

Decision No. 21562

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of the
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TELEPHONE COMPANY,
a corporation, for permission to purchase
and acquire certain telephone properties
located in the vicinity of Winterhaven,
Imperial County, California, and to file
and make effective rates for telephone
service in that vicinity.

Application No. 21562

Oscar Lawler and James G. Marshall, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this proceeding the Railroad Commission is asked to enter its order authorizing the Southern California Telephone Company to purchase and acquire for the sum of \$500. the telephone properties of The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company located in the vicinity of Winterhaven, Imperial County, California, and "to publish and file a schedule of rates indicating the charges applicable to various classes, types and grades of service, in addition to a map delineating the area in California in which it proposes to render telephone service from the Yuma, Arizona Exchange".

It appears from the petition that Southern California Telephone Company for some time past has been rendering telephone and telegraph service to the residents and transient public in the vicinity of Winterhaven, Imperial County, California, by means of toll station service. In addition to this service, The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company is rendering service to various subscribers by means of pole line and equipment connected to its switchboard located in Yuma, Arizona. Applicant Southern California Telephone Company asks permission to acquire at a cost of \$500. the pole line and equipment of The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company located

within the State of California.

The cost new less depreciation of the properties as of July 31, 1936 is reported at \$546. segregated as follows:-

Station apparatus	\$227.
Station installations	114.
Exchange pole lines	117.
Exchange aerial wire including drop or block wire	88.

The station apparatus consists of 4 wall telephone sets, 4 desk telephone sets and 14 hand telephone sets.

Upon acquiring the aforesaid properties the Southern California Telephone Company desires to render telephone service in the area shown on the map filed in this proceeding as Exhibit B, which is identified as the California Zone of the Yuma Exchange. The schedule of rates which applicant Southern California Telephone Company desires to file and make effective to the various classes, types and grades of service within said proposed California Zone of the Yuma Exchange are set forth in Exhibit C filed in this proceeding.

It appears to us that The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company properties situated in California should be acquired by the Southern California Telephone Company and the telephone service in the vicinity of Winterhaven rendered by said company.

ORDER

The Commission having considered the request of applicant Southern California Telephone Company, and it being of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that this application should be granted subject to the provisions of this order, therefore,


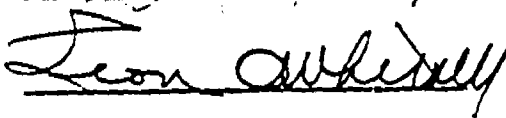
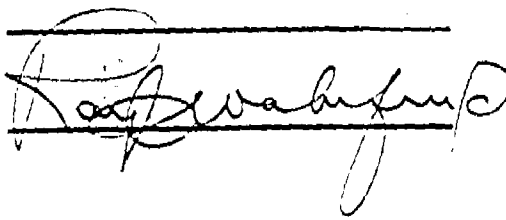
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that on or before March 1, 1938, The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company may sell to Southern California Telephone Company and Southern California Telephone Company may acquire for the sum of \$500., the properties described in Exhibit A filed in this proceeding, together with such additions and betterments as may have been added to said properties subsequent to July 29, 1936.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that upon the acquisition of said properties by Southern California Telephone Company, said Southern California Telephone Company may render telephone service in the area delineated on the map filed in this proceeding as Exhibit B, and file and make effective and continue in effect, until otherwise directed by the Commission, for the various classes, types and grades of service within the proposed California Zone of the Yuma Exchange, the schedule of rates, rules and regulations filed in this proceeding as Exhibit C.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that within thirty(30) days after the acquisition of the aforesaid properties by said Southern California Telephone Company, it shall file with the Commission a copy of the bill of sale or other instrument under which it acquired and holds title to said properties.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority granted herein will be effective within twenty(20) days after the date hereof.

DATED at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of November, 1937.

Commissioners.