

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY AND
COMPLIANCE DIVISION
Energy Branch

RESOLUTION O-0005
March 22, 1995

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION O-0005. MOBIL PACIFIC PIPELINE COMPANY REQUESTS APPROVAL TO REMOVE FROM SERVICE ITS WILMINGTON GATHERING SYSTEMS INCLUDING G-76, A PORTION OF M-99, M-92, AND THE EXXON 515 LEASE. CAL PUC NO. 11 WILL REPLACE AND CANCEL CAL PUC NO. 10.

BY ADVICE LETTER 3, FILED ON DECEMBER 19, 1994.

SUMMARY

1. Mobil Pacific Pipeline Company (Mobil) seeks approval to remove from service its Wilmington Gathering Systems (G-76), a portion of M-99 and M-92, and the Exxon 515 Lease. Mobil no longer transports crude via these pipelines. There has been no interest from potential shippers to utilize these pipeline segments which have been considered idle since June, 1993.
2. No protests were filed.
3. Mobil's Advice Letter (AL) No. 3 is granted.

BACKGROUND

1. The 6-inch (G-76) pipeline was initially installed in the year 1936. This line is approximately 8,712 feet in length and connects to the M-99/M-92 Wilmington Gathering System, also installed in 1936. This pipeline system was designed to transport crude oil from several oil and gas leases in the Port of Los Angeles area. It connects to Mobil's old Wilmington Station and ultimately to its Torrance Refinery. This system has been in idle service since June 1993.

NOTICE

Mobil served notice of AL 3 by mailing copies to all interested parties, and the AL was posted on the Commission calendar.

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PROTESTS

No protests were received on Advice Letter 3.

DISCUSSION

1. Mobil is currently faced with substantial expenditures affecting the proposed cancellation origin point as part of future improvement projects planned in the vicinity of the pipelines described in this advice letter.
2. The line has been idle since June 1993 and there is no current interest from potential shippers to utilize and therefore to assist in the recovery of these additional capital costs on these pipeline segments. Hence, the discontinuation of the Exxon 515 lease as an origin point as described in Cal PUC No. 11 should be approved.

FINDINGS

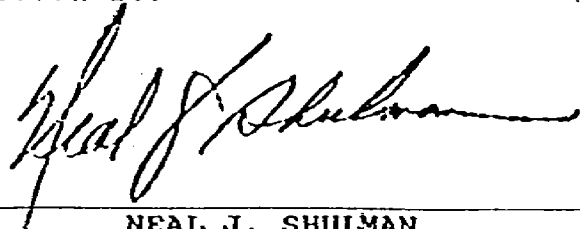
1. Mobil filed Advice Letter No. 3 on December 19, 1994, requesting that its Wilmington Gathering Systems, including the Exxon 515 Lease as an origin point, be removed from service.
2. Mobil's request, as described in this advice letter, is reasonable.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Mobil Pipeline Co's (Mobil's) Advice Letter No. 3 is approved.

This Resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on March 22, 1995. The following Commissioners approved it:



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