

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the Commission's Own Motion into Competition for Local Exchange Service.

Rulemaking 95-04-043
(Filed April 26, 1995)

Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into Competition for Local Exchange Service.

Investigation 95-04-044
(Filed April 26, 1995)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
SHORTENING RESPONSE TIME TO
"EMERGENCY MOTION" OF VERIZON**

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Verizon California Inc. (Verizon) filed a motion on April 3, 2002, for an ex parte order shortening the response time to its "Emergency Motion," filed concurrently. In its "Emergency Motion," Verizon seeks an expedited order establishing an interim interconnection arrangement with Pac-West Telecomm. Inc. (Pac-West) pending adoption of a Commission-approved successor agreement. Verizon seeks to expedite responses to the "Emergency Motion" to ensure that the Commission has an opportunity to rule on it prior to the expiration of the existing Interconnection Agreement due to occur on April 13, 2002. Verizon indicates that there is no provision in the interconnection agreement for extension beyond April 13, 2002.

Because the time that would normally be allotted to respond to Verizon's "Emergency Motion" under Commission rules extends beyond April 13, Verizon

requests a ruling shortening the response time to its “Emergency Motion,” to be due on April 8, 2002.

In order to provide an opportunity for parties to reply to Verizon’s motion in time for an expedited ruling on the merits, the deadline for filing replies shall be shortened to close of business on April 8, 2002.

IT IS RULED that responses to the “Emergency Motion” filed by Verizon California Inc. on April 3, 2002, shall be due by close of business on April 8, 2002. Any replies shall be served by e-mail in addition to regular mail.

Dated April 4, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ THOMAS R. PULSIFER

Thomas R. Pulsifer
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Shortening Response Time to "Emergency Motion" of Verizon on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record. In addition, service was also performed by electronic mail.

Dated April 4, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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