### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION RESOLUTION T-15959 Telecommunications Branch September 4, 1996

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RESOLUTION 15959. REQUIREMENT FOR COMPETITIVE LOCAL CARRIERS TO CAPTION THEIR TARIFF PAGES FOR READY IDENTIFICATION..

#### **SUMMARY**

This Resolution requires Competitive Local Carriers to annotate each tariff page they submit with the caption, "Competitive Local Carrier Tariff." The purpose of this caption is to ensure that tariff pages intended for Competitive Local Carriers are clearly differentiated from those intended for Interexchange Carriers.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Commission Advisory and Compliance Division (CACD) is responsible both for reviewing tariff pages for compliance with current orders and rules and for filing tariff pages in official tariff books open for Commission staff and public examination. Competitive Local Carriers and Interexchange Carriers have similar but not necessarily identical services, rates and charges, and rules. Tariff filings of these two carrier types currently may be confused. It is imperative that the filings of these two carrier types be clearly differentiated in order to ensure that each type's unique requirements are met and pages are correctly filed. The purpose of this Resolution is to ensure that differentiation.

# DISCUSSION

To avoid confusion, CACD recommends that the caption, "Competitive Local Carrier Tariff," be required on every tariff page for this carrier type. The caption should appear as a header centered immediately above the box on the tariff page. All future tariff filings for this carrier type should include the caption or be rejected by CACD Telecommunications Branch.

## **FINDINGS**

1. Competitive Local Carriers and Interexchange Carriers are required to file separate tariffs.

- 2. Those two tariffs have similar but not necessarily identical services, rates and charges, and rules.
- 3. Tariff filings for these two types of carriers must be clearly differentiated.
- 4. The caption, "Competitive Local Carrier Tariff," on each tariff page for that carrier type will ensure that the differentiation is clear.
- 5. The caption should be required on every tariff page filed by or for Competitive Local Carriers.

### THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Competitive Local Carriers are required to annotate every tariff page with the caption, "Competitive Local Carrier Tariff," as a header centered immediately above the box on the tariff page.
- 2. All future advice letter filings for Competitive Local Carriers will annotate their tariff pages this way, or the advice letter filings will be subject to rejection by the Chief of the Telecommunications Branch of the Commission Advisory and Compliance Division or its successor.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on September 4, 1996. The following Commissioners approved it:

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