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Decision No. 45022

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ASSOCIATED TELEPHONE COMPANY, LTD. and OXNARD HOME TELEPHONE COMPANY

for an order (a) authorizing Associated Telephone Company, Ltd., to acquire all of the outstanding stock of Oxnard Home Telephone Company and to issue shares of its Common Stock in exchange therefor; and, (b) in the event that all of the outstanding stock of Oxnard Home Telephone Company shall be acquired by Associated Telephone Company, Ltd. authorizing (l) Associated Telephone Company, Ltd. to acquire all of the properties and assets and to assume all of the obligations and liabilities of Oxnard Home Telephone Company to convey and transfer all of its properties and assets to Associated Telephone Company, Ltd., and (3) Associated Telephone Company, Ltd. to render service in the territory now served by Oxnard Home Telephone Company and Oxnard Home Telephone Company to discontinue service in such territory.

## Application No. 30540 (Third Supplemental)

## SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

The Commission, by Decision No. 43287, dated September 13, 1949, as amended, authorized Oxnard Home Telephone Company to transfer and convey all its properties to Associated Telephone Company, Ltd., and directed said Associated Telephone Company, Ltd. to file, on or before July 1, 1950, a copy of each of its proposed journal entries to record on its books the acquisition of said properties.

Thereafter, Associated Telephone Company, Ltd. acquired such properties at a total reported purchase price of \$718,111.07.

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In its third supplemental application filed on June 29, 1950, it submitted to the Commission, as Exhibit A attached thereto, a summary of an historical reproduction cost appraisal of said properties as of September 30, 1949, with the associated depreciation reserve and, as Exhibit B, its proposed journal entry to distribute the purchase price to primary plant and other accounts in accordance with such appraisal.

A summary of the proposed entry is as follows:

Charges to plant accounts	\$1,098,964.54
Credits -	
To depreciation reserve	\$ 336,317.53
To deferred accounts	20,000.00
To acquisition adjustment	24,535.94
To telephone plant acquired	718,111.07
Totals	<u>\$1,098,964.54</u> <u>\$1,098,964.54</u>

The company asks the Commission to approve the appraisal and to authorize it to record the journal entry on its books.

The record in this proceeding indicates that the property records of the former owner of the telephone system were incomplete and that an inventory and appraisal were necessary to ascertain historical costs. The staff of the Commission has reviewed the appraisal figures now submitted by the company and reports that it has no exceptions to take in the matter.

The Commission has considered the third supplemental application and is of the opinion that the company should place on its books estimated historical costs and estimated depreciation reserve in lieu of the book figures of its predecessor, and that the appraisal filed as Exhibit A to the third supplemental application should be approved for this purpose; therefore,

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Associated Telephone Company, Ltd. may enter on its books the proposed journal entry filed as Exhibit B with its third supplemental application in this proceeding.

This second supplemental order shall become effective twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>Jet</u> day of November, 1950.

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