

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER of the Application)	
of CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE of the)	DOCKET NO. 6602
WEST for authority to revise)	ORDER NO. 4449
tariff schedules.)	
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On February 6, 1978, the CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE of the WEST (Applicant) filed Advice No. 15 for a tariff revision with the Montana Public Service Commission, requesting that the Commission, pursuant to jurisdiction granted by Section 70-101, et seq., RCM 1947, AUTHORIZE A TARIFF REVISION TO PROVIDE RATES, CHARGES AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ADDITIONAL FEATURES FOR THE SG-1 SOLID STATE ELECTRONIC PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE SYSTEM.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A notice of public hearing to be held, if requested, was published in the following newspapers on August 7, 1978, or as soon as possible thereafter: The Billings Gazette, Billings, MT; The Missoulian, Missoula, MT; Bozeman Chronicle, Bozeman, MT; The Madisonian, Virginia City, MT; Montana Standard, Butte, MT; and the Great Falls Tribune, Great Falls, MT. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were requested by August 31, 1978, the Commission would consider the matter and a default order would

be issued.

2. No requests for a hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. The Applicant alleges that the rates and charges are based on estimated full cost to the utility.

4. The Applicant alleges that the filing is being made in response to a customer requests for the listed equipment.

5. The Applicant alleges that this filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with any schedule or rule.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter.

2. The new tariffs are reasonable and just.

ORDER

1. The following is approved:

SCHEDULE NO. A-7
Private Branch Exchange Service

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 1
Original Sheet No. 40A
First Revised Sheet No. 41
First Revised Sheet No. 42
First Revised Sheet No. 46

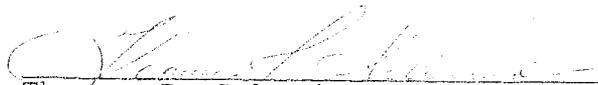
2. The filed tariffs shall be effective for telephone service rendered after September 6, 1978.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this 6th day of September, 1978, by a 5 - 0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

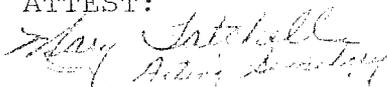

Gordon E. Bollinger, Chairman


P. J. Gilfeather, Commissioner


Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner


James R. Shea, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Madeline L. Cottrill
Secretary


George Turman, Commissioner

(SEAL)

NOTICE: You are entitled to judicial review of the final decision in this matter. If no Motion for Reconsideration is filed, judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days from the service of this Order. If a Motion For Reconsideration is filed, a Commission order is final for purpose of appeal upon the entry of a ruling on that motion, or upon the passage of ten (10) days following the filing of that motion. cf. The Montana Administrative Procedure Act, esp. Sec. 82-4216, RCM 1947; and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38-2.2(64)-P2750, ARM.