

Decision No. 7099

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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REEDLEY TELEPHONE COMPANY,  
Complainant,

vs.

SANGER TELEPHONE COMPANY,  
SETCHEL FRUIT COMPANY,  
Defendants.

ORIGINAL

Case No. 1373

A. Terkel for Complainant,  
H. F. Knapp, for Defendants,  
E. A. Wishard, for Defendants,  
W. Flanders Setchel, for Defendants.

BRUNDIGE, Commissioner.

O P I N I O N

In this case the Reedley Telephone Company requests the Railroad Commission to require the Sanger Telephone Company and the Setchel Fruit Company to remove certain telephone lines owned by the latter telephone company, which the complainant alleges were built into territory claimed by the Reedley Telephone Company. The location of the lines of both companies in the disputed territory is shown in complainant's Exhibit No.1, on file with the Railroad Commission, and is described in the complaint as a line between the Carelita Vineyard and the Setchel Fruit Company's packing house at Wahtoke, also the lines and poles east of Townsend's Ranch, together with such branch lines as may be

connected with this latter line.

Complainant further requests that the Railroad Commission declare the territory in dispute to be within the Reedley exchange area.

Public hearing was held at Sanger on October 16, 1919, and testimony of all parties interested was heard.

I am of the opinion that it is to the best interest of all concerned that the telephone service now existing in this territory be not disturbed. I also am of the opinion that neither the Reedley Telephone Company nor the Sanger Telephone Company should be permitted to further extend their pole lines and telephone leads into this disputed territory without the express authorization of this Commission.

I recommend the following form of order:

#### ORDER

The Reedley Telephone Company having filed a formal complaint with the Railroad Commission against <sup>the</sup> Sanger Telephone Company and Satchel Fruit Company for building a telephone line into territory which the former claimed as a part of the Reedley Exchange territory, a public hearing having been held and the Commission being fully apprised in the premises, finds as a fact that public convenience and necessity are best served by the lines as they exist at present.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that both companies be required to allow the telephone lines to remain as at present, and that no further extensions of service be made by either company without

the express authorization of the Railroad Commission.

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 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of ~~January~~ <sup>February</sup> 1920.

Edwin O. Edgerton  
H. D. Loveland  
H. A. Brundage

Commissioners.