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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	•
SOUTHERN PACIFIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS)	DOCKET UT-940120
COMPANY for an Order Authorizing the)	
Registration of Applicant as a)	AUTHORIZING
Telecommunications Company.	j	REGISTRATION
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On January 27, 1994, Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company (SP Telecom) filed an application for registration as a telecommunications company pursuant to RCW 80.36.350. Applicant proposes to offer direct dial long distance service, 800 and private line services.

SP Telecom is a Delaware corporation, headquartered in San Francisco, California. The corporation's ownership structure includes five corporations and one individual holding more than five percent interest in SP Telecom and several entities owning less than five percent interest. SP Telecom has two subsidiaries. Rates, terms and conditions set forth in the proposed tariff are structured similarly to rates filed by other interexchange carriers for calls placed in the relevant market.

SP Telecom has provided information showing that it possesses adequate financial resources, and technical competence to provide the proposed services. Applicant does not propose to collect advance payments or deposits from customers.

FINDINGS

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

- 1. Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company filed an application pursuant to the provisions of RCW 80.36.050 and the rules and regulations of the Commission for an order approving its application for registration as a telecommunications company.
- 2. As to form, the application filed herein, as supplemented and amended, meets the requirements of RCW 80.36.350 and the rules and regulations of the Commission adopted pursuant thereto.
- 3. The registration of Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company as a telecommunications company is not inconsistent with the public interest.

4. In this proceeding, the Commission in no way endorses the financial viability of applicant nor the investment quality of any securities it may issue.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS;

- 1. After the effective date of this order and subject to the conditions hereof, the application of Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company filed with the Commission pursuant to the provisions of RCW 80.36.350 requesting an order authorizing registration as a telecommunications company to provide service to the public in this state is approved.
- 2. The proposed tariff as filed on January 27, 1994, in Exhibit G, attached to the application, is satisfactory. The initial tariff filed with the Commission on February 7, 1994, in Docket UT-940186, is identical to the Exhibit G of the application and therefore is allowed to become effective on March 23, 1994.
- 3. Registration of Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company as a telecommunications company shall not be construed as an endorsement of financial viability nor of the investment quality of any securities it may issue.
- 4. As a telecommunications company providing service to the public in this state, Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission under the provisions of Title 80 RCW and all rules and regulations of the Commission adopted pursuant thereto.
- 5. Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company shall not collect advance payments or deposits without first showing that it has a satisfactory escrow arrangement to protect customer monies.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 23rd day of February, 1994.

Ster McLELLAN, Secretary