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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ENERGY DIVISION

**RESOLUTION O-0016
JUNE 25, 1997**

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION O-0016. THIS RESOLUTION GRANTS STANDARD PIPELINE COMPANY (STANDARD) AUTHORITY TO REMOVE FROM SERVICE ITS KETTLEMAN AND MIDWAY SYSTEMS.

BY ADVICE LETTER NO. 5 FILED JANUARY 31, 1997.

BACKGROUND

1. Standard filed Advice Letter No. 5 on January 31, 1997, requesting authority to remove from service its Kettleman and Midway Systems.
2. The Kettleman System consists of the following origin and destination points respectively: from Kettleman Station to Estero Terminal; from Kettleman Station to Mile Post (M.P.) Fifteen and all connections between M.P. 15 and Kettleman Station; from Kettleman Station to lines of other companies at or adjacent to Station; from Shandon Station to Estero Terminal (Ship's Rail); from Shandon Station to Kettleman Station; from M.P. 15 and all connections between M.P. 15 and Kettleman Station to Kettleman Station. The Midway System is described from Midway Station, or 27-G Station to Strand; from Midway Station, or 27-G to lines of other companies at or adjacent to Station.
3. Since 1992, when Standard dedicated the Kettleman and Midway Systems to common carrier usage, no oil has been transported through these systems.

NOTICE

1. The Energy Division noticed this letter on the Commission Calendar on February 27, 1997, and Standard mailed a copy of Advice Letter No. 5 to customers, shippers and competitors.

PROTESTS

1. No protests were filed for Advice Letter No. 5.

June 25, 1997

DISCUSSION

1. The Energy Division believes this request is reasonable due to the lack of interest in utilizing this line. For four years, there have been no shippers on these systems.

FINDINGS

1. Standard filed Advice Letter No. 5 on January 31, 1997, requesting authority to remove from service its Kettleman and Midway Systems.

2. Standard's request should be granted due to the lack of interest in utilizing this line, hence making it uneconomic to maintain these systems.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Standard Pipeline Company's Advice Letter No. 5, requesting to withdraw from service its Kettleman and Midway Systems, is authorized.

2. This Resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on June 25, 1997. The following Commissioners approved it:


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