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RESOLUTION NO. G-2031

UTILITIES DIVISION

BRANCH/SECTION: Gas

DATE: February 15, 1977

RESOLUTION

SUBJECT: Order Authorizing Rate Increase for LPG Price Change

WHEREAS: RUSSIAN RIVER GAS COMPANY, requests to increase its rates by \$6,580, or 3.74%, by Advice Letter No. 37-G, filed January 12, 1977 having requested authority under Sections 454 and 739 of the Public Utilities Code to offset an LPG purchased price increase, as set forth on Cal. P.U.C. Sheets Nos. 191-G to 194-G, inclusive, and

WHEREAS: The utility has spread the rate increase evenly on a cents per 100 c.f. basis for all sales, including lifeline, because the system average unit cost has increased by more than 25% since January 1, 1976, and

WHEREAS: It was determined by Commission Resolution No. G-2022-Alternate on January 25, 1977 that LPG rate increases should only be applied to nonlifeline rates, and

WHEREAS: A supplemental Advice Letter No. 37-G, with substitute tariff sheets, has been prepared which spreads the rate increase in this manner, and

WHEREAS: The proposed estimated annual revenue increase of \$6,580 will offset the estimated increase in annual fuel costs of \$6,642, and

WHEREAS: The rate increase of 7.5 cents per 100 c.f. for all nonlifeline sales will increase the average residential customer's monthly bill by 19 cents to \$13.56 in the summer and by 23 cents to \$26.39 in the winter, and

WHEREAS: The average nonlifeline customer's monthly bill will increase by 95 cents to \$18.38 in the summer and by \$2.11 to \$40.91 in the winter, and

WHEREAS: We find this rate increase is in conformance with its filed tariffs and is reasonable provided that no increase is imposed on lifeline rates; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that authority be granted under Sections 454 and 739 of the Public Utilities Code to instruct Russian River Gas Company to place Advice Letter No. 37-G Supplement and substitute Cal. P.U.C. Sheets Nos. 191-G to 194-G, inclusive, into effect for meter readings taken on or after this date.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above substitute sheets be marked to show that they were issued under Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-2031. The effective date of this Resolution is the date hereof.

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 15th day of February, 1977, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: