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Decision No. 90836 SEP 25 1979

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation into the Requirements
for a General Order Providing Rules
Governing Construction of Underground
Electric and Communications Lines in
the State of California.

Case No. 8208
(Filed June 22, 1965)

ORDER MODIFYING DECISION NO. 73195

The Commission, in recognition of the increasing demand for underground electric and communications facilities in California and pursuant to Sections 761, 768 and 8056 of the Public Utilities Code, established General Order No. 128 by Decision No. 73195 on October 17, 1967 to govern the construction of underground electric and communications lines to promote and safeguard public health and safety.

A considerable part of G.O. 128 was organized as a broad foundation of general engineering principles on which it was expected the precision and detail which characterize older and more established engineering techniques would one day be added. In order to facilitate the inclusion of such standards in G.O. 128, the Commission stated in the ordering paragraph of Decision No. 73195 that:

"The electric and communications utilities subject to these rules, either individually or collectively, shall file annually on or before June 30 a report setting forth such recommended changes in rules as they deem necessary to keep this general order up to date in keeping with the purpose and scope thereof, or stating that no changes are deemed to be necessary."

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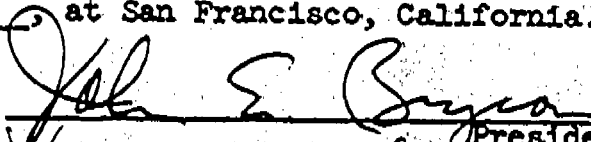
Since the date of enactment of Decision No. 73195, twelve years ago, only two changes have been made to General Order No. 128. In recognition of its ability to stand the test of time, and the desire to discontinue the required filing of non-productive reports by the utilities,

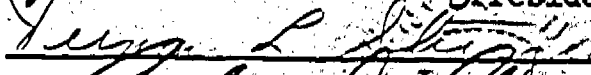
IT IS ORDERED that the annual report required of the electrical and communications utilities pursuant to the ordering paragraphs of Decision No. 73195 be terminated.


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


Dated SEP 25 1979


at San Francisco, California.



President








Commissioners