

Decision No. 29535

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the application of  
THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH  
COMPANY for an order authorizing the  
discontinuance of Ager Exchange, and  
the establishment of a public toll  
station to be designated Ager, Siskiyou  
County, California.

Application No. 20988

ORIGINAL

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation, operating a telephone system in California and elsewhere, herein seeks authority to discontinue its Ager Exchange and to establish a toll station at Ager.

It is stated in the application that in the year 1911 an exchange was established to serve the Ager community, that the exchange reached a maximum of twenty-three (23) telephone stations in 1913, and that since then its number of stations has steadily decreased until November 19, 1936, when its exchange development consisted of a coin-box telephone located on a porch, available for use by the public, and a telephone in the residence of the Company's agent. It appears that there is no present or potential future requirement for exchange telephone service at Ager and vicinity. A toll station available to the public should meet the requirements of the community.

In accordance with its California system of toll rates, the interexchange rate for the initial period of a station-to-station message between the present Ager and Hornbrook Exchanges is five (5) cents. Under the same system of toll rates, the charge for a similar message between Hornbrook Exchange and the proposed Ager

toll station would be ten (10) cents. Charges for interexchange service between Ager toll station and other toll stations and exchanges would be unchanged.

Applicant submitted with its application, a map showing a proposed revision of its Montague exchange area to include a portion of the present Ager exchange area and certain unassigned territory. That portion of the Ager exchange area which includes Ager and vicinity would become unassigned territory.

Mr. J. A. Ager, agent at Ager for the Company, has signified by letter, a copy of which was attached to the application herein, that the establishment of the proposed toll station will be satisfactory to him.

The Commission has given careful consideration to this application, and is of the opinion that the authority requested should be granted, and that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not required, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company be and it is hereby authorized to discontinue its Ager Exchange, to withdraw its rate schedules and maps effective for exchange telephone service in the Ager exchange area, to establish a toll telephone station to be designated "Ager," Siskiyou County, California, to cancel and withdraw the present five (5) cent interexchange rate for service between Ager and Hornbrook, to establish interexchange rates for toll service between Ager toll station and all other toll points on the basis used by applicant generally throughout the State of California, and to extend the Montague exchange area as set forth in Exhibit "C" attached to the application herein, provided

(1) The authority above given shall be effective on or before April 1, 1937.

(2) The necessary filings of rate schedules and maps of territory, in accordance with General Order No. 68, shall be submitted to the Railroad Commission not less than fifteen (15) days immediately preceding the effective date referred to in (1) above.

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

February, 1937.

Arthur H. Mason

Leon Whittell

Joseph R. Kellum

Ray L. Kelley  
Commissioners.