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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Application of Volcano Telephone Company (U1019C) to Review Intrastate Rates and Charges, Establish a New Intrastate Revenue Requirement and Rate Design, and Modify Selected Rates.

Application 15-12-002
(Filed December 1, 2015)

**E-MAIL RULING CONFIRMING THE JUNE 28-30, 2016 HEARING DATES
AND DIRECTING THE PARTIES TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
REGARDING HEARING**

Dated June 23, 2016, at San Francisco, California.

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Administrative Law Judge

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TO ALL PARTIES

Scheduled June 28-30, 2016 Hearing

On February 18, 2016, the Assigned Commissioner's Scoping Memo was issued in this matter pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 1701.1 and Rule 7.3 of the California Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules).^[1] The Scoping Memo addressed several matters, and adopted a schedule for this proceeding including the dates for evidentiary hearings, which are currently set for June 28-30, 2016 at the Commission Courtroom in San Francisco.

Pending Settlement between the Parties

On June 6, 2016, Volcano Telephone Company or "Volcano", and the Office of Ratepayer Advocates or "ORA" (the parties) provided notice to the Commission, pursuant to Rule 12.1(b), that they would be holding a confidential settlement conference on June 13, 2016 in order to discuss possible settlement in this proceeding. On June 14, 2016 (and June 21, 2016), the parties reported to the Commission that they have reached an all-party settlement in the proceeding and that they would submit the formal settlement and a motion for the approval

^[1] All references to Rules are to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

of the settlement agreement, to the Commission by the close of business June 24, 2016.

Accordingly, the parties requested that the evidentiary hearings be taken off calendar without prejudice to them being rescheduled should the Commission wants. This request is denied at this time without prejudice as further provided below.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED**

1. The currently scheduled hearing dates of June 28 -30, 2016 are confirmed. The hearing dates shall remain on calendar and will not be vacated until a formal settlement agreement is filed with the Commission together with a joint motion of the parties for the approval of the settlement agreement pursuant to Rule 12.1, and in accordance with Article 1 of the Commission's Rules.
2. If the parties' settlement agreement and motion for approval are filed with the Commission by the close of business on June 24, 2016 (tomorrow), the scheduled hearings shall be taken off calendar.
3. If the settlement agreement and motion for approval are not filed with the Commission by close of business on June 24, 2016, the hearings shall go forward as currently scheduled; **AND:**
 - a. The parties shall jointly or individually submit to the ALJ, and serve all parties on the service list, the following information if the scheduled hearing is going forward per paragraph 3 of this order:

- i. List of Witnesses to be called at the hearing;
 - ii. The principal issues on which the hearings will focus, including key disputes, parties' stipulations or settlements;
 - iii. Time estimates for each party for the cross-examination of witnesses, and the order of cross-examination;
 - b. The Parties shall cooperate in preparing this information requested in 3(a) above.
4. On the first day of hearing on June 28, 2016, hearing shall begin at 9:30 a.m., but the time may be adjusted on subsequent days according to the participants' needs.

THE DOCKET OFFICE SHALL FORMALLY FILE THIS RULING.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A D E N I Y I A. A Y O A D E | ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE | [**CPUC**](#)



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