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Decision No. 80136

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE
AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for authority
to establish three district areas
within the Bakersfield Exchange to
be designated Main District Area,
North District Area and South
District Area and to establish
Extended Area Service between the
Arvin Exchange and the proposed Main
and South District Areas.

Application No. 51490
Filed November 18, 1969

ORDER EXTENDING TIME

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (Pacific), by petition filed March 22, 1972, has petitioned to have the time within which to comply with the provisions of Decision No. 78308, dated February 17, 1971, extended from March 9, 1973 to June 30, 1973. In order fully to comply with ordering paragraph 1 of the decision, Pacific represents that approximately 800 main stations must be transferred from the Bakersfield Main to the Bakersfield West wire center in order to get them into the proper rate district. As this will result in telephone number changes, Pacific states that, to insure the best service, the move should be coincident with the publication of a new edition of the Bakersfield directory. Due to present central office limitations the move cannot be made coincident with the publication of the June, 1972 Bakersfield directory, but with the installation and availability of additional equipment by January, 1973, it can be made coincident with the publication of the June, 1973 Bakersfield directory, if the requested time extension is granted.

The City of Arvin, by letter, has protested granting approval of the requested time extension on the basis that approximately 1,483 subscribers in Arvin must continue paying toll for the

additional time instead of having the benefits of extended service for that period. However, not granting the extension will mean twice changing the service arrangements and rates to some 800 Bakersfield customers, which is unreasonable.

It appearing to the Commission that this request should be granted; therefore,

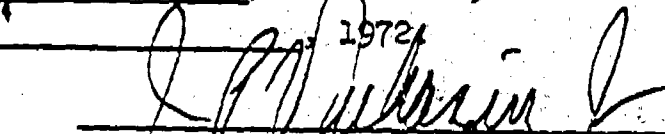
IT IS ORDERED that ordering paragraph 2 of Decision No. 78308 is modified to read as follows:

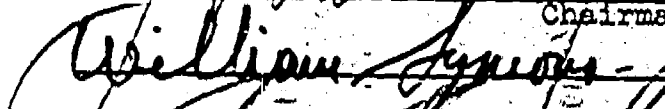
"2. Pacific is hereby authorized, coincidentally with the aforesaid districting, to establish extended area telephone service between the Arvin exchange and the Main and South District Areas of the Bakersfield exchange by June 30, 1973."

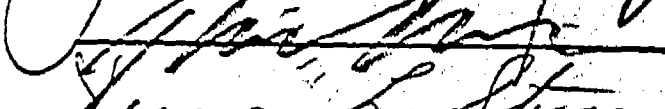
The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

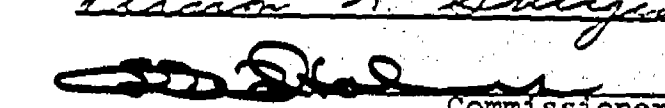
Dated at San Francisco, California, this

7th day of UNE, 1972



Chairman






Commissioners