

Decision No. 32881

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH  
COMPANY, a corporation, for an order  
permitting temporary waiver of cer-  
tain charges for changing the type  
of telephone sets connected to and  
served by its exchange at Walnut  
Creek, California.

Application No. 23346

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, operating a general telephone system in California and other states, in this application asks for authority to waive certain charges for changing from one type of subscriber telephone set to another in its Walnut Creek exchange for a certain designated period of time.

Applicant now has on file with the Railroad Commission a charge of \$1.50 for a change from desk set to hand set or vice versa, for a change from wall set to hand set or vice versa, and for a change from wall set to desk set telephone or vice versa.

The Pacific Company has undertaken the conversion of its Walnut Creek exchange from manual to dial operation, with a scheduled completion date of August 8, 1940. All telephones will be replaced with instruments equipped with dials. It is proposed to replace wall or desk telephones with hand sets and wall sets with desk sets without the application of the "change charge" provided the change is made at the time of installation of the dial telephones. This work can be performed at less expense during the period of the conversion of the Walnut Creek exchange from manual to dial operation. We believe that the

request of applicant is reasonable, is in the public interest and should be granted.

O R D E R

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company having made application for authority to waive certain change of instrument charges to subscribers receiving telephone service from its Walnut Creek exchange, for a period ending August 8, 1940, and it appearing that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is required,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA hereby finds as a fact that the waiving of the charges, referred to in the preceding Opinion, by The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company is justified.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company may file and make effective after the date of this Order a revised Move and Change Charges Schedule which will eliminate the charge for changing from wall or desk set type of telephone to hand set type of telephone, or from wall set type of telephone to desk set type of telephone in its Walnut Creek exchange.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, on or before August 1, 1940, may file with the Railroad Commission, effective August 9, 1940, a revised Move and Change Charges Schedule restoring the charges eliminated in accordance with the above section of this Order.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 1940.

Ray & Percy  
Frank Newman  
Robert W. ...  
James F. ...  
Commissioners