Decision No. 79195



BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for authority to establish ) Application No. 51113 extended area service between the Gualala )(Filed May 27, 1969; Exchange and the Point Arena Exchange and to )Amended January 5, 1970) withdraw message toll telephone service rates now in effect between said exchanges.

## MODIFICATION OF ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company filed on September 2, 1971, a petition for the modification of ordering paragraphs 1 and 2 of Decision No. 77368 in Application No. 51113: (1) to permit establishment of extended area telephone service between Point Arena and Gualala exchanges on October 6, 1971, (2) to withdraw message toll telephone rates between said exchanges and (3) to file the rate changes authorized by Decision No. 77368 upon termination of Executive Order No. 11615 of the President of the United States. Said Executive Order, announced August 15, 1971, imposed a freeze on price and wage increases for 90 days.

Authority to establish extended area service on October 6, 1971 and to withdraw toll rates between said exchanges is contained in Decision No. 77368. Because of said Executive Order we will herein extend the time at which said rate changes may be made effective.

Pacific should at the time of establishing extended area service notify each customer of the new service and that the previously authorized rate increases in Decision No. 77368 have been postponed because of Executive Order No. 11615. In the interim, present rates will remain in effect. The company should also notify each customer at the time the delayed rate increase is made effective.

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IT IS ORDERED that ordering paragraph 2 of Decision No. 77368 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2. After not less than five days'notice to the public and to this Commission and after termination of the freeze on price increases imposed by Executive Order No. 11615, of the President of the United States, Pacific shall make effective, in Point Arena and Gualala Exchanges, tariffs revised to reflect the rate changes set forth in Exhibit B attached to the amended application herein. Coincidentally with the establishment of the authorized extended area service Pacific shall cancel and withdraw message toll telephone rates in effect for messages between said exchanges. The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco , California, this day of SEDTEMBER , 1971.

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Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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