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Decision No. 81271

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Application of COOK'S TELEPHONE ANSWERING AND RADIO, INC. for authority to terminate its offering or providing of Radiotelephone Utility Services.

Application No. 53847 (Filed February 16, 1973)

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

Cook's Telephone Answering and Radio, Inc. (Cook's) is a California corporation which is authorized by this Commission to provide certain radiotelephone utility services in and around Fresno, California, under the so-called grandfather Decision No. 62156 dated June 20, 1961 in Application No. 42456.

Cook's has in the past furnished radio paging or one-way signaling service to subscribers in and around Fresno on the so-called low-band paging frequencies in the 30-40 MHz region under Federal Communications Commission licenses and in accordance with tariffs on file with this Commission. At the present time Cook's has no customers and no held orders.

The stock of Cook's is wholly owned by Donald R. Cook, who also wholly owns the stock of Fresno Mobile Radio, Inc. The latter corporation offers and provides common carrier one-way signaling or radio paging service in and around Fresno under tariffs on file with this Commission on a so-called Guardband frequency in the 150 MEz region. According to Cook's, the radio frequency signal coverage at 150 MHz is superior to that at 30-40 MHz, and the 150 MHz receiver equipment is more pleasing to subscribers. For those reasons all of the subscribers of the applicant have discontinued its service.

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Radiotelephone service is also available in the area authorized to be served by Cook's from Air Signal of California and from The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company. According to Cook's, there is no present or foreseeable public need, demand, or use for its public utility service.

The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require a continuation of Cook's service. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On the effective date of this order the operating authority and the duty to serve of Cook's Telephone Answering and Radio, Inc., as determined by Decision No. 62156 dated June 20, 1961, is revoked.

2. On the effective date of this order, all maps, rates, and rules on file with the Commission and covering the services referred to in the application are canceled and annulled.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

San Francisco Dated , California, this day of 1973.

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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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