## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION NO. G-2245** 

UTILITIES DIVISION BRANCH/SECTION: Gas DATE: September 19, 1978

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SUBJECT: Request to Provide Additional Natural Gas Service in Excess of 50 Mcfd on Less than Statutory Notice

WHEREAS: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, by Advice Letter No. 1150, filed August 28, 1978 has requested Commission approval under the provisions of Decision No. 85189 and under Section 491 of the Public Utilities Code, to supply additional natural gas in excess of 50 Mcfd to Rosedale Coop Gin (Applicant) in Bakersfield, Kern County, on less that statutory notice under the following circumstances:

1. Applicant's request is for an additional peak daily consumption of 132 Mcf raising its existing peak daily consumption from 240 Mcf to 372 Mcf.

2. Applicant will use this additional gas to expand its cotton gin operation by installing three new direct-fired drying burners.

3. Fuel oil cannot be used in this direct fired process because it would cause discoloration and contamination of the product.

4. Applicant's seasonal energy requirements are insufficient to provide economies suitable for a cogeneration system, and solar energy cannot contribute measurably to this high volume, twenty-four-hour a day operation.

5. Applicant meets the criteria for FERC Priority 2 classification (Docket No. RP72-6). To deny service to this customer or other customers with direct fired uses would reduce gas entitlements to California.

6. In order to serve this added load, the utility must change the metering facilities.

7. Authorization on less than statutory notice is requested in order to allow service at a timely date in anticipation of the start of the drying season.

8. The staff recommends approval, and,

WHEREAS: We find that this request should be granted and that the Applicant should be classified in Priority 2A under the end-use criteria adopted in Decision No. 85189; therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Authority is hereby granted under the provisions of Decision No. 85189 and under Section 491 of the Public Utilities Code to Southern California Gas Company to supply the requested service to Rosedale Coop Gin effective this date.

2. The above advice letter shall be marked to show that it was accepted for filing by Resolution No. G-2245 of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California. 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 <u>September</u>, 1978, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon: