

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. 0-1123

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to Secretary

UTILITIES DIVISION

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SECTION: GAS

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DATE: April 28, 1960

SUBJECT: Request of Utility to Deviate from Rule 24(a) of General Order No. 58-A to Authorize the Substitution of a Meter Testing Program Based Upon Statistical Controls in Lieu of Specified 10-year Period.

WHEREAS: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY has by letter dated November 19, 1959 supplemented by letters of January 22, 1960 and a proposed revised form of deviation submitted April 22, 1960, requested authorization to deviate from Rule 24(a) of General Order No. 58-A which provides that every gas meter in service be tested at least once every 10 years, and

WHEREAS, through the introduction of statistical quality control procedures after the accumulation of several years of meter test results the Southern California Gas Company is able to show savings with assurance of continued satisfactory quality performance of meters in service and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that Southern California Gas Company is hereby authorized to deviate from Sec. 24(a) of General Order 58-A as amended under the following conditions:

1. Any meter group more than 10 years old will be scheduled for removal as soon as more than 10% of the meters in the group are indicated to be registering more than 2% fast, or as soon as more than 20% of the meters in the group are indicated to be registering outside the range of 2% fast to 2% slow, on the basis of annual tests of sample meters from the group.
2. The company will change its policy with respect to adjustment of new and reprocessed meters having synthetic diaphragms to set these meters at a control standard of  $-1\frac{1}{2}\%$  to  $+1\frac{1}{2}\%$ .
3. The company will submit to the Commission annually a report setting forth the results of the statistical test together with a statement of the meter groups scheduled for removal and the size and nature of new groups established.
4. It is understood that if for any reason this deviation is terminated and the company is required to apply the present provisions of Sec. 24(a) it will be allowed a reasonable period in which to change out meters that have been permitted to remain in service more than 10 years as a result of the statistical control.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular session of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, held on the 3rd day of May, 1960, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon:

EVERETT C. McKEAGE, President,  
PETER E. MURPHY, MATTHEW J. DOOLEY,  
C. LYNN TON, THEODORE H. JENNER, Commissioners

*R. J. Rajan*  
Secretary