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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of J. L. Bass Telephone Company for permission to sell and of D. H. Briggs for permission to buy a telephone line from Baird to Delamar, Shasta County, California.

Application No. 3402

BY THE COMMISSION.

OPINION

J. L. Bass Telephone Company, one of the petitioners in this proceeding, owns a telephone line consisting of approximately twelve miles of metallic circuit strung principally upon trees and at present having eight telephone stations connected at and between Baird and Delamar in Shasta County.

The line was formerly operated by J. L. Bass who by reason of ill health transferred its operation to Annie L. Bass. The said Annie L. Bass is now teaching school and having disposed of other business interests in Baird heretofore conducted in connection with the operation of this telephone line, and being unable longer to give the time and attention necessary to the further operation of this telephone line, desires authority to sell and transfer^{it} for the sum of \$200.00, payable in eight monthly payments of \$25.00 each, to D. H. Briggs.

No change in the present method of operation or in rates is contemplated. Neither the applicants nor the Railroad Commission are informed as to the original cost or present value of this property but for the purpose of sale and transfer, there appears to be no reasonable objection to the consideration named by the applicants in the agreement of sale which is attached to and made a part of the petition.

By reason of his other business interests in Baird and for financial reasons, it appears that the proposed purchaser is better able to operate this line than the present owners. We are of the opinion that the public interest will be subserved by the granting of this application and that this is not a case requiring a public hearing.

ORDER

Application having been filed with the Railroad Commission by J. L. Bass Telephone Company to sell and by D. H. Briggs to buy a certain telephone line extending from Baird to Delamar, Shasta County, California, as set forth in the preceding opinion, and it appearing to the Railroad Commission that the public interest will be subserved by the granting of this Application, and it further appearing that this is not a case in which a public hearing is necessary,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Railroad Commission of the State of California that the application herein be and it is hereby granted.

PROVIDED that within thirty days from the date of its execution, a certified copy of the instrument of transfer, transferring the property herein authorized to be sold, shall be filed with the Railroad Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day
of January, 1918.

Max Heber
H. D. Loveland
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Commissioners.