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Decision No. 60557

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 sell to Southern California Gas Company, Los Angeles, California, certain private mobile radiotelephone system equipment and enter into certain leases.

Application No. 42382

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company filed this application June 21, 1960, seeking authority pursuant to Section 851 of the Public Utilities Code to sell certain private mobile radiotelephone equipment to Southern California Gas Company and to waive applicable basic termination charges.

Applicant states that it is now furnishing this equipment to purchaser on a lease-maintenance basis under a contract dated August 19, 1954, as modified; that the book cost of the equipment is approximately \$174,600; that purchaser has agreed to pay and it has agreed to accept the sum of \$95,039 for the equipment; that it has further agreed to waive basic termination charges amounting to approximately \$16,700; and that consummation of this transaction will not impair its operations or its abilities to perform its duties to the public.

For the reasons stated in Decision No. 59031, dated September 22, 1959, in Application No. 41211, the order hereiz will provide that applicant shall submit a cost determination showing any unrecovered costs related to this sale of private mobile communications equipment.

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The Commission has considered this matter and is of the opinion and finds that the granting of the application subject to the conditions set forth herein is not adverse to the public interest and that a public hearing is not necessary; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that after the effective date of this order and on or before September 30, 1960, applicant is authorized to sell to Southern California Gas Company for \$95,039 the private mobile communications equipment described in Exhibit A attached to the application and to waive the basic termination charges applicable to such equipment, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall prepare and submit to this Commission a cost determination showing, with supporting detail, any unrecovered costs related to this sale of equipment, computed as described in Decision No. 59031 of this Commission.

2. Applicant shall account for the sale of operative public utility property herein authorized in accordance with the "Instructions for Telephone Plant Accounts," Section 31.2-25, subsection (g) as set forth in the Uniform System of Accounts for Class A and Class B Telephone Companies prescribed by this Commission effective January 1, 1958. Applicant shall furnish to this Commission a copy of the journal entry or entries used to record this sale on its books of account.

3. Within ninety days after the authority herein granted is exercised, applicant shall notify this Commission in writing of the date of the completion of the sale of property hercin authorized and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

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The action taken herein shall not be construed to be a finding of the value of the property herein authorized to be sold.

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

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