

Decision 98-05-043 May 21, 1998

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Rulemaking on the Commission's own motion to
revise General Order 77K.

Rulemaking 87-02-022
(Filed February 11, 1987)

OPINION

ORIGINAL

This rulemaking was initiated more than 12 years ago to consider the modification of General Order (G.O.) 77-K. G.O. 77-K requires utilities to annually file with the Commission information, depending on the size of the utility, concerning officers, employee compensation, dues, donations, subscriptions, contributions, and legal fees. The modification considered in this rulemaking is the inclusion in the reporting requirements of those employees of a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary of a public utility who perform work on behalf of a regulated utility and would come under the scope of the general order if they worked directly for the utility.

Since its initiation, the only activity that occurred in this docket was the filing of comments by six utilities in April 1987.

Subsequent to the commencement of this rulemaking, its subject matter has been pursued in other proceedings, both in terms of amendments to G.O. 77-K and in terms of accounting for the relationship of employees between a regulated utility and its parent, affiliates, or subsidiaries. Most recently the Commission instituted Rulemaking 98-03-014 to revise G.O. 77-K in light of changes in the regulation of a sector of the telecommunications industry.

It is apparent that whatever the merits of this proceeding when it was initiated several years ago, its limited record is now stale and the topic has been superseded by activities in other proceedings. In the event that this particular

topic would be pursued, it would undoubtedly be by way of a new proceeding seeking current insight.

Therefore, it is appropriate that this matter be closed.

Findings of Fact

1. This matter was instituted more than 12 years ago.
2. The only record consists of initial comments from six utilities.
3. Both the revision of this general order and the subject matter of the proposal have been superceded by activities in other proceedings.

Conclusion of Law

This proceeding should be closed.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Rulemaking 87-02-022 is closed.

This order is effective today.

Dated May 21, 1998, at San Francisco, California.

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