PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION

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UTILITIES DIVISION BRANCH/SECTION: Gas DATE: April 18, 1978

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> SUBJECT: Request to Provide Additional Natural Gas Service in Excess of 50 Mcfd to Two Fruit-Drying Customers

WHEREAS: PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY, by Advice Letters Nos. 983-G and 986-G, filed March 29, 1978 and March 30, 1978 respectively, has requested approval under the provision of Decision No. 85189 to supply: Chooljian Brothers in Sanger, Fresno County; and Mitchell C. Mirassou in Live Oak, Sutter County with new and additional gas in excess of 50 Mcfd under the following circumstances:

1. The Applicants' requests for supply are both for the operation of fruit dehydrators and the existing and new consumptions are listed below:

	Existing	Additional	New Total
Applicant	Mcfd	Mefd	Mcfd
Chooljian Brothers	420	112	532
Mitchell Mirassou		96	96

2. Fuel oil cannot be used to dry fruit since products of combustion could contaminate or damage the food product; and the industry is currently awaiting construction of a "proof-of-concept" commercial size solar fruit dryer.

3. Both Applicants meet the criteria for FERC Priority 2 classification (Docket No. RP72-6) and to deny service to either of these customers or other customers with similar direct-fired uses would reduce gas entitlements to California, and

WHEREAS: We find that both of these requests should be granted and that each Applicant should be classified in Priority 2A and Priority 1, respectively under the end-use criteria adopted in Decision No. 85189; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Under the provisions of Decision No. 85189, Pacific Gas & Electric Company is authorized to supply the requested service to Chooljian Brothers and to Mitchell C. Mirassou effective April 28, 1978 and April 29, 1978, respectively.

2. Each of the above advice letters is to be marked to show that it was accepted for filing under Resolution of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California No. G-2208. 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 <u>18th</u> day of <u>April</u>, <u>1978</u>, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: