PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION RESOLUTION T-14509 Telecommunications Branch July 2, 1991

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION T-14509. PACIFIC BELL. COMMISSION ORDER EXTENDING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE CALIFORNIA 900 SERVICE UNDER THE EXISTING PROVISIONAL TARIFF UNTIL NOVEMBER 19, 1991 OR FURTHER ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

SUMMARY

Pacific Bell (Pacific), by Advice Letter No.15580 filed July 12, 1989, received authority under provisions of General Order 96-A to establish tariff schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. A9.5.3 to provide California 900 Service on a provisional basis from July 14, 1989 through July 13, 1991.

This resolution extends authorization to Pacific to provide California 900 Service on a provisional basis under the currently effective tariff until November 19, 1991 or further order of the Commission.

BACKGROUND

Pacific's Advice Letter 15580, filed July 12, 1989, requested permission to establish Schedule Cal.P.U.C. No. A9.5.3 to provide California 900 Service on a twenty-four (24) month provisional basis from July 14, 1989 through July 13, 1991. On June 4, 1991, Pacific filed Advice Letter 15986 requesting permanent tariff authority for its California 900 service. Pacific requested an effective date of July 14, 1991, forty (40) days from the date of filing.

Pacific's request in Advice Letter 15986 requires a Commission resolution granting the requested authority. However, there is not sufficient time available to analyze this request, consider any forthcoming protests, and prepare the requisite resolution authorizing this request, prior to expiration of the authority granted pursuant to Advice Letter No. 15580.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to Pacific's Advice Letter 15580, filed July 12, 1989, the Commission granted Pacific authority to establish Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. A9.5.3 to provide California 900 Service on a twenty-four (24) month provisional basis from July 14, 1989 through July 13, 1991. On June 4, 1991, Pacific filed Advice

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General Order (G.O.) 96-A, Section III.H, provides twenty (20) days in which protests may be filed, and five (5) days in which the utility must submit a written response to the protest. With respect to Pacific's Advice Letter No. 15986, protestants have until June 24, to file protests and the utility has until June 29, to respond.

However, authorization of a July 14, effective date would require action by the Commission at its July 2, meeting. This does not provide sufficient time for protestants to submit, the utility to respond, and for the Commission to consider possible protests.

Allowing Pacific's provisional tariff to expire would result in undue harm to those customers currently receiving services under the California 900 Service tariff, since Pacific would be required to interrupt or terminate service to these customers until such time that a permanent tariff was approved.

The Commission views the harm resulting from expiration of the currently effective provisional tariff without an approved permanent tariff in place, to be greater than any harm that might result from extending the expiration date of the provisional California 900 Service tariff. Extension of the expiration date for this tariff until November 19, 1991 will provide adequate time to review and consider issues raised by the request for a permanent California 900 Service tariff.

FINDINGS

- 1. Pursuant to Pacific's Advice Letter 15580, filed July 12, 1989, the Commission granted Pacific authority to establish Schedule Cal.P.U.C. No. A9.5.3 to provide California 900 Service on a twenty-four (24) month provisional basis from July 14, 1989 through July 13, 1991.
- 2. On June 4, 1991, Pacific filed Advice Letter 15986 requesting permanent tariff authority for its California 900 service. Pacific requested an effective date of July 14, 1991, forty (40) days from the date of filing.
- 3. Logistical considerations make it impossible for the Commission to consider and authorize a permanent tariff prior to the date on which the current provisional tariff expires.
- 4. Expiration of the currently effective provisional tariff would cause an interruption in the services provided under Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. A9.5.3 (California 900 Service), and result in harm to those customers served under this tariff.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that!

- 1. The authority granted pursuant to Advice Letter No. 15580, filed July 12, 1989, is hereby extended until November 19, 1991 or further order of the Commission.
 - 2. The effective date of this resolution is today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on July 2, 1991. The following Commissioners approved it:

MEAL J. SHULMAN Executive Director

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