

Decision No. 36322

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
 Matthew B. Langstaff to sell and
 Ida Lockhart to purchase the tele-
 phone property of Matthew B. Langstaff,
 known as the Foresthill Telephone
 Exchange.

Application No. 25534

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order of the Railroad Commission authorizing Matthew B. Langstaff to sell and transfer telephone properties in the town and vicinity of Foresthill, Placer County, to Ida Lockhart.

Matthew B. Langstaff desires to be relieved of the responsibility of operating the telephone public utility on account of the requirements of other business in which he is engaged.

Ida Lockhart, at present employed as operator by Foresthill Telephone Exchange, desires to purchase and acquire the property for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) and to conduct the business under the name and style of Foresthill Telephone Exchange. For the year 1942 it is reported that the operating revenues of Foresthill Telephone Exchange were \$838.83.

The original cost of the properties is unknown. A list of the said properties set forth in Exhibit "B" attached to the application shows the following items:

- 1 - No. 21 Western Electric Switchboard equipped for 20 lines (central office equipment)
- 11 - telephone stations
- 32 - exchange poles
- 7.25- single wire miles No. 9 iron, aerial (6.5 miles on tree construction on split knobs)
- 15 - wall type telephone sets (total)
- 7 - desk type telephone sets (total)

Copies of the agreement between Matthew B. Langstaff and Ida Lockhart covering the sale and purchase of the Foresthill Telephone Exchange properties for three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) and of the bill of sale were attached to the application as Exhibit "C."

The Commission has considered the application and is of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not required and that the transfer of the Foresthill Telephone Exchange properties to Ida Lockhart should be authorized, subject to the provisions of this Opinion and Order, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Matthew B. Langstaff, operating a telephone business under the name and style of Foresthill Telephone Exchange, be and he hereby is authorized to sell and transfer, on or before June 1, 1943, the telephone properties described in the application, to Ida Lockhart; and Ida Lockhart be and she hereby is authorized to acquire and operate said telephone properties, provided

1. That the consideration paid by Ida Lockhart for said telephone properties shall not be urged as a measure of value of said properties for the purpose of fixing rates;
2. That within thirty (30) days after the sale and transfer of the telephone properties under the authority herein granted, Ida Lockhart shall file with the Railroad Commission a certified copy of the bill of sale under which she holds title to said properties;
3. That Ida Lockhart shall file with the Railroad Commission not later than the tenth day immediately preceding the transfer of said telephone properties a notice that she adopts the tariff schedules, including rates, and rules and regulations, then operative in the service territory of the Foresthill Telephone Exchange.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of April, 1943.

Francis D. Havenner
John J. Quinn
Richard L. Locke
Stanley K. Lewis
(Commissioners)