

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Commission Advisory and Compliance Division
Telecommunications BranchRESOLUTION T-14296
Date February 6, 1991R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION T-14296. Mountain Cellular (U-3024-C).
Approval of contract for the provision of cellular
telecommunications service to the County of El Dorado at
less than tariffed rates.

BY ADVICE LETTER No. 4, FILED ON December 3, 1990.

SUMMARY

This resolution authorizes Mountain Cellular to enter into an agreement with the County of El Dorado to provide cellular telecommunications service at other than tariffed rates, pursuant to Commission General Order No. (G.O.) 96-A, Section X.A, "Contracts and Services at other than Filed Tariff Schedules: General Requirements and Procedure."

The contract was filed with the Telecommunications Branch of the Commission Advisory and Compliance Division on December 3, 1990 and served on competing and adjacent utilities. No protests were received.

BACKGROUND

A contract for the provision of cellular telecommunications (cellular) service to the County of El Dorado (County) was filed by Mountain Cellular. Mountain Cellular provides cellular service in the El Dorado County Rural Service Area (RSA). Services will be provided to the County in accordance with Mountain's Retail Tariffs on file with the Commission and at rates specified in Schedule 6-T.

PROTESTS

No protests were received.

DISCUSSION

The prices and terms of the contract as specified in Schedule 6-T deviate from the prices and terms specified in Mountain's

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proposed rates are comparable to Mountain Cellular's wholesale rates. The contract rates are: monthly access fee of \$15.50 per number; usage charge of \$0.203 per peak-period minute, and \$0.123 per off-peak minute. Mountain Cellular anticipates the County to obtain 80 numbers under this contract, with the estimated annual revenue effect to be \$57,000.

The contract will be for an initial period of one year, with the terms applied monthly.

FINDINGS

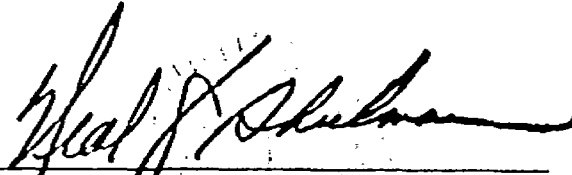
1. We find the rates and terms of the contract to be reasonable.
2. No protests regarding this contract from competing and adjacent utilities have been received within the 20 day protest period in accordance with Section X of Commission's General Order 96-A.
3. In the event that the contract continues in effect through February 6, 1992, we will allow Mountain Cellular to extend this contract only if they file an advice letter with the Commission seeking approval of the renewed contract terms.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The contract for cellular telecommunications service with the County of El Dorado filed by Mountain Cellular Corporation on December 3, 1990 is made effective today.
2. In the event that Mountain Cellular wishes to extend the contract beyond February 6, 1992, the utility shall file an advice letter requesting Commission approval of the renewed contract terms.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on February 6, 1991. The following Commissioners approved it:

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


NEAL J. SHULMAN
Executive Director