

Decision No. 39766**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of RUTH S. JONES for an order)
authorizing her to transfer, sell) Application
and convey the TUOLUMNE TELEPHONE) No. 28048
EXCHANGE line and property operated)
as a public utility.)
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OPINION AND ORDER

Ruth S. Jones is the owner of a public utility telephone system in and near the Town of Tuolumne, County of Tuolumne, State of California. For 1945, she reports operating revenues of \$7,998.89, and for the current year, to November 23rd, \$7,965.44. She now has 167 telephone stations on her system.

In this application, she asks permission to sell her telephone properties to Frances K. Warren, a resident of the Town of Tuolumne. Because of the illness of Ruth S. Jones, Frances K. Warren is presently operating the telephone switchboard. The agreement of sale covers not only the telephone properties of Ruth S. Jones but also some land, buildings, and household properties. The total consideration to be paid for the properties is \$18,375, which is allocated to the several items of property as follows:

Tuolumne Telephone Exchange property	\$ 6,997
Real estate	2,500
Buildings	5,000
Personal property consisting of household equipment, refrigerator, stoves, rugs, etc.	<u>3,878</u>
Total	<u>\$18,375</u>

The consideration is to be paid in cash when and if the sale is authorized by the Commission and a title report is delivered to purchaser showing good title to the real property used in connection with the Tuolumne Telephone Exchange.

The telephone properties will be operated by the purchaser and her husband, Francis Warren.

In Exhibit "C" Frances K. Warren agrees to adopt and abide by the tariff schedules and rates which Ruth S. Jones now has on file with the Commission.

The Commission has considered applicant's request and is of the opinion that this is not a matter on which a hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Ruth S. Jones may, after the date hereof and on or before March 1, 1947, sell and convey her Tuolumne Telephone Exchange properties, to which reference is made in this application, to Frances K. Warren, such sale and conveyance to be made in accordance with the agreement on file in this application. Frances K. Warren may acquire and operate said telephone exchange properties, provided she adopts the rates and tariffs which Ruth S. Jones now has on file with the Commission.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the properties herein authorized to be transferred.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that within thirty (30) days after the acquisition of said properties, Frances K. Warren

shall file with the Commission a copy of the deed or other instrument of conveyance under which she has acquired and holds title to said properties.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23rd day of December, 1946.

Harold P. Heds
Justin J. Craven
Bruno Bern
David K. Howell
A. J. [unclear]
Commissioners