## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. G-1789

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UTILITIES DIVISION BRANCH/SECTION: Gas DATE: September 10, 1975

Director Numerical File Alphabetical File Accounting Officer

> SUBJECT: Request to Provide Additional Gas Service by Southern California Gas Company

WHEREAS: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, by Advice Letter No. 931, filed July 14, 1975, having requested Commission approval under Section X.A. of General Order No. 96-A and under the provisions of Decision No. 83819 to provide additional service in excess of 200 Mcfd to Desert Hospital for an enlarged hospital expansion in Palm Springs, and

WHEREAS: The customer will require approximately 250 Mcfd of interruptible gas to be used for boiler fuel to heat the new hospital facilities, and

WHEREAS: The customer will use No. 2 fuel oil as alternate fuel and currently has standby facilities with sufficient storage capacity for 10 days of use, and

WHEREAS: A hospital should have a 30 day supply of oil on hand if it is to be totally dependent on oil for its needs, and

WHEREAS: San Diego Gas and Electric Company has requested public hearings on the above advice letter, and

WHEREAS: The issues San Diego Gas and Electric Company is attempting to raise are currently under consideration in a formal rate proceeding before this Commission, and

WHEREAS: To require the hospital to install adequate standby facilities or to hold public hearings on this matter could delay the opening of the hospital appreciably, and

WHEREAS: We find that such a delay would not be in the best interest of the hospital or its prospective patients; therefore, good cause appearing.

IT IS ORDERED that San Diego Gas and Electric Company's request for public hearings on this matter be denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that authority be granted under Section X.A. of General Order No. 96-A and under the provisions of Decision No. 83819 for Southern California Gas Company to provide the additional interruptible gas service to Desert Hospital in Palm Springs effective on or after September 10, 1975, for a period of time expiring on October 1, 1976 and that the hospital be notified that they will be expected to install adequate alternate fuel storage by the end of the time herewith authorized.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above advice letter be marked to show that it was authorized, conditionally by Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-1789.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, held on the <u>10th</u> day of <u>September</u>, 1975, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: