

Decision No. 82229

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The California Farm Bureau Federation,  
a non-profit organization,

Complainant,

vs.

San Miguel Telephone Company of  
California,

Defendant.

Case No. 8855  
(Filed November 4, 1968)

In the Matter of the Application of  
San Miguel Telephone Company of  
California for authorization to  
borrow \$1,225,000, issue notes  
therefor and execute security  
instruments in connection therewith.

Application No. 51582  
(Filed December 29, 1969)

In the Matter of the Application of  
San Miguel Telephone Company of  
California for authorization to  
borrow \$1,225,000, issue notes  
therefor and execute security  
instruments in connection therewith.

Application No. 53576  
(Filed September 8, 1972;  
amended December 18, 1972)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 81222 dated April 3, 1973, the Commission ordered respondent Redwood Empire Telephone Company, its president, Joseph S. Ray, and/or its officers and directors to appear at a hearing to be held and show cause why respondent and each of its officers and directors have not complied with all the orders contained in Decision No. 77208 dated May 12, 1970 and why respondent and its officers and directors should not be held in contempt and be assessed

appropriate penalties and fines under applicable sections of Chapter 11 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code and more specifically Section 2113 of the Public Utilities Code.

For the assistance of the Commission, its staff conducted an investigation of the extent of the company's compliance with the requirements of Decision No. 77208. In conducting its investigation the staff reviewed materials in the Commission's formal files, met with company representatives at its Santa Rosa headquarters, and discussed pertinent matters with the company's attorney, William G. Fleckles.

Results of Staff Investigation

Since issuance of Decision No. 77208, Redwood has failed to file certain of the reports required by the ordering paragraphs of that decision or has not filed them on a timely basis. Some reports are currently delinquent. By letters dated April 16, 18, and May 11, 1973, the company substantially corrected its compliance deficiencies under this decision. In addition, Redwood's attorney, Mr. Fleckles, has been made a director of the corporation and among his responsibilities is one which is to insure the timely filing of reports ordered by the Commission. ✓

According to the staff, the Company has now substantially complied with the requirements of Decision No. 77208.

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Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the order to show cause re contempt issued in Decision No. 81222 is dismissed. ✓

The effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 1973.

Vernon L. Stinson  
President  
William J. ...  
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Commissioners