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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the operations, rates and practices of U.S. West Cellular of California, Inc. FILED PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION JANUARY 9, 1990 SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE I.90-01-013

ORDER INSTITUTING INVESTIGATION

It appearing that U.S. West Cellular of California, Inc., whose mailing address is 3350 161st Avenue, S.E., Bellevue, Washington, 98008, and its employees may have violated or may be violating Resolution T-13052, issued March 8, 1989 by offering multiple unit discount rates to ineligible customers.

And, it further appearing that U.S. West Cellular of California, Inc. and its employees may have violated or may be violating the eligibility rules specified in its multiple unit discount rate Schedule 3-T, Sections G1, G2, and G3 and the schedule for rates defined in Schedule 3-T Section A by failing to limit its offering of multiple unit discount rates to the terms and conditions specified therein.

IT IS ORDERED that an investigation on the Commission's own motion is hereby instituted into the operations, rates, and practices of the respondents named herein for the purpose of determining:

1. Whether respondent U.S. West Cellular of California, Inc. has violated Resolution T-13052 and Schedule 3-T, Section A, and Sections G1, G2, and G3, with respect to multiple unit discount rates.

2. Whether any operating authority of U.S. West Cellular, Inc. of California should be cancelled, revoked or suspended and/or a fine imposed pursuant to the Public Utilities Code.

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3. Whether respondents should be ordered to cease and desist from any unlawful operations or practices.

4. Whether any other order or orders that may be appropriate should be entered in the lawful exercise of the Commission's jurisdiction.

Public hearing in said investigation shall be held at such time and place as shall hereafter be designated, at which time and place all interested parties may appear and be heard.

The Executive Director is directed to cause a certified copy of this order to be sent by certified mail forthwith to respondent U.S. West Cellular of California, Inc.

This order is effective today.

Dated January 9, 1990, at San Francisco, California.

G. MITCHELL WILK President FREDERICK R. DUDA JOHN B. OHANIAN PATRICIA M. ECKERT Commissioners

Commissioner Stanley W. Hulett, being necessarily absent, did not participate.

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE COMMISSIONERS TODAY.

Westey FRANKLIN, Acting Executive Director

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