PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

ORDER

APPLICATION OF THE GUYANA TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY LTD. FOR APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT A TEMPORARY RATE INCREASE FOR THE RECOVERY OF UNCOLLECTED REVENUES

INTRODUCTION

The Public Utilities Commission in a Decision given on the abovementioned matter, dated 21st December 1993, authorised by Order the implementation of temporary rate increases or surcharges under terms and conditions set out at Sections (a) to (f) of the Order.

Section (b) provided, inter alia, for the temporary rate increases to remain in effect up to March 31, 1994, and provided for the time limitation to be extended at the discretion of the Commission.

The Order related to the Company's proposals to the Commission for the recovery of uncollected revenues pursuant to the Commission's Decision of November 12, 1991, approving, <u>inter alia</u>, upward adjustments of the rates for telephone calls to Antigua, Canada, the United Kingdom and the U.S.A.

The period to 31st March 1994, specified in the Decision and Order of 21st December 1993 was designed to allow verification of the figures to be used to fix the final rate increases or surcharges. This verification process has not been completed despite an extension of the original time limitation to not later than 30th September, 1994.

ORDER

In the circumstances as set out above, the Commission hereby orders that the temporary rates or surcharges currently in effect shall continue to a date not later than 31st October, 1994 unless the Commission reaches a final determination before that date, in which case, the rates now authorised shall cease to have effect from such date as the Commission may decide and shall be replaced by the rates or surcharges finally determined. This time limitation may be extended at the discretion of the Commission.

Signed at Georgetown, Guyana, this 30th day of September, 1994.

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