Decision No. 29052

EEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of CAMPBELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, a corporation, and THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, a corporation, for an order authorizing Campbell Telephone Company to sell to The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company all of its telephone property located adjacent to the community of Campbell, Santa Clara County, California; to withdraw from the telephone business and The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company to purchase and acquire the same, and to assume the obligations of rendering telephone service therein.



Application No. 20608.

Alfred Sutro and James G. Marshall for The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>OPINION</u>

In this proceeding the Railroad Commission is asked to make its order authorizing Campbell Telephone Company to sell for the sum of \$18,800.00, plus the costs of net additions and betterments made between March 10, 1936 and the date of the conveyance of the property to The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, all of its telephone property located adjacent to the community of

Campbell, Santa Clara County; authorizing Campbell Telephone Company to withdraw from the telephone business; and authorizing The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company to engage in the telephone and telegraph business in the territory adjacent to the community of Campbell.

It is of record that Campbell Company furnishes telephone service to approximately 135 subscribers in the territory
adjacent to the community of Campbell as shown on a map marked
Exhibit "C" attached to the application. The lines of the
Campbell Company extend from the subscribers' premises to the
base rate area boundary of the Campbell Exchange of the Pacific
Company in the community of Campbell where connection is made
with the lines of the Pacific Company. Switching service is
performed for the Campbell Company by the Pacific Company at
its manual switchboard located in Campbell.

The original cost of the Campbell Company's telephone property cannot be determined as no complete records are available. An inventory summary of the property is attached to the application and marked Exhibit "B." Based upon an appraisal of the items of property so inventoried, an estimate of the structural value thereof as of February 1, 1936, is stated to be \$18,712.00. Campbell Telephone Company's balance sheet, dated December 31, 1935, and income statement for year ending December 31, 1925 filed with the application show plant and equipment, cash, and material and supplies amounting to \$18,600.23, with reported exchange revenue of \$3,561.08 and expenses of \$3,124.41.

Campbell Telephone Company desires to sell its property

for the reason that the divided responsibility of furnishing its subscribers with telephone service is not conducted to the best service at reasonable rates. The Pacific Company upon acquiring this property would incorporate the same in its general system, and operate the telephone service in and adjacent to the community of Campbell under one management.

ORDER

The Railroad Commission having given careful consideration to the request of the applicants in this proceeding and it appearing that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is required, that the transfer for which authority is asked herein is in the public interest, and that the application should be granted subject to the provisions of this order,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Campbell Telephone Company and The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company may, on or before January 1, 1937, execute and consummate a bill of sale, as filed with the application herein as Exhibit "E," and the former may sell and the latter may purchase the properties described in said bill of sale.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that upon the execution and delivery of said bill of sale and as of the date of transfer of the properties Campbell Telephone Company may abandon operation and service as a public utility and withdraw its rate schedules therefor, and The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company shall furnish telephone service as a public utility in the territory theretofore served by Campbell Telephone Company.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that on or before the tenth day immediately preceding the transfer of said telephone properties The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company shall submit to the Railroad Commission for filing schedules of rates, rules and regulations governing its service in the territory adjacent to the community of Campbell as shown on the map filed as Exhibit "C" with the application herein, which schedules shall in nowise effect any increase in charges to telephone users in said territory.

For all other purposes the effective date of this Order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1746 day of Access, 1936.

Commissioners.