

Decision No. _____

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of
 Home Telephone Company of Covina
 for an order extending time for com-
 pliance with Chapter 499, Laws of
 1911, as amended by Chapter 600, Laws
 of 1915.

Application No. 2427

F. H. Wright for Home Telephone
 Company of Covina.
 J. Morgenthauer, H. G. Greene and
 C. W. McAlpin for Electric
 Workers.

THELEN 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 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 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 system in the cities of Azusa, Covina and Glendora, and in the unincorporated communities of Baldwin Park, Charter Oak, Irwindale, San Dimas, Bassett, North Whittier Heights, Otterbine, Puente, Rowland, Walnut Center, Valencia Heights and Valley View.

Mr. F. H. Wright, petitioner's General Manager,

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testified that all new work and all reconstruction work subsequent to the effective date of Chapter 499, Laws of 1911, has been done in compliance with the statute but that no special effort has been made solely for the purpose of compliance. The present violations of the statute are principally in the matter of horizontal clearances.

Mr. Wright testified that the work could be completed by June 1, 1918, at an approximate expenditure of \$3,500.00.

We consider petitioner's request for an extension of time to be reasonable. Petitioner's time will be extended until June 30, 1918, on the conditions specified in the order herein.

We submit the following form of order:

O R D E R

Home Telephone Company of Covina 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 June 30, 1918, 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 June 30, 1918.

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 ex-

tent 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 26th day of September, 1916.

Max Sherman
H. B. Howland

Edwin C. Edgerton
Frank R. Deane

Commissioners