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RESOLUTION NO. G-2119

UTILITIES DIVISION

BRANCH/SECTION: Gas

DATE: July 19, 1977

RESOLUTION

SUBJECT: Order Authorizing Revised PGA Rate Increase

WHEREAS: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, by Advice Letters Nos. 1078 and 1078, Supplemental, filed May 24, 1977 and July 11, 1977, respectively, having requested authority under the PGA procedure of the utility's filed tariffs to file revised tariff sheets to track purchased gas cost increases from Pacific Interstate Transmission Co. (P.I.T.) as set forth on Cal. P.U.C. Sheets Nos. 14928-G to 14943-G, inclusive and 14963-G to 14979-G, inclusive, respectively, resulting in the following:

1. The proposed rate increase would result in a revenue increase of \$11,483,000 for the four month period ending September 30, 1977 and would offset the fuel cost increase created by the P.I.T. filing.

2. The utility's initial proposal as submitted by Advice Letter No. 1078 would spread the rate increase on a uniform cents per therm basis for all sales including lifeline.

3. The utility's revised proposal as submitted by Advice Letter No. 1078, Supplemental reflects a revised rate design which increases the wholesale rates by the system average increase of 0.583 cents per therm or equivalent with the remainder of the increase being assigned on a uniform 0.894 cents per therm to all general service usage in excess of 300 therms and all other retail rates, and no increase to general service usage of 300 therms, or less, including Schedule G-30.

4. Any over or under collections resulting from different FPC action than anticipated being placed in the balancing account for adjustment at subsequent PGA filings.

5. Since the filing of these Advice Letters, the Commission has granted Decision No. 87587, which granted additional rate relief to SoCal as well as restructuring the utility's rate schedules. Therefore, SoCal is in the process of submitting revised substitute tariff sheets to place this rate increase on top of those rates granted by Decision No. 87587.

6. We find that the revised rate increase, as presented by Advice Letter No. 1078, Supplemental is more consistent with the Commission's views on rate design; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Advice Letter No. 1078 and accompanying tariff sheets be rejected and that authority be granted under Sections 454, 491 and 701 of the Public Utilities Code for SoCal to place Advice Letter No. 1078, Supplemental and accompanying tariff sheets and/or subsequent substitute tariff sheets be placed into effect this date or upon receipt of the subsequent substitute tariff sheets, whichever date is later.

2. The appropriate tariff sheets and/or subsequent substitute tariff sheets be marked to show that they were either approved or rejected by Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-2119. 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 19th day of July, 1977, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: