

Decision No. 57501**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation on
 the Commission's own motion into the
 reasonableness of the rates, rules,
 regulations, charges, classifications,
 contracts, practices, operations and
 service, or any of them, of THE PACIFIC
 TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY,
 GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA,
 KERMAN TELEPHONE COMPANY and SANGER
 TELEPHONE COMPANY.

Case No. 5928

INTERIM ORDER

The Commission, after hearing in the above entitled proceeding, rendered its Decision No. 56728, finding as a fact that public convenience and necessity require the introduction of extended telephone service in the Fresno area on or before July 1, 1960, between the Fresno exchange, which is owned and operated by The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, and the Caruthers, Clovis and Del Rey exchanges, which are also owned and operated by said company; and between Fresno exchange and the Fowler exchange, which is owned and operated by General Telephone Company of California. Said decision also prescribed increases in rates and charges in order to effect such increased and improved service. By separate Decision No. 56729 the amended application of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company for extended service only between Fresno and Clovis was dismissed as it was covered by Decision No. 56728 in the instant proceeding.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company thereafter sought and obtained an order, Decision No. 56832, extending the effective date of said Decision No. 56728 to 90 days after May 28,

1958. Thereafter, and on August 15, 1958, and more than ten days before the effective date of said order, The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company filed its petition for rehearing of the entire proceeding, which petition for rehearing effectively suspended Decision No. 56728. Thereafter, and on September 10, 1958, the Commission made its order granting rehearing on the aforementioned petition of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Commission that the public interest imperatively requires that extended service be afforded by The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company at the earliest possible date between its Fresno and Clovis exchanges as the boundaries for such exchanges presently appear in maps filed as part of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company's tariff schedules as contemplated by Decision No. 56728, and it further appearing that the matter of the rates for such extended service need not be fixed at this time, but that such rates can and will ultimately be fixed in Case No. 5928;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, effective as of the date hereof, proceed forthwith to make necessary plant changes to provide extended service between its Fresno and Clovis exchanges as outlined above, in order that such extended service be introduced on or before July 1, 1960; and that the rates to apply to such service, when inaugurated, will hereafter be fixed in Case No. 5928.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st day of October, 1958.

E. Lynn Fox
President
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Commissioners