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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Decision No. 11521

In the matter of the application of the Siskiyou Telephone Company of Etna, Siskiyou County, California, for an order authorizing the applicant to acquire under special-use permit the use of certain telephones owned by the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and to lease to the Forest Service certain lines owned by the applicant.

Application No. 3026.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

The applicant in this proceeding, Siskiyou Telephone Company, operates a system of telephone lines in Siskiyou County, State of California, including a portion of the Klamath National Forest. It desires to lease to the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, certain of its telephone lines within the Klamath National Forest in exchange for certain telephone lines belonging to the Forest Service, operated within this National Forest, to be acquired under special-use permit. The lines which applicant desires to acquire are described as follows:

First, a line beginning at Rainey's Ranch in Sec. 9, T 46 N, R 10 W, M D M, and running thence in a northwesterly direction along or near the County road to Hubbard's Ranch in Sec. 8, T 46 N, R 10 W, M D M, a total length of approximately one mile;

Second, a line beginning at Scott Bar, in Sec. 16, T 45 N, R 10 W, M D M, and running thence in a southwesterly direction to a point near Canyon Creek bridge, in approximately Sec. 21, T 44 N, R 11 W, M D M, and thence in an easterly direction to Pinkerton's Ranch in Sec. 22, T 44 N, R 10 W, M D M, a total length of approximately 20.00 miles;

Third, a line beginning at Seiad in Sec. 11, T 46 N, R 12 W, M D M, and running thence in a northeasterly direction to Phillips' Ranch, in Sec. 32, T 47 N, R 11 W, M D M, a total length of approximately 3.25 miles;

Fourth, a line beginning at Happy Camp in Sec. 11, T 16 N, R 7 E, H M, and running thence in a northwesterly direction to the Indian Creek Ranger Station in Sec. 16, T 17 N, R 7 E, H M, a total distance of approximately 7 miles.

The lines which applicant desires to lease are described as follows:

First, a line beginning at White's Ranch in Sec. 13, T 46 N, R 9 W, M D M, and running thence in a northeasterly and easterly direction along or near the County road to Gottville in Sec. 2, T 46 N, R 8 W, M D M, a total length of approximately 7.00 miles;

Second, a line beginning at White's Ranch in Sec. 13, T 46 N, R 9 W, M D M, and running thence in a northwesterly and northerly direction along or near the County road and an established trail to Garretson Springs in Sec. 35, T 48 N, R 9 W, M D M, a total length of approximately 9.50 miles;

Third, a line beginning at White's Ranch in Sec. 13, T 46 N, R 9 W, M D M, and running thence in a southeasterly direction along or near the County road to Mrs. S. R. White's Ranch, in Sec. 20, T 46 N, R 8 W, M D M, a total length of approximately 2.50 miles.

A copy of the special-use permit and lease hereinbefore referred to have been filed with the Commission.

For the purpose of securing the co-operation of the public in the protection of National Forests against fire, the Forest Service permits the free use of its telephone lines and the connection of telephones to its lines in the residences of those residing within the forests, except where telephone service can be had over commercial lines. There are six such telephones now connected with the Forest Service lines which applicant desires to operate under special-use permit. The users of these telephones will be required to pay the applicant's established rates if the applicant assumes operation of these lines.

There are now six telephones connected with the lines which applicant desires to lease to the Forest Service. Applicant now charges its established rates for the use of these telephones. If these lines are taken over by the Forest Service, the free use of

schedule of rates to conform with the changes hereinabove authorized.

BY ORDER OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day
of August, 1917.

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Commissioners.