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Decision No. 83884

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA WILCO SUPPLY.

Complainant,

vs.

Case No. 9836

PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

Defendant.

INTERIM RELIEF

The complaint herein was filed on December 2, 1974, alleging certain billing and service problems between complainant and defendant. Two days after the complaint was filed, defendant issued notice to complainant that its service would be discontinued within five days if the outstanding bill was not paid. The Commission is informed that the present bill is over \$30,000.00. It would appear that complainant has refused to pay any telephone bills until its service problems have been rectified.

In its request for interim relief complainant alleges a Dun & Bradstreet rating of 1A2. It further asserts yearly sales in excess of four million dollars and net worth in excess of \$500,000.00.

The request for interim relief indicates that defendant has orally agreed to withhold any disconnect action until December 18, 1974, thereby allowing the Commission to consider the instant petition.

The Commission is of the opinion that good cause has been shown for granting interim relief.

IT IS ORDERED that defendant shall cease and desist from discontinuing telephone service to complainant for reasons of failure to pay charges pending outcome of the decision in this proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that complainant shall deposit with the Commission within 10 days of the date of this order a certified check payable to the State of California in the amount of \$30,000.00, the amount presently owed, and to deposit additional certified checks in payment of future bills as they accrue within 10 days of the receipt of such future bills.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that hearing in this matter shall be held before Examiner Fraser at the Commission Courtroom, State Building, 350 McAllister Street, San Francisco, California, on December 27, 1974, at 10:00 A.M.

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Commissioner Thomas Moran, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.