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Decision No. 92985 MAY 5 1981

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Petition of
Southern California Edison Company,
a corporation, for an order limiting
or defining Petitioner's service
area pursuant to the provisions of
Sections 8101-8109 of the Public
Utilities Code of the State of
California.

Application No. 60337
(Filed March 9, 1981)

O P I N I O N

Southern California Edison Company (Edison) entered into an agreement with Imperial Irrigation District (District) dated November 28, 1967 to limit or define the service area boundaries between Edison and District, for a period of 25 years from October 14, 1968 to October 14, 1993. Both Edison and District are engaged in the sale and distribution of electric power within Imperial and Riverside counties. By Decision No. 73961 dated April 9, 1968 in Application No. 49954 the Commission approved that agreement.

On September 4, 1979 Edison and District agreed to a second amendment^{1/} to the service area agreement. District proposes to transfer several full and partial sections of land from its service area to Edison and to sell certain facilities serving six customers within the affected area to Edison for

1/ The first amendment would have permitted Edison to serve the Sohio pipeline project. Since this project was subsequently canceled, Edison did not seek Commission approval for the initial modification of the service area agreement.

\$47,000. The area, which is north of Palm Desert, is described in paragraph III of the application and is shown on the map, Appendix C attached to the application. District informed each of the six customers in the service area that it believes that the interest of all concerned would best be served by altering the service area boundary to allow Edison to serve the area. District's letter states that it is impractical and uneconomical for it to continue providing service and to make new service extensions within the area in question at this time due to the location of the area in relation to its generating and distribution facilities in the remainder of its service area. It states that Edison has existing transmission facilities adjacent to the area as well as generation capability in its system and is willing to serve the requested transfer area. It further states: "In order to assure more constant supply of electrical energy to your property located in the area in question, we are asking you to support this proposed boundary change which would change your electrical service supply from the Imperial Irrigation District to the Southern California Edison Company." District requested and received endorsements of this change from the six customers.

District's directors requested the Treasurer of the State of California to approve the amendment to the agreement limiting and defining the service area boundaries of the District. The State Treasurer issued Order No. 128 on December 12, 1980 approving the amendment to the agreement (see Appendix B attached to the application).

It can be seen with reasonable certainty that the proposed transfer would not have any adverse effect on the environment.

The Commission finds that the proposed agreement is not adverse to the public interest and concludes that the application modifying the service area boundaries between Edison and District should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Southern California Edison Company is authorized to carry out the terms and conditions of the agreement dated September 4, 1979, Amendment No. 2 to Service Area Boundary Agreement between Southern California Edison Company and Imperial Irrigation District, shown in Appendix A attached to the application, within the State of California.

2. Southern California Edison Company shall, within thirty days after the effective date of this order, file copies of tariff service area maps, in accordance with the

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Commission's General Order No. 96-A which shall reflect the boundary change authorized by this order.

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

Dated MAY 5 1981 , at San Francisco, California.

John E. Bryson
President
Richard D. [unclear]
Thomas [unclear]
Robert [unclear]
Marina C. [unclear]
Commissioners