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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the matter of the application of	)	
Lindsay Home Telephone and Telegraph	)	
Company for an order extending time	)	Application No. 2360
for compliance with Chapter 499, Laws	)	
of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600,	)	
Laws of 1915.	)	

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A. N. Robertson for Lindsay Home Telephone  
and Telegraph Company.  
J. Morgenthauer and William Rhys for  
Electric Workers.

THEBEN and DEVLIN, Commissioners.

O P I N I O N

This is a petition for an order extending the time for compliance with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, referring to the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and use of electric poles, wires, cables and appliances.

A public hearing in this proceeding was held in San Francisco on July 14, 1916.

For a statement of the law governing proceedings of this character and of the principles guiding the Railroad Commission in its decision therein, reference is hereby made to the decision this day rendered in Application No. 2222, Los Angeles Gas and Electric Corporation et al.

Petitioner owns and operates a telephone and telegraph system in the City of Lindsay, Tulare County, and territory adjacent thereto.

Mr. A. N. Robertson, petitioner's Secretary and General Manager, testified that during the past few years petitioner has endeavored "to comply with the law without undue expense." The petitioner presented its Exhibit No. 1, showing an estimate of \$567.40 as being the sum necessary to remove all violations of the statute. Of this amount \$96.65 is to be expended in placing on cross-arms cable which is now attached directly to poles, \$79.60 to replace one-bolt cable clamps with two-bolt clamps, \$133.00 to replace wires on open leads, and \$258.15 to reconstruct pole leads.

Mr. Robertson asked for an extension of two years on the assumption that the work will be done with petitioner's present crew and the expense met by earnings.

After careful consideration of all the factors entering into the problem, we have reached the conclusion that an extension of time until December 31, 1917 should be granted to petitioner, on the conditions specified in the order herein.

We submit the following form of order:

O R D E R

Lindsay Home Telephone and Telegraph Company having applied for an order extending the time within which to comply with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, and a public hearing having been held,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The time within which petitioner herein shall reconstruct its existing system so as to comply completely

with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, is hereby extended to and including December 31, 1917 on condition that at least one-half of the reconstruction work necessary to be done shall be completed on or before June 30, 1917, and the entire work on or before December 31, 1917.

2. At the times herein directed, petitioner shall file with the Railroad Commission, on forms to be supplied by the Railroad Commission, progress reports showing, in such detail as will be prescribed by the Railroad Commission, the extent to which the necessary reconstruction work has been performed during the period covered by the report and also the extent to which reconstruction work remains to be done in order that the property will comply with the provisions of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915. The first report shall cover the period ending December 31, 1916, and shall be filed with the Railroad Commission within fifteen days subsequent thereto. The succeeding reports shall cover the succeeding six months' periods, respectively, and shall be filed on or before the expiration of fifteen days after the termination of each such succeeding period of six months.

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 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1916.

Max Shelton  
H. D. Howard  
Edwin C. Egey  
Frank D. G. G.

Commissioners