Decision No. 15691

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of Associated Telephone Company, a corporation, and Consolidated Utilities Company, a corporation, for authority to purchase and sell personal property.

Application No. 11875.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

This is a proceeding in which the Associated Telephone Company requests authority to purchase certain properties used in rendering telephone service in Virginia City and adjacent territory and Consolidated Utilities requests authority to sell the same and to abandon telephone service in that territory shown in Exhibit "A" in the Commission's Decision No. 15443, dated September 23, 1925.

This Commission in the Opinion in its Decision above referred to, in which it required the Associated Telephone Company to render telephone service in Virginia City, said:

"It appears to this Commission that it would be in the interest of the public and the people of Virginia City that the Consolidated Utilities Company abandon all operations in Virginia City and that this territory be served by the Associated Telephone Company. It would appear advisable that the two utilities arrange for the carrying out of these suggestions."

Therefore, pursuant to these suggestions, an agreement has been made by these utilities for the transfer of certain properties used in rendering telephone service in Virginia City and

adjacent territory, from the Consolidated Utilities Company to the Associated Telephone Company for the sum of eighteen hundred thirty-one and 90/100 dollars (\$1,831.90), which consideration does not appear to be unreasonable. It further appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Associated Telephone Company be and it is hereby authorized to purchase and the Consolidated Utilities Company to sell, for the sum of eighteen hundred thirty-one and 90/100 dollars (\$1,831.90) certain property as described in Applicant's Exhibit "A" accompanying the application in this proceeding under the following conditions:

- (1) The authority herein granted shall apply only to such transfer as shall have been completed on or before December 31, 1925 and a certified copy of the instrument of conveyance of this property shall be filed with the Railroad Commission by Consolidated Utilities Company within thirty (30) days after the date of such transfer.
- (2) The consideration for which the properties are herein authorized to be transferred shall not be considered as a measure of the value of said properties for any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED

- (1) That Consolidated Utilities Company be and it is hereby ordered to discontinue on and after January 1, 1926, rendering telephone service in that portion of Virginia City and adjacent territory as shown in Exhibit "A" in Decision No. 15443.
- (2) That Consolidated Utilities Company file with the Commission on or before December 31, 1925, a revised map of its exchange territory to exclude that portion of Virginia City and adjacent territory as shown in Exhibit "A"

in Decision No. 15443.

For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date thereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15 day of November, 1925.

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