

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 29534.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of  
ASSOCIATED TELEPHONE COMPANY, LTD.,  
a corporation, for authority to file  
and make effective rates for certain  
service.

Application No. 20985.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

Associated Telephone Company, Ltd., a corporation, operating a telephone system in the Counties of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Orange in California, herein requests an order authorizing Applicant to file and make effective rates for interexchange receiving service. In the application it is stated that Applicant's predecessors in Long Beach and in Santa Monica developed a type of service which was referred to as "Secretarial Service" in which interexchange toll calls were directed to certain business concerns in nearby exchanges by operators of said predecessor companies and the toll charges therefor were billed to the called party. Rates for such service were not filed with the Railroad Commission due to a belief that such service was not a utility service.

Applicant now desires to offer its "Interexchange Receiving Service" in its Long Beach and Santa Monica Exchanges, replacing its irregularly furnished "Secretarial Service." Applicant has one customer now receiving this service in Santa Monica at a rate higher than that proposed herein. The Western Union Telegraph Company and Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, now receiving similar service, have signified by letter that they are agreeable to paying the proposed rates which are set forth

in Exhibit "B" attached to the application.

There being a public demand in Long Beach and Santa Monica for this type of service which is furnished elsewhere in California, it appears that the offering of such service in a regular manner at the rates proposed should be authorized.

The Commission having given proper consideration to this application concludes that this is a matter not requiring a public hearing, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Associated Telephone Company, Ltd., be and it is hereby authorized to file with the Railroad Commission, in accordance with General Order No. 68, the Exchange Service Schedules for Interexchange Receiving Service in the Long Beach and Santa Monica Exchanges as set forth in Exhibit "B" attached to the application herein on or before sixty (60) days from the date hereof, effective for service five (5) days after the date said schedules are received by the Railroad Commission for filing.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1937.

William H. ...  
Leon ...  
John R. ...  
Ray & Riley  
Commissioners.