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Decision 97-09-109 September 24, 1997

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Alternative Regulatory Frameworks for Local Exchange Carriers.

And Related Matters. (IntraLATA Presubscription Phase) Investigation 87-11-033 (Filed November 25, 1987)

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Application 85-01-034 Application 87-01-002 Investigation 85-03-078 Case 86-11-028 Investigation 87-02-025 Case 87-07-024

O P I N I Ó N

Each of the above-captioned matters has been consolidated with the lead docket, Investigation (I.) 87-11-033 for many years. The basis for their original consolidation related to the fact that various issues in the then-pending general rate cases for Pacific Bell and GTE California (GTEC), as well as a variety of then-pending complaint and investigation proceedings, involved matters to be addressed in the generic New Regulatory Framework proceeding, I.87-11-033.

The Commission is now taking steps to clear out unnecessary and moot proceedings and more accurately reflect the duration and commitments associated with active dockets. It is clear that there are still various matters pending that are associated with L87-11-033 and are being considered in the consolidated docket. These include consideration of presubscription/equal access issues, various petitions for modification and applications for rehearing. However, it does not appear that any pending matters require the continuation of Application (A.) 85-01-034, A.87-01-002, L85-03-078, Case (C.) 86-11-028, L87-02-025 or C.87-07-024 as open dockets.

On June 26, 1997, a ruling was issued and served on all parties to the consolidated dockets describing a proposal to close all of the consolidated dockets except for I.87-11-033 and offering those parties the opportunity to comment on

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whether there is any reason to continue any of these dockets, other than L87-11-033, as open dockets. The only formal response received was from GTEC. GTEC's counsel stated that all of the dockets related to GTEC had been reviewed. Based on this review, GTEC concurred that there was no apparent reason to continue any of the identified dockets.

Based on the lack of any reason to continue to maintain these dockets, the enumerated dockets will be de-consolidated from I.87-11-033 and closed. Parties making future filings in I.87-11-033 shall not reflect the other matters in the caption.

Findings of Fact

1. The above-captioned matters were originally consolidated because various issues in the then-pending general rate cases for Pacific Bell and GTEC, as well as a variety of then-pending complaint and investigation proceedings, involved matters to be addressed in the generic New Regulatory Framework proceeding, 1.87-11-033.

2. The Commission is now taking steps to clear out unnecessary and moot proceedings and more accurately reflect the duration and commitments associated with active dockets.

3. A ruling was issued and served on all parties to the consolidated dockets providing an opportunity to indicate any reason to retain any of these dockets, other than 1.87-11-033, as open dockets and no party requested that they remain open.

Conclusion of Law

A.85-01-034, A.87-01-002, I.85-03-078, C.86-11-028, I.87-02-025 and C.87-07-024 should be closed.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Application (A.) 85-01-034, A.87-01-002, Investigation (I.) 85-03-078, Case (C.) 86-11-028, I.87-02-025 and C.87-07-024 are closed.

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2. Any subsequent filings related to I.87-11-033 shall not reflect these other matters in the caption.

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This order is effective today.

Dated September 24, 1997, at San Francisco, California.

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President P. Gregory Conlon, being necessarily absent, did not participate.