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Decision No. 86484

Original
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's
own motion into the electric utility
Fuel Cost Adjustment tariff provisions
and procedures; and the changes, if
any, that should be made to said
tariff provisions and procedures.

Case No. 9886
(Filed March 18, 1975)

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION

Decision No. 85731, the opinion in this proceeding, made no provision for an interest charge upon the amount in the balancing account discussed in Section C, mimeo pages 14 and 15 thereof. It was, and is, the intent of the Commission to encourage the minimization of the amount in the balancing account. Use of an interest factor thereon will have the effect of removing any profit accruing from the use of inaccurate data relative to fuel cost.

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The wording of the first sentence of the first paragraph on p. 20 of our Decision No. 85731 shall be amended to read:

"In addition, an interest charge at the rate of 7 percent per annum will accrue to the amount, debit or credit, in the balancing account. An additional fixed one percent charge for local franchise fees and uncollectible expense will be allowed in each adjustment factor on the amount then found to be collectible or refundable."

2. The interest charge in 1. above shall begin accruing on the date this order becomes effective. Each respondent utility is directed to amend its ECAC filing with this Commission to

reflect the addition of the 7 percent interest charge, said amendment to be made within twenty days after the effective date of this order.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof unless within said twenty days a protest to it is filed by any party in which event this order shall remain stayed pending further order of the Commission. Such protest shall set forth the specific grounds of objection to this Supplemental Order and shall constitute the opportunity to be heard provided by Public Utilities Code Section 1708. In the event this Supplemental Order is stayed by a protest, all other parties will have an additional ten days to reply to said protest.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th day
of OCTOBER, 1976.

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President
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