

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 2379

J. W. JAMESON, et al.,

Complainants,

-vs-

Case No. 745.

KERN MUTUAL TELEPHONE COMPANY,

Defendant.

Barclay McCowan, for Complainants
C.L. Claflin and E.J. Emmons, for Defendant

GORDON, Commissioner:

OPINION.

This is a complaint against the rates of Kern Mutual Telephone Company. This Company has exchanges in Taft, Maricopa, Fellows and McKittrick, in Kern County, California. At the hearing in this case the Attorney for the complainants introduced schedules of rates for telephone service in other localities of this State. These schedules are lower than those of Kern Mutual Telephone Company. Other than these comparative ^{the complainants} schedules introduced, no evidence of any kind to show that the rates complained of are unreasonably high or excessive.

At the hearing the defendant Company voluntarily offered to put into effect through all the exchanges served by it the following reduction in the rates:

<u>Number of Patrons.</u>	<u>Class of Service.</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>New Rates</u>	<u>Amount Reduction</u>
64	1-party Business	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.50	\$ 32.00
16	2 " " Desk Set	8.00	7.50	8.00
35	2 " " Wall "	7.50	7.00	17.50
75	4 " " Desk "	6.00	5.50	37.50
2	1 " Residence	7.50	7.00	1.00
3	2 " " Desk "	5.50	5.00	1.50
8	2 " " Wall "	5.00	4.50	4.00
2	4 " " Desk "	4.50	3.50	2.00
68	4 " " Wall "	3.50	3.00	34.00
Total Reduction per Month - -				\$137.50
" " " Year				1650.00

Complainants agreed to accept these reductions in satisfaction of the complaint, and asked that the complaint be dismissed without prejudice. I, accordingly, submit herewith the following form of order:

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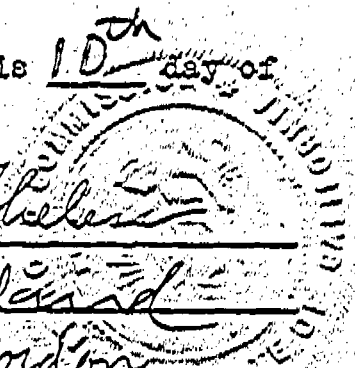
This case having come on regularly for hearing and the matter being ready for decision,--

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the complaint in this proceeding be, and the same is hereby, dismissed without prejudice, provided defendant, Kern Mutual Telephone Company, shall, on or before May 31, 1915, file with this Commission the following schedule of rates to be put into effect in all the exchanges operated by the defendant Company, to-wit:

1-party, Business	Telephones	\$9.50	per	month
2	" " Desk Sot Telephones	7.50	" "	
2	" " Wall " "	7.00	" "	
4	" " Desk " "	5.50	" "	
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The foregoing opinion and order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the opinion and order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of May, 1915.


Max Steiner
W. H. Boardman
Alex. Gordon
Edwin C. Edgerton
 Commissioners.