

ORIGINAL

Decision No. A7788

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of)
THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH)
COMPANY, a corporation, and)
INTERSTATE TELEGRAPH COMPANY, a)
corporation, for authority for THE)
PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH)
COMPANY to sell certain telephone)
facilities to INTERSTATE TELEGRAPH)
COMPANY.)

Application No. 33687

OPINION AND ORDER

This is an application for an order authorizing The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company to sell for \$7,625 certain toll facilities in the vicinity of Highland, San Bernardino County, to the Interstate Telegraph Company. The facilities proposed to be sold by Pacific Company include 119 crossarms, 23.84 miles of copper wire and one carrier terminal, which are more particularly described in the proposed bill of sale attached to the application as Exhibit "A".

Interstate Company now owns certain toll facilities extending from its Big Bear Lake exchange in San Bernardino County to a point within the Pacific Company's Highland exchange about 1-3/10 miles northeast of the Highland central office. Pacific Company owns the toll facilities from this point of connection to the Highland central office, said toll facilities being supported on a pole lead which is also used for exchange facilities of the Pacific Company. Interstate Company desires to acquire ownership of the above-mentioned toll facilities of the Pacific Company, exclusive of poles, within the Highland exchange. The application states that such ownership and operation of the toll facilities

between Big Bear Lake and Highland by Interstate Company will conform with present settlement arrangements between these companies for traffic interchanged over this toll route.

It appears from the application that the cash payment of \$7,625 which Interstate Company has agreed to pay Pacific Company for the above-mentioned toll facilities represents the current cost thereof at open market prices less allowance for observed depreciation. The original book cost of said facilities is stated to be \$5,707.

The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing thereon is not necessary; that the transfer will not be adverse to the public interest; and that the application should be granted, as herein provided; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, after the effective date hereof and on or before December 31, 1952, may sell the facilities described in the proposed bill of sale attached to the application as Exhibit "A" to Interstate Telegraph Company pursuant to the terms of said proposed bill of sale, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicants shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission in writing of the date of such completion of the property transfer herein authorized.

2. The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the properties herein authorized to be sold and transferred.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of October, 1952.

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President
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Commissioners.