

Decision No. 3425110

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application  
of the Mackay Radio and Telegraph  
Company for authority to file  
Press Rates.

Application No. 23309.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N   A N D   O R D E R

Mackay Radio and Telegraph Company, a corporation engaged in the telegraph business in California and elsewhere, herein requests authority to file Press Rates and to make the same legally effective.

It is the practice of some telegraph companies to accept messages from the Press at rates lower than those applied for other classes of service. Applicant has been handling approximately forty (40) messages per month for the Press on the irregular basis of pricing the same at less than the filed rates. The present application was made for authority to correct this irregularity by having on file with the Commission the rates which applicant desires to charge. Applicant proposes to accept Day Press Messages at one-third the full day message rate, and Night Press Messages at one-sixth the full day message rate. These fractional discounts are the same as those filed with the Railroad Commission by other telegraph companies. Applicant also desires to file a minimum charge of ten cents (10¢) for Press Messages.

The Commission has given consideration to this request of applicant and is of the opinion that the same should be granted and that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not required, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Mackay Radio and Telegraph Company may file and make effective on or before May 1, 1940 a schedule of charges for Press Messages allowing the acceptance of Day Press Messages at one-third the full message rates and Night Press Messages at one-sixth the full day message rates and establishing a minimum charge of ten cents (10¢) for any Press Message, provided the rate schedule therefor is submitted to the Railroad Commission of the State of California for filing in accordance with General Order No. 68 not later than ten (10) days immediately preceding the effective date thereof.

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1940.

Ray L. Berry  
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Justin J. Coe  
(Commissioners)