## Decision No. 23326

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of ) PUBLIC UTILITIES CALIFORNIA CORPORATION ) for an order permitting temporary waiver) of certain service connection charges ) on the telephone system serving Ferndele) and vicinity.

Application No. 21242

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BY THE COMMISSION:

## O P I N I O N

In this application Public Utilities California Corporation, operating a telephone system in Ferndale and vicinity, requests the Railroad Commission to make an order authorizing applicant to waive certain service connection charges now applicable in its Ferndale Exchange for a period of ninety (90) days and to restore said charges at the expiration of such ninety (90) day period.

The payment of a service connection charge is required as a precedent to the establishment of telephone service. Applicant's Original Sheet C. R. C. No. 313-T, Ferndale No. 57-T, on file with the Commission, sets forth a service connection charge of three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) for each business or residence new or additional individual or party line station, for each new or additional private branch exchange trunk, and for each new private branch exchange station. A charge of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) is set forth for each business or residence extension station, each private branch exchange station ordered

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more than sixty (60) days after the date of the initial establishment of the subscriber's private branch exchange service, and each business or residence subscriber's exchange service where the instrumentalities are in place.

Applicant states the belief that the waiving of service connection charges for ninety (90) days will result in a number of new subscribers availing themselves of the Ferndale service. The addition of new subscribers will also increase the availability and value of present subscribers' services.

## <u>o r d e r</u>

Public Utilities California Corporation having requested the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the waiving of service connection charges in its Ferndale Exchange for a period of ninety (90) days and the restoration of said charges at the end of said ninety (90) day period, and it appearing that this is not a matter in which a formal hearing is required,

The Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby finds as a fact that Public Utilities California Corporation should be authorized to discontinue all of its service connection charges in its Ferndale Exchange for a period of ninety (90) days and to restore service connection charges similar to those now on file, effective at the end of said ninety (90) day period; and, basing its order on the foregoing finding of fact,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Public Utilities California

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Corporation may submit to the Railroad Commission for filing on or before July 20, 1937 a cancellation of its Rule and Regulation No. 30 for the Ferndale Exchange, effective August 1,1937.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Public Utilities California Corporation may on or before October 20, 1937 submit to the Railroad Commission for filing a Rule and Regulation No. 30 for its Ferndale Exchange, effective November 1, 1937, restoring the service connection charges now effective in said exchange except that the service connection charge for each new or additional private branch exchange station shall be one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50).

Dated at San Francisco, California, this And day of July, 1937.

Commissioners