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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Fresno Cellular Telephone Company to increase its basic rates for cellular radio telecommunications services.

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Application 88-08-021 (Filed August 12, 1988)

And Related Matters.

Application 88-08-022 Application 88-08-023 Application 88-08-024 Application 88-08-025 Application 88-08-026 (Filed August 12, 1988)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Each of the six applicants to this consolidated proceeding sought rate increases by way of filing Advice Letters pursuant to the Commission's General Order 96-A. This Commission determined that the Advice Letter procedure was inappropriate at the present time. The requests were therefore refiled as formal applications.

A Prehearing Conference was set for September 7, 1988 in Sacramento. However, shortly before the hearing date each of the parties notified the Commission of its desire to withdraw its application. Only Sacramento-Valley Limited Partnership and PacTel Mobile Services gave reasons for their withdrawals. Both stated that "the issues of resale viability, retail margins and the appropriateness of establishing a market price should be addressed by the Commission in the forum of the future OII of the entire cellular industry and not in connection with a specific carrier's rate application." While such a proceeding may be ordered at a future date, no such OII (Order Instituting Investigation) has been issued at this time. However, since these companies do not appear

to <u>condition</u> their withdrawals on such a future contingency, there appears to be no impediment to the dismissal of these applications.

IT IS ORDERED that Application (A.)88-08-021,

A.88-08-022, A.88-08-023, A.88-08-024, A.88-08-025, and A.88-08-026 are dismissed without prejudice, effective today.

Dated ________, at San Francisco, California.

STANLEY W. HULETT Promident DONALD VIAL FREDERICK R. DUDA JOHN B. OFIANIAN Commissioners

Commissioner G. Mitchell Wilk being necessarily absent, did not participate.

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION WAS APPROVED BY THE ASOVE COMMISSIONERS TODAY.

VICTOR Weisser, Executive Director

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