## RETURN TO ENERGY BRANCH ROOM 3102

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION Energy Branch RESOLUTION E-3052 September 23, 1987

## <u>R E S O L U T I O N</u>

ORDER AUTHORIZING CP NATIONAL (CPN) TO MODIFY ELECTRIC RULE NO. 14.1 TO MAKE CONSERVATION PROVISIONS LESS RESTRICTIVE RELATIVE TO DECORATIVE LIGHTING (Advice Letter No. C-257-E, filed August 3, 1987.)

By Advice Letter C-257-E filed August 3, 1987 CP National (CPN) requests authorization to modify the Electric Rule 14.1 to make energy prohibition and curtailment provisions for decorative lighting less restrictive by adding a sentence to Section B.1.a. This additional sentence would allow decorative lighting to be used during the night, except during periods of supply shortages. The facts are as follows:

## BACKGROUND

1. Electric Rule 14.1 titled "Prohibitions and Curtailment Provisions" was established after the last energy crisis and revised during the California drought to promote conservation of electricity by prohibiting unlimited outdoor advertising and decorative lighting, and setting limits on the number of hours which functional outdoor lighting may be used.

2. Currently, there are no expected nightime electrical supply deficiencies and an adequate non-peak electric supply is expected well into the 1990's.

3. Use of decorative lighting at night is during the off-peak period for electrical energy and capacity requirements.

4. The Public Staff and Evaluation and Compliance Divisions have reviewed this filing and have no objections.

5. CPN's request is similar to Pacific Gas and Electric Company's request to modify their Rule 14.1 with the same language provisions which was adopted by Resolution E-3032 on May 13, 1987.

6. This filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

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7. CPN has requested that this filing become effective 40 calendar days after its filing.

8. No protests have been received in this matter.

THEREFORE:

1. CP National is authorized by Section 490 of the Public Utilities Code to modify Electric Rule 14.1, Section B.1.a, as filed in Advice Letter C-257-E, the following clarifying sentence to Paragraph B.1.a.: "The use of decorative lighting during nondaylight hours is permitted except during periods of electrical supply shortages".

2. Advice Letter C-257-E and accompanying tariff sheets shall be marked to show that they were authorized by Resolution E-3052 and will become effective on September 23, 1987.

3. This Resolution is effective today.

I certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on September 23, 1987. The following Commissioners approved it:

> STANLEY W. HULETT President DONALD VIAL FREDERICK R. DUDA G. MITCHELL WILK JOHN B. OHANIAN Commissioners

**Executive** Director