Company (SoCal) by petition filed April 19, 1976, requests suspension of Ordering Paragraph 1 in Decision No. 85189, dated December 2, 1975. Ordering Paragraph 1 requires the respondent gas utilities to file tariff schedules by May 1, 1976 reflecting the end-use priorities established by Decision No. 85189, such tariffs to become effective May 30, 1976.

By Decision No. 85591 we granted rehearing of Decision No. 85189 limited to the issue of whether the end-use priorities for the allocation of natural gas should be amended to provide for volumetric sub-blocking of Priority 4 customers. The rehearing was held March 29 through 31, 1976 and the matter submitted pending the preparation of certain gas balances by SoCal and oral argument scheduled for April 30, 1976. SoCal bases its petition for suspension on possible modification of the end-use criteria adopted by Decision No. 85189 and suggests that a new date should be established for the filing of tariffs, such date to be forty-five days after the effective date of the decision on the rehearing, and that such tariffs be made effective thirty days thereafter.

We are not convinced that any modification that might result from the rehearing of the limited issue granted by Decision No. 85591 justifies a delay in the filing of end-use tariff schedules.


We are, however, cognizant of the extensive nature of the tariff revisions required by Decision No. 85189 and the need for a thorough review of the utilities' proposed tariffs prior to formal submittal. We will therefore grant a limited delay in the filing date.


IT IS ORDERED that:


Ordering Paragraph 1 of Decision No. 85189 is modified to require filing of the associated tariff schedules to be effective July 30, 1976.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of April, 1976.



President




Commissioners