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Decision No. _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation, for telephone service rate increases to cover increased costs in providing telephone service.

Application No. 55492
(Filed February 13, 1975;
amended April 19, 1975
and January 16, 1976)

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the rates, tolls, rules, charges, operations, costs, separations, inter-company settlements, contracts, service, and facilities of THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, a California corporation; and of all the telephone corporations listed in Appendix A, attached hereto.

Case No. 10001
(Filed November 12, 1975)

ORDER MODIFYING DECISION NO. 88232

Ordering Paragraph 19 in Decision No. 88232 reads as follows:

- "19. Within twenty-four months of the effective date of this order, Pacific shall replace its existing manually operated mobile systems with IMTS. [Improved Mobile Telephone Service.] Service to existing mobile stations not equipped for IMTS shall be terminated thirty-six months after the effective date of this order. Within sixty days of such effective date, Pacific shall notify its mobile service customers of such conversion."

Decision No. 88232 was issued on December 13, 1977 and effective on that date. As ordered, The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (Pacific) notified its mobile subscribers of the conversion to IMTS on December 13, 1979.

On July 12 of this year, Pacific filed a petition to modify the above ordering paragraph so that it may have until June 13, 1980 to make the conversion. Pacific's petition recites that it placed an order with an outside supplier for switching devices to accomplish the conversion to IMTS, which were supposed to be delivered on July 13, 1979, but subsequent information shows that the supplier cannot meet this delivery date. Pacific investigated the possibility of ordering alternate switching devices and was unable to procure any to meet the presently set deadline.

Pacific's petition was served on the parties to OII 20 (our investigation of mobile telephone service) as well as those to this proceeding. No filings in opposition to it have been received.

We find that Pacific has shown good cause for modification of our order and conclude that we should grant Pacific's petition to extend the date for conversion to June 13, 1980. Pacific should notify its mobile service customers of this modification.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Ordering Paragraph 19 of Decision No. 88232 is modified to read as follows:

"19. Prior to June 13, 1980, Pacific shall replace its existing manually operated mobile systems with IMTS. Service to existing mobile stations not equipped for IMTS shall be terminated thirty-six months after the effective date of this order. Within sixty days of such effective date, Pacific shall notify its mobile service customers of such conversion."

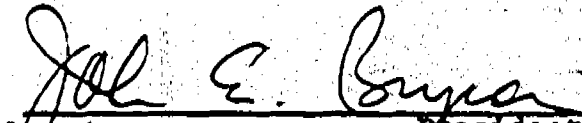
2. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company shall notify its mobile service customers in writing of this modification.

3. The Executive Director shall cause the parties to OII 20 to be served by mail with a copy of this decision.

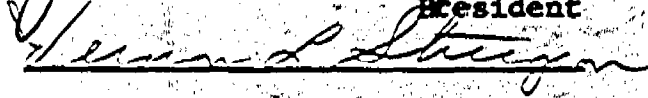
4. Further relief from our mobile telephone order in Decision No. 88232 shall be applied for in OII 20, or, if that proceeding is closed, by way of independent application.

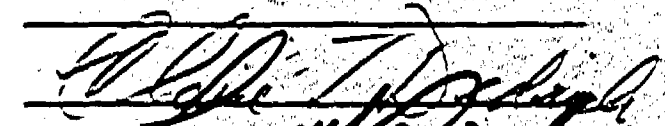
The effective date of this order shall be thirty days after the date hereof.


Dated AUG 14 1979, at San Francisco, California.



President






Commissioners

Commissioner Richard D. Gravelle, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.