



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Communications (January 29, 1992 through February 11, 1992)

MEETING DATE: February 19, 1992

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

AGENDA ITEM

RECOMMENDATION

Information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The following communication was received between the dates of January 29, 1992 and February 11, 1992.

From, Pacific Bell Headquarters, San Francisco, CA. A notice (see Exhibit A attached) has been received from Pacific Bell asking the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to authorize a temporary rate increase of \$9.25 million to recover the cost of undergrounding telephone facilities in areas destroyed by the recent Oakland Hills fire. The cities of Oakland and Berkeley want the facilities installed underground, rather than on utility poles above ground.

FUNDING: None required.

Alice M. Reiniche
City Clerk

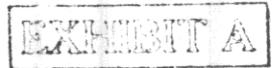
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THOMAS A PETERSON



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\$9.25 Million Temporary Rate Increase Requested
for Underground Facilities

in Areas Affected by the Oakland Hills Fire

On January 21, 1992, Pacific Bell asked the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to authorize a temporary rate increase of \$9.25 million to recover the cost of undergrounding telephone facilities in areas destroyed by the recent Oakland Hills fire. The cities of Oakland and Berkeley want the facilities installed underground, rather than on utility poles above ground.

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If our application is approved, we would install underground facilities and recover associated costs over a 12-month period. This request deviates from cost allocation rules for undergrounding as set forth in Rule 32 of Pacific Bell's tariffs. (Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. A.2.1.32)

The proposed increase applies to all Pacific Bell customers statewide, including those receiving basic and toll services, as well as long distance companies which are provided access to our network. You now receive a "Rate Surcharge" credit, which would be decreased by 0.144 percent if the application is approved. The "Rate Surcharge" is listed on your bill in the "Regulated Monthly Charges and Credits" section.

How **your** bill would be affected:

- Residence customers with an average monthly bill of \$30 would pay approximately five cents more per month for one year.

- Business customers with an average monthly bill of \$100 would pay approximately 15 cents more per month for one year.

Our application may be reviewed at any Pacific Bell Public Office. If you have any questions about the application or would like a copy of it, write to:

Regulatory Manager
Pacific Bell Headquarters
140 New Montgomery Street, Room 512
San Francisco, California 94135

You also may review our application and related exhibits at one of the CPUC offices listed below:

Public Advisor's Office
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 5303
San Francisco, California 94102

Public Advisor's Office
California Public Utilities Commission
107 South Droadway, Room 5109
Los Angeles, California 90012

To comment about this proposed increase, or to request a notice of possible hearings on the matter, write only to the CPUC office in San Francisco listed above. Please include Application Number A.92-01-021 on your correspondence.