

Decision No. 90868 OCT 10 1979

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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, and its)
wholly-owned subsidiary, SOUTHERN)
CALIFORNIA TELEPHONE COMPANY, a)
corporation,)
for an order authorizing said cor-)
porations to merge into The Pacific)
Telephone and Telegraph Company)
pursuant to the provisions of)
Section 361 of the Civil Code of)
the State of California.)

Application No. 28201
(Filed February 10, 1947)
and
Petition for Modification
(Filed January 4, 1979)

ORDER DISMISSING PETITION TO MODIFY
DECISION NO. 39990

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (Pacific Telephone) in its petition to modify Decision No. 39990, dated February 25, 1947, requests authority to discontinue the maintenance of a separate set of books and related reports for its Southern California operating area and to consolidate bookkeeping on a state-wide basis.

Pacific Telephone on March 26, 1979 filed a written request to withdraw its petition to modify Decision No. 39990. Pacific Telephone indicates that it reconsidered this matter and believes that a letter dated November 2, 1978 from the Executive Director of the Commission is sufficient authorization for Pacific Telephone to discontinue maintaining a separate set of books and related reports for the Southern California operating area.

The Executive Director's letter of November 2, 1978 indicates that the Commission staff had no objection to the discontinuance of a separate set of books and related reports for the Southern California operating area. However, the letter indicates that it is the Executive Director's understanding that Pacific Telephone will continue to maintain plant information by district and location, and will retain

the capability of providing data by Extended Area when and as required, and that the change in accounting will not affect the auditability of Pacific Telephone's accounting records.

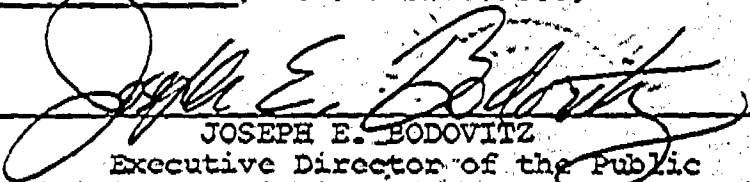
O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Modification of Decision No. 39990, filed on January 4, 1979 by The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company is withdrawn and this matter is dismissed.

This order is issued pursuant to Section 308 of the Public Utilities Code and Resolution No. A-4638.

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

Dated OCT 10 1979 , at San Francisco,
California.



JOSEPH E. BODOVITZ
Executive Director of the Public
Utilities Commission of the State of California