

Decision No. 19188.**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the Application
of COAST TELEPHONE COMPANY for
permission to install telephone
plant and to publish, file, and
put into effect rates for exchange
telephone service at Morro Bay,
San Luis Obispo County, California.)

Application No. 14013.

Ernest Irwin, for Applicant.

O P I N I O N

BY THE COMMISSION:

In this proceeding, Coast Telephone Company makes application to establish a telephone exchange at Morro Bay, California, and to place in effect certain rates for exchange telephone service within the exchange and toll charges for service between Morro Bay exchange and other exchanges.

A public hearing was held in this application before Examiner Williams at Morro Bay, on ^{Norciuba} ~~October~~ 7, 1927, at which time and place the matter was submitted. *Wm*

Coast Telephone Company is the name and style under which J. R. Fort, owner and manager, is conducting a telephone business in the towns of Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay and their vicinities. Cambria and Cayucos are separate exchanges while at present Morro Bay is served from the Cayucos exchange.

Morro Bay is a separate and distinct community with little community interest with Cayucos. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, at present, has a toll station at Morro Bay with rates on file with this Commission for service between Morro Bay and Cayucos and other toll points. The rate for a

three minute station-to-station message between Morro Bay and Cayucos is ten cents.

At the present time, the only services available in the Morro Bay section are on a ten-party line basis and there are but few of these as most residents of the Morro Bay territory have no desire for telephone service from Cayucos.

Under the proposed plan of a separate exchange at Morro Bay, the station-to-station initial toll rate between San Luis Obispo and Morro Bay will be ten cents, whereas the present rate from subscribers' stations in Morro Bay is twenty cents.

Applicant submitted a schedule of rates for service within the proposed exchange area, together with estimated revenue and expenses and a detailed estimate of the cost of facilities necessary to give local exchange service in the proposed exchange. These estimates were supported by verbal testimony and appear satisfactory.

No objection to the granting of the authority requested was offered at the hearing, but, on the other hand, testimony was given as to the desirability and necessity of a separate telephone exchange at Morro Bay.

The evidence in this proceeding shows that in order to give the residents of Morro Bay and vicinity a more adequate local telephone service and a reduced rate on toll service to San Luis Obispo, the authority for the establishment of the new exchange should be granted and that the rates shown in Exhibit No. 1, attached hereto should be authorized and the order following will so provide.

O R D E R

Coast Telephone Company, J. R. Fort owner, applicant in this proceeding, having requested the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing it to open a telephone exchange at Morro Bay with local exchange telephone rates, a public hearing having

been held, the matter having been submitted and now being ready for decision.

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby finds as a fact that the Coast Telephone Company, J. R. Fort owner, should establish a telephone exchange at Morro Bay and furnish local exchange telephone service within the boundary of the exchange area as shown on a map filed in Exhibit "A", attached to the application, with a primary rate area as shown on a map filed in said Exhibit "A", attached to the application, and with rates as shown in Exhibit No. 1, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Basing its order on the foregoing findings of fact and such other findings as are contained in the opinion preceding this order;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Coast Telephone Company, J. R. Fort owner, shall establish on or before March 1, 1928, a telephone exchange within the community of Morro Bay and furnish local exchange telephone service within the exchange area shown in Exhibit "A", attached to the application and shall discontinue Cayucos exchange service in said area thereafter.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Coast Telephone Company, J. R. Fort owner, shall charge and collect rates for telephone service, as shown in Exhibit No. 1, attached hereto and made a part hereof, in the exchange area and primary rate area of Morro Bay as shown on maps in Exhibit "A" attached to the application in this proceeding, after a showing to this Commission that it has completed the construction necessary to ren-

der such service and upon issuance of a supplemental order by the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23rd day of ~~November~~ ^{December}, 1927.

Edmund G. ...
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Thomas E. ...

W. J. ...
Commissioners.

EXHIBIT NO. 1

RATES

EXCHANGE SERVICE SCHEDULE NO. A-1RATES FOR INDIVIDUAL AND PARTY LINE SERVICE.

Applicable to flat rate service within the Primary Rate Area, Morro Bay Exchange:

	<u>Rate per Month</u>	
	<u>Wall Set</u>	<u>Desk Set</u>
<u>Business Flat Rate Service:</u>		
Each individual line station	\$3.25	\$3.50
Each two-party line station	2.75	3.00
Each extension station, with or without bell	.75	1.00
<u>Residence Flat Rate Service:</u>		
Each individual line station	\$2.50	\$2.75
Each four-party line station	2.00	2.25
Each extension station, with or without bell	.75	1.00

The individual and party line services will be provided outside the Primary Rate Area and within the Exchange Area at the above rates, plus mileage rates.

Extension stations at the above rates are installed on the premises on which the primary station is located. The above rates, plus mileage rates, are applicable to outside extension stations.

EXCHANGE SERVICE SCHEDULE NO. A-4

MILEAGE RATES:

Applicable to mileage rates outside the Primary Rate Area but within the Exchange Area of the territory served.

Mileage charges, based on air line mileage, measured between the station and nearest point on the boundary of the Primary Rate Area are effective in addition to the rates for service within the Primary Rate Area.

<u>Outside Primary Rate Area and Within Exchange Area</u>	<u>Rate Per Month</u>
<u>Each quarter Mile or Fraction:</u>	
Each individual line station, not including: extension station	\$0.50
Each private branch exchange trunk line, battery power and ringing circuit50
Each two-party line station35
Each four-party line station25

CONDITIONS:

(1) Mileage charges, based on route, mileage, which is the lineal length of the actual line required, are effective in connection with extension stations, private branch exchange stations terminated outside the premises in which the primary station or private branch exchange switchboard is located. The mileage charge applies in addition to the rate for service on the premises in which the primary station or private branch exchange switchboard is located.

(2) Outside Subscribers' Premises and Within Exchange Area.

	<u>Rate Per Month</u>
<u>Each quarter Mile or Fraction:</u>	
(a) Each Extension Station	\$0.50
(b) Each Private Branch Exchange Station50

EXCHANGE SERVICE SCHEDULE NO. A-5

RATES FOR SUBURBAN SERVICE:

Applicable to Suburban Service outside the Primary Rate Area but within the Morro Bay Exchange Area.

	<u>Rate per Month</u>	
	<u>Wall Set</u>	<u>Desk Set</u>
<u>Flat Rate Service:</u>		
Each Suburban Business Station	\$3.00	\$3.25
Each Suburban Residence Station	2.50	2.75

Suburban service will be rendered outside the Primary Rate Area but within the Exchange Area. In no case will the total number of stations connected to one circuit exceed ten stations.