

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 77896

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
)
 REDWOOD EMPIRE TELEPHONE COMPANY)
 (formerly San Miguel Telephone)
 Company of California))
)
 For authorization to issue and sell)
 up to 10,000 shares of its Common)
 Stock and up to 2,000 shares of its)
 Cumulative Preferred Stock, 9%)
 Series A.)
)

Application No. 52093
 First Supplemental
 Filed October 28, 1970

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

Ordering Paragraph No. 4 of Decision No. 77715, dated
 September 15, 1970, pertaining to Redwood Empire Telephone Company,
 reads as follows:

"4. Until completion of construction of the plant and projects described in its Rural Electrification Administration application pertaining to notes authorized by said Decision No. 77208, all expenditures by Redwood Empire Telephone Company shall be by checks signed by an official of applicant and also countersigned by a person acceptable to the Rural Electrification Administration and to this Commission, provided that no such countersignature shall be required on routine payroll checks to be paid out of a special payroll account from funds transferred thereto at regular intervals by countersigned checks."

Exhibit B, attached to the First Supplemental Application filed in the above-entitled matter, shows that Leland A. Dowden, a Certified Public Accountant, is agreeable to serving in the contemplated countersigning capacity upon the understanding that checks to be countersigned by him will be supported by approved invoices and will cover budgeted items. The First Supplemental Application shows that the Rural Electrification Administration regards said Leland A. Dowden as an acceptable countersigner.

After consideration the Commission finds that Leland A. Dowden is an acceptable countersigner for checks which Ordering Paragraph No. 4 of Decision No. 77715, dated September 15, 1970, requires to be countersigned. On the basis of this finding we conclude that the First Supplemental Application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

IT IS ORDERED that Leland A. Dowden is hereby approved as countersigner of Redwood Empire Telephone Company's checks subject to the conditions of Ordering Paragraph No. 4 of Decision No. 77715, provided that the countersigned checks shall be supported by approved invoices and shall cover budgeted items.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California,
this 4th day of NOVEMBER, 1970.

M. Williams Chairman
August
William J. ...
...
Vernon L. Sturgeon Commissioners