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Decision No. <u>52119</u>

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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, for authority) to publish, file and place in effect) exchange and interexchange rates in) an exchange to be designated Campo,) San Diego County, California.

Application No. 37270

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, by the above-entitled application, filed September 2, 1955, requests authority to (1) establish an exchange in San Diego County, to be known as Campo, with exchange and base rate area boundaries as shown on Exhibits A and B, respectively, filed herein, (2) file and make effective exchange and toll rates for the Campo exchange and (3) revise the boundary of applicant's Chula Vista exchange to exclude therefrom that portion of the exchange proposed to be included in the Campo exchange.

Campo is located in the southern part of San Diego County, approximately 35 miles east of Chula Vista. The application shows that within the approximately 171 square miles of territory applicant proposes be included in the Campo exchange area are located the communities of Campo, Morena Lake Village, Potrero, and Tecate. Applicant asserts that at the present time the only telephone service provided in the proposed exchange area consists of 34 public and semipublic toll stations, that no exchange telephone service is being furnished in the portion of the Chula Vista exchange proposed for inclusion in the new Campo exchange area, and that as a result of a canvass of the proposed Campo exchange area conducted by the applicant during the first four months of this year 180 prospective customers signed application cards for exchange telephone service.

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To meet the telephone needs in the Campo area, applicant proposes to establish an exchange, construct a central office and install equipment to provide dial service on a continuous hours of service basis. The proposed base rate area comprises approximately 2.9 square miles of territory and includes the community of Campo.

The rates which applicant proposes for exchange service are shown in Exhibit D of the application and, for the principal classifications, may be summarized as follows:

	<u>Rate per Month</u>	
	Business	Residence
Individual line flat rate Two-party line flat rate Four-party line flat rate Suburban ten-party line flat rate	\$6.00 4-75 4.50	\$3.80 3.25 2.70 3.20

Upon establishment of the Campo exchange, applicant proposes to establish a new toll rate center to be located in the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 10, Township 18 south, Range 5 east, San Bernardino Base and Meridian.1/

Applicant estimates that the establishment of the proposed exchange can be accomplished in November, 1955, and that the entire project will require an expenditure of 326,700.2During the first year of operation of the Campo exchange, applicant estimates the revenues will approximate \$25,300 at the rates proposed and the operating expenses, excluding income taxes, will approximate \$31,300.

The Commission has considered the above-entitled application and is of the opinion that a public hearing thereon is not necessary, and that the granting of the application as

1/ The block and section designation of the proposed toll rate center is HH 14-x.
2/ Exhibit E attached to the application.

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herein provided will not be adverse to the public interest, and should result in improved service. So which here the service of the service o

IT IS HEREBY FOUND AS A FACT that such increases in rates and charges as will result from the granting of this application are justified and that present rates in so far as they differ from those herein prescribed, upon the establishment of the Campo exchange, are unjust and unreasonable; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Applicant is authorized to file with this Commission, after the effective date of this order, and on or before March 31, 1956, in accordance with General Order No. 96, the changes in rates, conditions, rules and regulations for exchange and toll telephone services as set forth on Exhibit D attached to the application and as discussed above and maps of the exchange and base rate area substantially as set forth on Exhibits A and B, respectively, attached to the application, and after not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to make such rates effective for telephone service in the Campo exchange coincident with its establishment.
- 2. The proposed revision in the boundary of the Chula Vista exchange as set forth in Exhibit A attached to the application is authorized to be made effective coincident with the establishment of the Campo exchange.

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

San Francisco_, California, this 25-20 Dated at day of _, 1955. esident

Commissioners