

Decision No. 79532**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of General Telephone Company of California, a corporation, for authority to increase its rates and charges for telephone service.

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the rates, tolls, rules, charges, operations, separations, practices, contracts, service and facilities of General Telephone Company of California.

Application No. 51904
(Filed May 15, 1970)
(Amended July 17, 1970)

Case No. 9100
(Filed August 4, 1970)

OPINION AND ORDER MAKING
DECISION NO. 79431 APPLICABLE
TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD IN
APPLICATION NO. 51904 AND
CASE NO. 9100 AND DENYING STAY

On November 26, 1971, the City of Long Beach, interested party in the above-entitled proceedings, filed a Petition for Rehearing and Stay of Decision No. 79367. On November 30, 1971, the Commission issued Decision No. 79431 in these proceedings granting rehearing, denying stay, and providing for collection of increased rates subject to refund. The order in Decision No. 79431 granted rehearing of Decision No. 79367 "limited to the issue of the appropriate allowance for tax depreciation to be adopted for ratemaking purposes herein; ..."

On December 6, 1971, subsequent to the issuance of Decision No. 79431, the City of Los Angeles, interested party, filed in these proceedings a Petition for Rehearing and Stay of Decision No. 79367,

alleging that there was a failure to hold an evidentiary hearing on appropriate depreciation allowances to be used in determining applicant's rates.

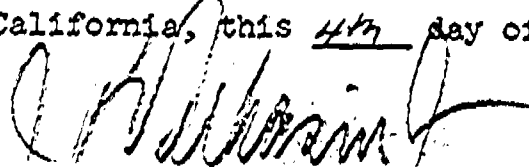
The Commission finds that the grounds advanced by the City of Los Angeles in its petition for rehearing are indistinguishable from those advanced by the City of Long Beach in its earlier petition. The Commission further finds that the limited rehearing granted by Decision No. 79431 fully meets the request for rehearing set forth in the petition filed by the City of Los Angeles.

In issuing Decision No. 79431, it was, and is, the Commission's intention that the limited rehearing granted therein be applicable to all parties of record in these proceedings. The filing by the City of Los Angeles of its petition, however, evidences a need that this intention be made the subject of a clarifying order.

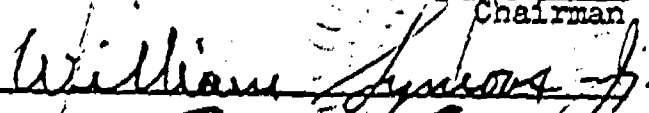
IT IS ORDERED that the limited rehearing of Decision No. 79367 granted in Decision No. 79431 is applicable to all parties of record in these proceedings and that no action need therefore be taken with respect to the petition for rehearing filed on December 6, 1971, by the City of Los Angeles.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the petition for stay of Decision No. 79367 filed by the City of Los Angeles is hereby denied, the increased rates authorized by said decision having been ordered to be collected subject to refund as provided in Decision No. 79431.


Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4th day of JANUARY, 1972.

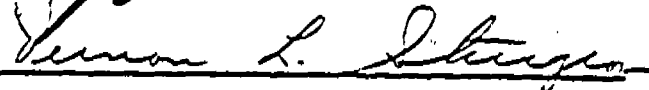


 Chairman




 William J. Lyons





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