

Decision No. 40716

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of rules and regulations governing notice to patrons of repairs, etc., of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company and Southern California Telephone Company.

Case No. 4809.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This proceeding was instituted on the Commission's own motion pursuant to Decision No. 38513, dated December 14, 1945, in Case No. 4801 for the purpose of determining whether any rules should be filed by The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company and Southern California Telephone Company^{1/} providing for notice to patrons whose service would be affected, of intention to repair, alter, rearrange, install or do any other work on equipment or facilities used in furnishing telephone service.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, on September 11, 1947, filed with this Commission a revised Rule and Regulation No. 26 to incorporate the following provision:

"B. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION FOR REPAIRS.

"The Company shall have the right to make necessary repairs or changes in its facilities at any time and will have the right to suspend or interrupt service temporarily for the purpose of making the necessary repairs or changes in its system. When such suspension or interruption of service for any appreciable period is necessary, the Company will give the customers who may be affected as reasonable notice thereof as circumstances will permit, and will prosecute the work with reasonable diligence and if practicable at times that will cause the least inconvenience.

"When the Company is repairing or changing its facilities, it shall take appropriate precautions to avoid unnecessary interruptions of conversations or subscriber's service."

^{1/} Effective on March 31, 1947 The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company and Southern California Telephone Company were merged, the Pacific Company being the surviving corporation pursuant to this Commission's Decision No. 39990, dated February 25, 1947, in Application No. 28201.

In view of the fact the Pacific Company now has filed the above-mentioned rule and it appearing to the Commission that it would be inadvisable and impracticable to devise a more detailed rule governing notice to be given patrons of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company of its intention to repair equipment or facilities, it is concluded that the above-entitled proceeding should be dismissed.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that Case No. 4809 is hereby dismissed.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of September, 1947.

Harold P. Kule

Justus F. Craven

Charles R. Kelle

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Commissioners.