

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)
THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY)
for a Certificate of Public Conven-)
ience and Necessity to Operate a Gas)
Plant for Hire in the general area)
or areas of Spokane County, City of)
Spokane, Medical Lake, Millwood,)
Cheney, Airway Heights and suburban)
areas adjacent thereto.)
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CAUSE NO. U-9591

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

On February 9, 1965, The Washington Water Power Company filed an application to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to include additional areas in Spokane County, Washington. The company presently holds Certificate No. 6 (amended) issued on October 9, 1961, in Cause No. U-9288.

In the present application Washington requests that its presently certificated area in Spokane County be enlarged to include an additional area north of Spokane, a small strip of land north and east of Medical Lake which is presently enclosed within the company's certificated area and about three sections of land southeast of Spangle. Located in the latter area is the Upper Columbia River Academy, an institution that desires natural gas service. Washington presently provides electric service in all the areas it seeks certification for in this Cause.

In its application the company states while it presently has no immediate plans for extending its gas distribution system into the additional areas it seeks in Spokane County, which are contiguous to its present certificated area, it expects the normal extension of its distribution system will soon make it possible to economically serve the requested areas. The company states the Upper Columbia Academy can be served off the main gas pipeline of the Pacific Gas Transmission Company with an investment of about \$22,500. With an estimated annual revenue of \$12,000, the company's plan to serve the Academy appears to be economically sound. The necessary line extension will be financed from treasury funds.

Since The Washington Water Power Company is the only gas distribution company certificated and providing natural gas service in the vicinity of the additional areas requested in the present application, we believe it will be in the public interest to approve that company's application for certification of additional areas in Spokane County.

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 presently holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 6 (amended) issued in Cause No. U-9288, dated October 9, 1961.

3. 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 additional areas in Spokane County, Washington.

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 additional areas sought by The Washington Water Power Company.

6. The Washington Water Power Company is fully capable of financing the installation of gas facilities to make gas service available in the additional areas it seeks.

7. The operation of a gas plant for hire by The Washington Water Company in the additional areas applied for in this Cause 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.

O R D E R

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 additional areas in Spokane County is approved as follows:

All of the incorporated area comprising the City of Spokane and additional portions of Spokane County adjacent thereto lying within the area described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of fractional Sec. 7, T. 26 N., R. 46 E.; thence south along the boundary between the States of Washington and Idaho to the southeast corner of fractional Sec. 30, T. 24 N., R. 46 E.; thence west along the south lines of said fractional Sec. 30, Sec. 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, T. 24 N., R. 45 E., Sec. 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, T. 24 N., R. 44 E., Sec. 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, T. 24 N., R. 43 E., and Sec. 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, T. 24 N., R. 42 E., to the southwest corner of said Sec. 29; thence south along the east lines of Sec. 31, T. 24 N., R. 42 E., and Sec. 6, 7, 18 and 19, T. 23 N., R. 42 E., to the southeast corner of said Sec. 19; thence west along the south lines of Sec. 19, T. 23 N., R. 42 E., and Sec. 24, 23, and 22, T. 23 N., R. 41 E., to the southwest corner of said Sec. 22, and north along the west line of said Sec. 22 to its northwest corner;

thence west along the south line of Sec. 16, T. 23 N., R. 41 E., to its southwest corner, and north along the west line of said Sec. 16, to its northwest corner; thence west along the south line of Sec. 8, T. 23 N., R. 41 E., to its southwest corner, and north along the west line of said Sec. 8 to its northwest corner; thence west along the south line of Sec. 6, T. 23 N., R. 41 E., to its southwest corner, and north along the west line of said Sec. 6 to its northwest corner; thence west along the south line of Sec. 36, T. 24 N., R. 40 E., to its southwest corner, and north along the west line of said Sec. 36 to its northwest corner; thence west along the south line of Sec. 26, T. 24 N., R. 40 E., to its southwest corner; thence north along the west lines of Sec. 26, 23, 14 and 11, T. 24 N., R. 40 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 11; thence east along the north lines of Sec. 11 and 12, T. 24 N., R. 40 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 12; thence north along the west lines of Sec. 6, T. 24 N., R. 41 E., Sec. 31, 30, 19, 18, 7 and 6, T. 25 N., R. 41 E., and Sec. 31, 30, 19, 18 and 7, T. 26 N., R. 41 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 7; thence east along the north lines of Sec. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, T. 26 N., R. 41 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 12; thence north along the west line of Sec. 6, T. 26 N., R. 42 E., to its northwest corner, and east along the north line of said Sec. 6 to its northeast corner; thence north along the west line of Sec. 32, T. 27 N., R. 42 E., to its intersection with the boundary between Spokane and Stevens Counties; thence easterly and north along said boundary to the north line of Sec. 20, T. 27 N., R. 42 E.; thence east along the north lines of Sec. 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, T. 27 N., R. 42 E., and Sec. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, T. 27 N., R. 43 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 24; thence south along the east lines of Sec. 24, 25 and 36, T. 27 N., R. 43 E., and Sec. 1, T. 26 N., R. 43 E., to the southeast corner of said Sec. 1; thence east along the north lines of Sec. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, T. 26 N., R. 44 E., Sec. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, T. 26 N., R. 45 E., and fractional Sec. 7, T. 26 N., R. 46 E., to the northeast corner of said fractional Sec. 7, the point of beginning.

Also that portion of Spokane County described as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of Sec. 10, T. 22 N., R. 43 E.; thence east along the north lines of Sec. 10 and 11 to the northeast corner of said Sec. 11; thence south along the east lines of Sec. 11 and 14 to the southeast corner of Sec. 14; thence west along the south line of Sec. 14 to its southwest corner; thence north along the west line of Sec. 14 to its northwest corner; thence west along the south line of Sec. 10 to its southwest corner; thence north along the west line of Sec. 10 to its northwest corner, the point of beginning,

as shown on Appendix A-1 (amended) attached hereto and made a part hereof.

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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 9th day of October, 1961, in Cause No. U-9288. Said certificate of October 9, 1961, 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; and Cause No. U-9288, effective October 9, 1961.

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 26th day of February, 1965.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FRANCIS PEARSON, Chairman

PATRICK D. SUTHERLAND, Commissioner

DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

Certificate

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

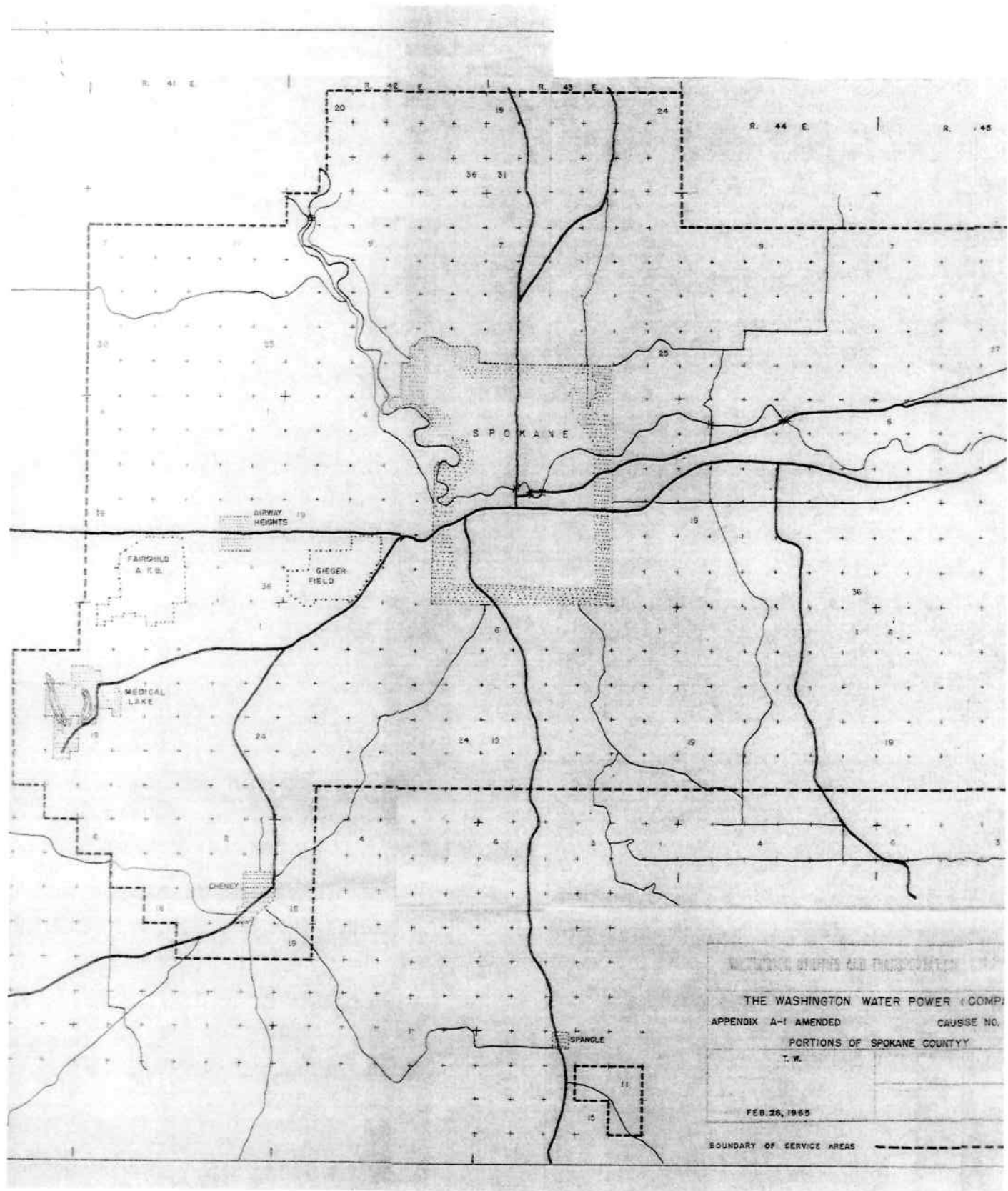
I hereby certify that the foregoing and attached document is a full, true and correct copy of Order Granting Application, dated February 26, 1965, in Cause No. U-9591, In the Matter of the Application of THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in the general area or areas of Spokane County, City of Spokane, Medical Lake, Millwood, Cheney, Airway Heights and suburban areas adjacent thereto,

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 26th day of February, 1965.

(Mrs.) Caryl Reilly

Acting Secretary of the Washington Utilities
and Transportation Commission



THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY
 APPENDIX A-1 AMENDED CAUSE NO. _____
 PORTIONS OF SPOKANE COUNTY
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 FEB. 26, 1965

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Lee C. White, Chairman; L. J. O'Connor, Jr.,
Charles R. Ross, David S. Black, and Carl E. Bagge.

El Paso Natural Gas Company) Docket No. CP66-243

FINDINGS AND ORDER AFTER STATUTORY HEARING ISSUING
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

(Issued April 8, 1966)

On January 28, 1966, El Paso Natural Gas Company (Applicant) filed in Docket No. CP66-243 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the sale and delivery of natural gas to The Washington Water Power Company (Water Power), an existing customer, for transportation to and resale and general distribution in the community of Medical Lake, Washington, and environs, as more fully set forth in the application.

Deliveries of natural gas to Water Power will be made at the outlet of Applicant's existing Eastern State Hospital and Lakeland Meter Station, and no additional facilities are to be constructed by Applicant. Water Power will transport the gas to the point of resale and distribution in the community of Medical Lake, Washington.

Applicant estimates that the proposed service will require third year peak day and annual requirements of 277 Mcf and 29,368 Mcf of natural gas, respectively. These proposed sales to Water Power will be initiated on a firm basis in accordance with the applicable service agreement then in effect between Applicant and Water Power and at rates contained in Applicant's Rate Schedule DS-1, FPC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 3.

Applicant states that if the instant application is approved prior to the grant of authorization sought by it in its filing in Docket No. CP66-27, the service embraced by the instant application will be divested by Applicant to Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest), pursuant to the proposal in the application in Docket No. CP66-27 and the complementary filing by Northwest in Docket No. CP66-28. Those filings contemplate the divestiture of certain facilities and service by Applicant to Northwest.

Due notice of the filing of the application was published in the Federal Register on February 16, 1966 (31 FR 2800). No protest, petition to intervene or notice of intervention has been filed in this proceeding.

At a hearing held on April 7, 1966, the Commission on its own motion received and made a part of the record in this proceeding all evidence, including the application and exhibits, submitted in support of the authorization sought herein, and upon consideration of the record,

The Commission finds:

(1) Applicant, El Paso Natural Gas Company, a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in El Paso, Texas, is a "natural-gas company" within the meaning of the Natural Gas Act as heretofore found by the Commission in its order issued October 29, 1942, in Docket Nos. G-242 and G-257 (3 FPC 851).

(2) The proposed sale of increased volumes of natural gas hereinbefore described, as more fully described in the application in this proceeding, is to be a sale for resale in interstate commerce subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission and is subject to the requirements of Subsections (c) and (e) of Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

(3) Applicant is able and willing properly to do the acts and to perform the service proposed and to conform to the provisions of the Natural Gas Act and the requirements, rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

(4) The sale of increased volumes of natural gas, as proposed in the application, is required by the public convenience and necessity, and a certificate therefor should be issued as hereinafter ordered and conditioned.

(5) Public convenience and necessity require that the certificate hereinafter issued and the rights granted thereunder be conditioned upon Applicant's compliance with all applicable Commission Regulations under the Natural Gas Act and particularly the general terms and conditions set forth in paragraphs (a), (b), (c)(3) and (e) of Section 157.20 of said Regulations.

The Commission orders:

(A) A certificate of public convenience and necessity is issued to Applicant, El Paso Natural Gas Company, authorizing the sale of increased volumes of natural gas, as hereinbefore described and as more fully described in the application in this proceeding, upon the terms and conditions of this order.

(B) The certificate issued by paragraph (A) above and the rights granted thereunder are conditioned upon Applicant's compliance with all applicable Commission Regulations under the Natural Gas Act and particularly the general terms and conditions set forth in paragraphs (a), (b), (c)(3) and (e) of Section 157.20 of such Regulations.

(C) The sale of increased volumes of natural gas authorized in paragraph (A) above shall commence, as provided by paragraph (b) of Section 157.20 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act, within one year from the date of this order.

(D) Applicant shall file a revised service agreement with Water Power to include the community of Medical Lake, Washington, under Applicant's Rate Schedule DS-1, FPC Tariff, Original Volume No. 3, to reflect the deliveries herein authorized pursuant to Section 154.22 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act.

By the Commission.

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Joseph H. Gutride,
Secretary.