

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
(WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION)

In the Matter of the Application of )  
THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY )  
to Amend Its Present Certificate of )  
Public Convenience and Necessity to )  
Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to )  
Encompass the Towns of Rosalia, St. )  
John, LaCrosse and Environs in Whit-)  
man County, Washington )  
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CAUSE NO. U-9288

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

By application filed with the Commission on May 10, 1961, the applicant, The Washington Water Power Company, seeks to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to include the towns of Rosalia, St. John and LaCrosse, Whitman County, Washington, and environs. Applicant at present is certificated to operate gas plants for hire in various cities including Pullman and Colfax located in Whitman County and in the general vicinity of the areas requested above.

The Washington Water Power Company is the only company that has filed an application for a certificate to provide gas service in either Rosalia, St. John or LaCrosse. The Company has been granted franchises to operate a gas system by all three towns as well as the County of Whitman. Washington presently supplies electric service in all the areas for which it seeks certification in this Cause.

It is estimated the cost of constructing gas systems in the three towns and adjacent areas will be about \$110,000 the first year. The company plans on financing the proposed construction from treasury funds. Adequate supplies of natural gas will be obtained from its present supplier the El Paso Natural Gas Company via the new gas pipeline of the Pacific Gas Transmission Company, which pipeline passes close to all three towns.

The Commission realizes the economic feasibility of providing natural gas service as a separate operation to any of the towns might not be justified, because of the lack of any substantial industrial or commercial demand for gas service. We are also aware the future will probably offer limited demands for gas service in the three areas. However, since The Washington Water Power Company presently provides electric service in the areas and gas service near by, the company should be able to service the additional area with a minimum of expense. Accordingly, it would be in the public interest to have natural gas service made available in the Rosalia, St. John and LaCrosse areas by applicant.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Washington Water Power Company operates a gas plant for hire in this state and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

2. The Washington Water Power Company seeks to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in Spokane, Medical Lake, Cheney, Pullman, Clarkston, Colfax, Asotin and the general areas adjacent to those cities and towns to encompass the Towns of Rosalia, St. John, and LaCrosse, Whitman County, Washington and environs.

3. The areas sought to be incorporated into applicant's present certificate of convenience and necessity are in close proximity to its Pullman and Colfax, Washington, gas service areas.

4. At present there are no gas companies operating gas plants for hire in the requested areas.

5. There are no other applicants requesting certification for the areas sought by The Washington Water Power Company.

6. The Washington Water Power Company presently holds franchises from the Towns of Rosalia, St. John, and LaCrosse for the operation of gas plants for hire in those cities.

7. The Washington Water Power Company is capable of financing the installation of plant facilities to make gas service available in the areas sought to be certificated.

8. The Washington Water Power Company should be able to obtain an adequate supply of natural gas from El Paso Natural Gas Company via the Pacific Gas Transmission Company's pipeline.

9. The operation of a gas plant for hire by The Washington Water Power Company in the Rosalia, St. John and LaCrosse areas as proposed is or will be required by the public convenience and necessity and the company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity should be amended to include the requested areas.

#### ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED That the application of The Washington Water Power Company to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire be amended to encompass the following additional area:

(a) All of the incorporated area comprising the Town of Rosalia and additional portions of Whitman County, Washington, adjacent thereto lying within the described area as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Sec. 23, T 20 N, R 43 E, E. M; thence westerly along the south lines of Secs. 23, 22, 21, and 20, T 20 N, R 43 E to the southwest corner of Sec. 20; thence northerly along the west lines of Sec. 20, 17, 8, and fractional Sec. 5, T 20 N, R 43 E to the northwest corner of fractional Sec. 5; thence easterly along the north lines of fractional Secs. 5, 4, 3, and 2, T 20 N, R 43 E to the northeast corner of fractional Sec. 2; thence southerly along the east lines of fractional Sec. 2, Secs. 11, 14, and 23, T 20 N, R 43 E to the point of beginning.

as shown on Appendix A-7 attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

(b) All of the incorporated area comprising the Town of St. John and additional portions of Whitman County, Washington, adjacent thereto lying within the described area as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Sec. 32, T 19 N, R 42 E, W. M.; thence southerly along the east line of Sec. 32, T 19 N, R 42 E, and along the east lines of Secs. 5 and 8, T 18 N, R 42 E, to the southeast corner of Sec. 8; thence westerly along the south lines of Secs. 8 and 7, T 18 N, R 42 E, and along the south lines of Secs. 12 and 11, T 18 N, R 41 E to the southwest corner of Sec. 11; thence northerly along the west lines of Secs. 11 and 2, T 18 N, R 41 E, and along the west line of Sec. 35, T 19 N, R 41 E to the northwest corner of Sec. 35; thence easterly along the north lines of Secs. 35 and 36, T 19 N, R 41 E, and along the north lines of Secs. 31 and 32, T 19 N, R 42 E to the point of beginning.

as shown on Appendix A-8 attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

(c) All of the incorporated area comprising the Town of LaCrosse and additional portions of Whitman County, Washington, adjacent thereto lying within the described area as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Sec. 36, T 16 N, R 39 E, W. M.; thence southerly along the east line of Sec. 36, and along the east lines of Secs. 1 and 12, T 15 N, R 39 E, to the southeast corner of Sec. 12; thence westerly along the south lines of Secs. 12, 11, and 10, T 15 N, R 39 E, to the southwest corner of Sec. 10; thence northerly along the west lines of Secs. 10 and 3, T 15 N, R 39 E, and along the west line of Sec. 34, T 16 N, R 39 E, to the northwest corner of Sec. 34; thence east along the north lines of Secs. 34, 35, and 36, T 16 N, R 39 E, to the point of beginning.

as shown on Appendix A-9 attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued pursuant to Order paragraph No. 1 above, supersedes and cancels Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 6, issued to The Washington Water Power Company on the 2nd day of April, 1959, in Cause No. U-9115. Said certificate of April 2, 1959, should be forthwith returned to the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That the certificate issued pursuant to Order paragraph No. 1 above is subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the orders in Cause No. U-8889, effective October 19, 1956; Cause Nos. U-9021, U-9022 and U-9023, effective May 5, 1958; Cause No. U-9052, effective August 21, 1958; Cause No. U-9115, effective April 2, 1959.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That jurisdiction over this cause is retained to effectuate the provisions of this order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 9th day of October, 1961.

WASHINGTON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
(WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION)

FRANCIS PEARSON, Chairman

PATRICK D. SUTHERLAND, Commissioner

DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

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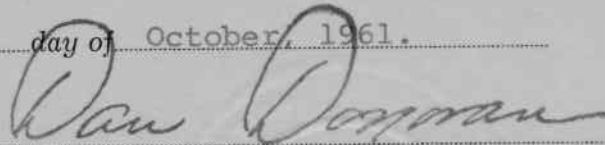
## Certificate

STATE OF WASHINGTON, }  
                                  } ss.  
COUNTY OF THURSTON. }

I hereby certify that the foregoing and attached document is a full, true and correct copy of original Order Granting Application, dated October 9, 1961, in Cause No. 9288, In the Matter of the Application of THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY to Amend Its Present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to Encompass the Towns of Rosalia, St. John, LaCrosse and Environs in Whitman County, Washington,

now on file in the office of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission at Olympia.

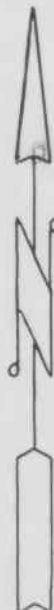
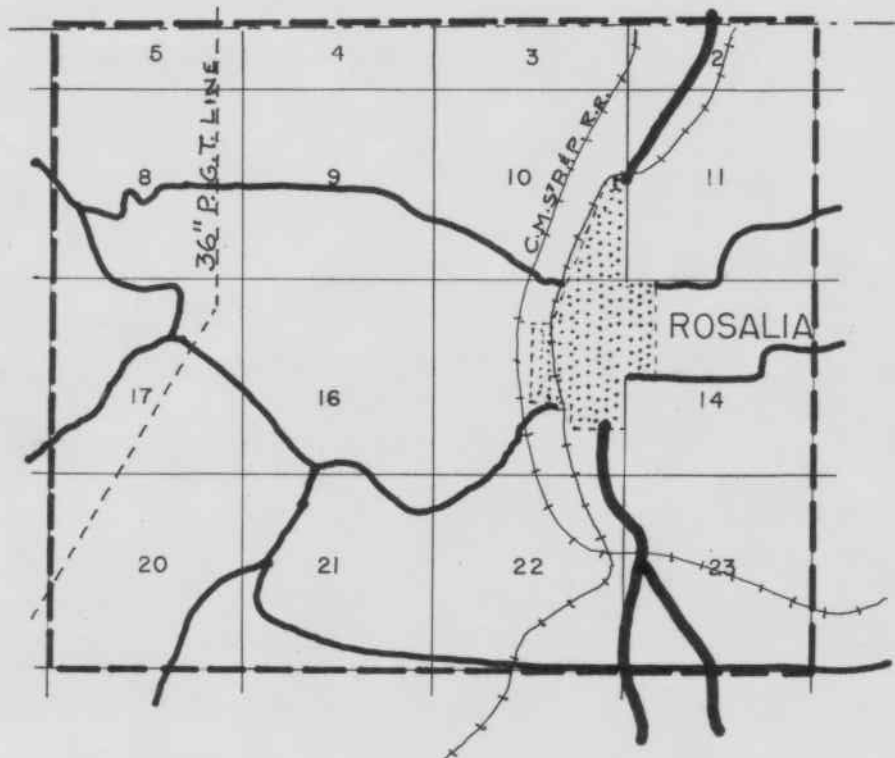
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, this 9th day of October, 1961.



Secretary of the Washington Utilities  
and Transportation Commission

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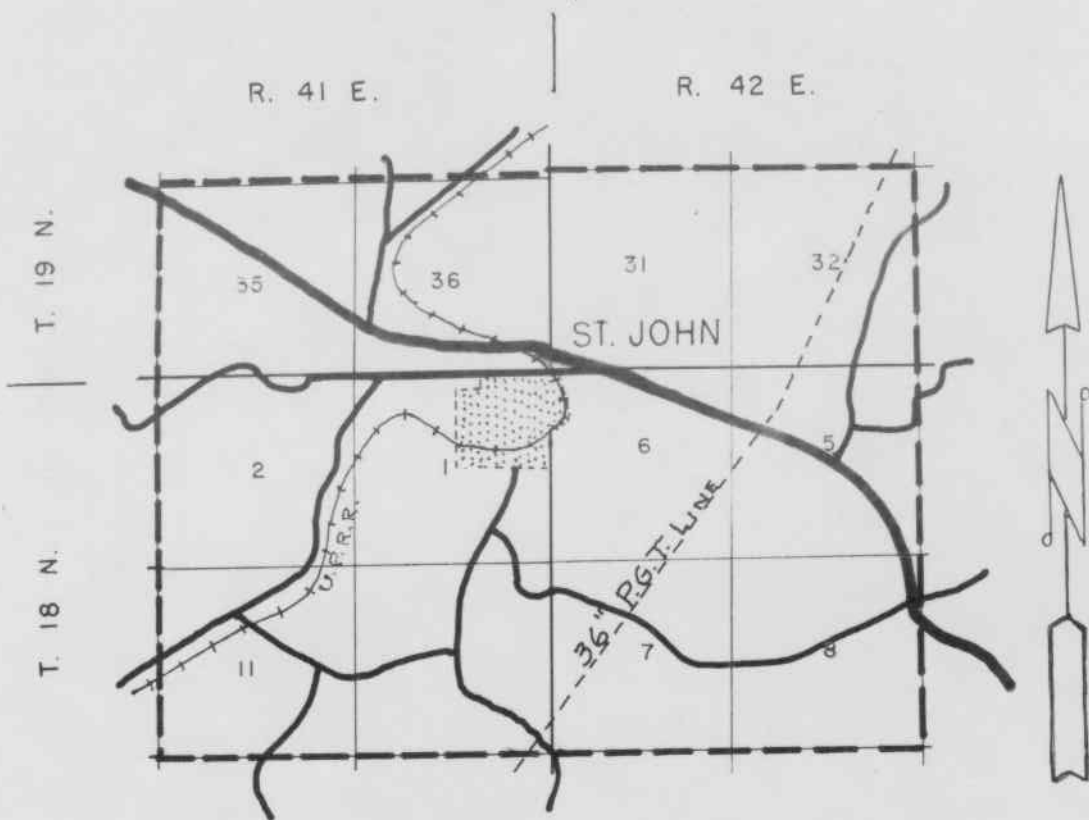
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(ROSALIA AND VICINITY—WHITMAN COUNTY)

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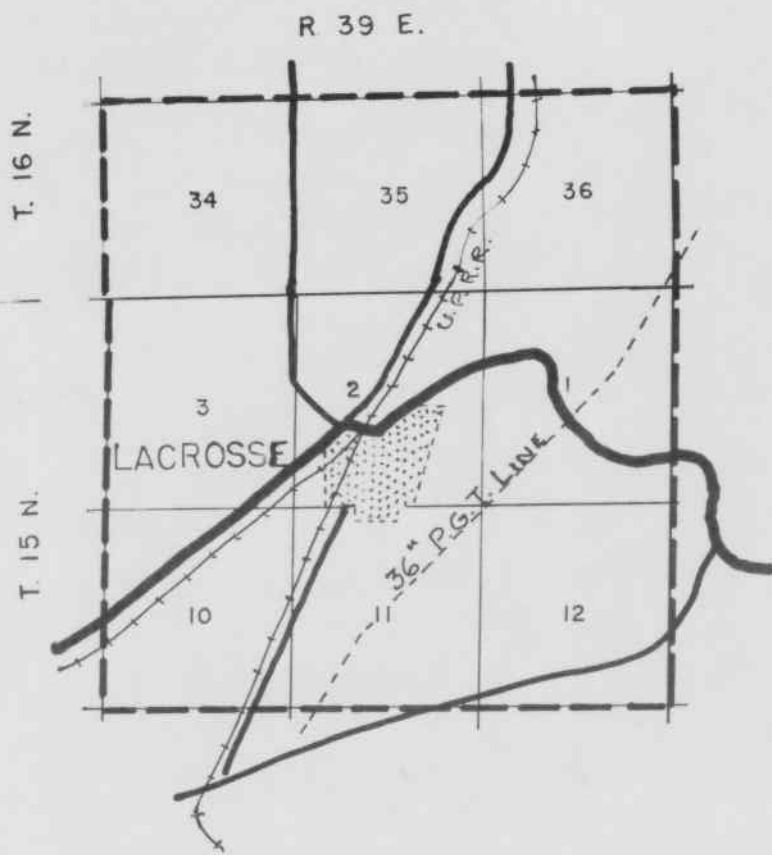
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APPENDIX A-9  
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