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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of LOS ANGELES FIRE ALARM COMPANY for an order extending time for compliance with Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915.

ORIGINAL Application No. 2405.

L. M. Parker for Los Angeles Fire Alarm Company. J. Morgenthaler. H. G. Greene and C. W. McAlpin for Electrical Workers.

THELEN and DEVLIN. Commissioners.

OPINION.

This is a petition for an extension of time within which to comply 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 Los Angeles on July 19, 1916.

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

Petitioner furnishes auxiliary fire alarm service in Los Angeles and in connection with this business operates about 20 miles of line on poles belonging to the telephone companies and the electric companies in Los Angeles.

Mr. L. M. Parker, testifying for petitioner, stated that the only violations in petitioner's system, as far as he knew, were about a dozen violations of the vertical clearances. He testified that petitioner has removed all the other violations

of the statute, but that until the telephone companies and the electric companies reconstruct their systems, petitioner will be unable to remove the violations of the law in its system.

We are of the opinion that arrangements can easily be made, within the period ending June 30, 1917, so that the telephone and electric companies will perform the necessary reconstruction work in order that all violations of petitioner's system may be removed.

After careful consideration of all the factors entering into the problem, we have reached the conclusion that an extension of time until June 30, 1917, should be granted to petitioner, on the conditions specified in the order herein.

We submit the following form of order:

ORDER.

IOS ANGELES FIRE ALARM 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 shall reconstruct its existing system so as to comply with the provisions of Chapter 499. Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws of 1915, is hereby extended to and including June 30, 1917, on condition that at least one-half of the reconstruction work necessary to be done shall be completed on or before December 31, 1916, and the entire work on or before June 30, 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 15 days subsequent thereto. The succeeding report shall cover the succeeding sixmonth period and shall be filed on or before the expiration of 15 days after the termination of such six-month period.

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 Thday of September, 1916.

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Commissioners.