

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. G-2146

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.....to Executive Director

R E S O L U T I O N

UTILITIES DIVISION

BRANCH/SECTION: Gas

DATE: September 27, 1977

.....Director

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.....Accounting Officer

SUBJECT: Order Authorizing PGA Rate Increase

WHEREAS: SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION, by Advice Letter No. 187, filed August 19, 1977, having requested authority to file revised tariff schedules, applicable to its Placer County rate area, in order to track increased cost of gas, as set forth on Cal. P.U.C. Sheets Nos. 1475-G to 1479-G, inclusive, under the following conditions:

1. The proposed rate revision of 5.618 cents per therm for all nonlifeline rates will result in an annual revenue increase of \$166,667, which will offset the increased cost of purchased gas from the utility's supplier, Northwest Pipeline Corporation in its semi-annual PGAC filing in Docket No. RP 72-154.

2. For a typical residential customer under lifeline rate schedules, using 70 therms in the summer months and 200 therms in the winter months, the bill will increase \$2.48 from \$32.64 to \$35.12 in the summer and by \$3.36 from \$71.32 to \$74.69 in the winter.

3. For a commercial customer, under nonlifeline rate schedules, using the same volumes, the bill will increase \$3.94 from \$34.93 to \$38.87 in the summer and by \$11.23 from \$91.93 to \$103.16 in the winter.

4. In the event that the FPC rejects or amends Northwest's filing in Docket RP 72-154, Southwest will file substitute tariff sheets to reflect approved rate levels.

5. This requested rate increase is found to be reasonable; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Authority be granted under Sections 454, 491 and 701 of the Public Utilities Code, and under the provisions of Decision No. 86989, to place the above tariff sheets or subsequent substitute tariff sheets into effect on October 1, 1977, or on any subsequent date that the FPC might require Northwest's filing to become effective, whichever date is later.

2. The above tariff sheets and/or any subsequent substitute tariff sheets be marked to show that they were issued under Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-2146. 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 27th day of September, 1977, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: