

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the matter of the
Public Utilities
Commission Act 1990 (No.
26 of 1990)

- and -

Application by the Guyana
Telephone and Telegraph
Company Limited to round
off charges to the
nearest dollar.

PAMADATH J. MENON, A.A.

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- MEMBER

REPRESENTATION -

The Guyana Telephone and
Telegraph Company Limited

- By Mr Joseph Sanders,
Attorney-at-Law

The Guyana Consumers'
Association

- Ms B. Ferdinand,
Attorney-at-Law

Consumers' Advisory
Bureau of Guyana

- Ms Eileen Cox
Vice-Chairman

O R D E R

By application dated 10 June, 1996, the Guyana Telephone & Telegraph Company Limited ("GT&T") requested the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC") that since cent coins had ceased to be legal tender with effect from 26 May, 1996, it should be allowed to round off all charges to the nearest dollar.

2. Having heard the submissions of GT&T and the representatives of consumers, the PUC hereby orders -

- (i) the rounding off will be made only in respect of the total amount due under any Bill issued by GT&T;
- (ii) amounts of fifty cents and below shall be ignored and amounts of fifty-one cents and above are allowed to be rounded off to one dollar;
- (iii) no rounding off will be required when payment is made by cheque or debit card; and

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(iv) GT&T shall not discontinue the present practice of accepting payment by cheque or debit card without the permission of the PUC.

Dated at Georgetown, Guyana
this 24th day of September, 1996.

Pamadath J. Menon
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