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In the Matter of the Application of)

PACIFIC LIGHTNET, INC.

DOCKET NO. 03-0203

Transmittal No. 03-02.

<u>ORDER NO. 20337</u>

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ATTEST: A True Copy KAREN HIGASHI Chief Clerk, Public Utilities Commission, State of Hawaii.

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Docket No. 03-0203 Order No. 20337

#### <u>ORDER</u>

I.

By transmittal number 03-02, filed on July 2, 2003, PACIFIC LIGHTNET, INC. ("PLNI") proposes certain revisions to section 5.1 of its tariff, governing directory assistance service. Specifically, PLNI seeks to: (1) delete the free directory assistance allowance of 10 calls per month; and (2) raise the charge for directory assistance from \$0.20 to \$0.75 per call.<sup>1</sup> The proposed effective date of PLNI's transmittal is August 1, 2003.

The commission is currently considering a similar issue in Docket No. 03-0034. There, the incumbent telecommunications carrier, Verizon Hawaii Inc., proposes to: (1) decrease its free local directory assistance allowance from 10 to 2 calls per month; and (2) increase the rate charged over the allowance from \$0.20 to \$0.50 per call. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy ("Consumer Advocate"): (1) recently completed its investigation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Section 5.1.3 of PLNI's current tariff provides that a charge of \$0.20 will apply for each local directory assistance call in excess of the 10 free calls per month allowance.

of Verizon Hawaii Inc.'s proposal; and (2) on July 14, 2003, filed its Position Statement.

The commission will suspend transmittal number 03-02, in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 269-16 and Hawaii Administrative Rules § 6-80-40, pending further review.<sup>2</sup> The Consumer Advocate shall promptly file its position statement in this docket, upon the completion of its investigation herein. Further action from the commission will then follow.

II.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

PLNI's transmittal number 03-02, filed on July 2,
2003, is suspended, pending further review.

2. The Consumer Advocate shall promptly file its position statement, upon the completion of its investigation.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 18th day of July, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Azama Commission Counsel

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Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

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Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

<sup>2</sup><u>See also</u> HRS §§ 269-6, 269-7, and 269-8 (commission's general and investigative powers).

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing <u>Order No. 20337</u> upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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