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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 establish the Beale Air Force Base Trailer Area as a special rate area in the Marysville exchange.

Application No. 43512

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company filed this application on June 16, 1961, seeking authority under Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code to (1) establish a special rate area in the Marysville exchange to be designated the Beale AFB Trailer Area special rate area, with a boundary substantially as shown on Exhibit A, (2) file and make effective coincident with the establishment of the special rate area for Beale AFB Trailer Area rates as shown on Exhibit B, and (3) change the designation of the present special rate area for Beale AFB to Beale AFB Capehart Area.

Applicant states as follows: That Beale Air Force Base Trailer Area is located about 6 miles east of Marysville and about 3-1/2 miles west of the Beale AFB special rate area, or 24/4 and 14/4 miles, respectively; that because of the suburban mileage, Marysville urban service rates or Beale AFB special rate area rates, plus mileage charges, were considered excessive by some prospective customers that suburban 10-party line service was considered unsuitable as most of the air force personnel residing in the trailer area are on 24-hour call; and that, accordingly, the base commander, Colonel R. B. Hurley, wrote to applicant requesting rate treatment for the trailer area comparable to that furnished in the special rate area serving the Capehart housing area.

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Applicant further states that the Beele AFE Trailer Area has 175 spaces with 144 presently occupied and that the Air Force plans to fill the remaining spaces as rapidly as possible. As of March 31, 1961, telephone development in the trailer area was 86 main stations. If special rate area treatment is authorized, applicant estimates a total of 150 main stations will be in service in the near future.

The rates which applicant proposes for primary service in the Beale AFB Trailer Area special rate area are Marysville base rates plus an incremental amount equivalent to a 2/4 suburban mileage charge. This incremental charge gives recognition to the distance to the Marysville base rate area. The rates proposed by applicant for principal grades of service within the Beale AFB Trailer Area are as follows:

| | Proposed Beale AFB Trailer |
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| | Area SRA |
| <u>Business</u> Individual line, flat 2-Party line, flat PBX trunks, flat Semipublic, individual line Suburban, flat Farmer line, flat | \$10.25 7.80 14.75 2.00 plus .24 per day Not offered Not offered |
| <u>Residence</u> Individual line, flat 2-Party line, flat 4-Party line, flat Suburban, flat Farmer line, flat | <pre>\$ 5.65 4.30 3.50 Not offered Not offered</pre> |

Applicant proposes that urban services located within the Merysville exchange but outside the Marysville base rate erea, Beale ASE special rate area and the proposed Beale AFB Trailer Area special rate area would be furnished at either the special rate area rates

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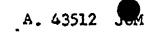
plus suburban mileage charges to the nearest point on the boundary of the corresponding special rate area or at Marysville base rates plus suburban mileage charges to the nearest point on the Marysville base rate area boundary, whichever results in the lower charge to the subscriber.

Applicant's estimate of revenue effects of establishing a special rate area at Beale AFB Trailer Area, based on March, 1961 development indicates that net revenues will be decreased about \$2,400 on an annual basis. Ultimate development will result in a net increase of about \$1,400 annually.

The Commission has given consideration to this matter and is of the opinion that a public hearing is not necessary. We find that a granting of the application, as herein provided, will result in improved service and not be adverse to the public interest. We further find that such increases in rates or charges as will result from granting this application are justified and that, for the future, present rates in so far as they differ from those herein prescribed will be unjust and unreasonable upon establishment of the Beale AFB Trailer Area special rate area; therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that after the effective date of this order and on or before October 31, 1961, applicant is authorized to file with this Commission, in conformity with General Order No. 96, tariff schedules revised to show Beale AFB Trailer Area special rate area with a boundary substantially as indicated on Exhibit A attached to the application and rates proposed by applicant for the special rate erea as shown on Exhibit B attached to the application and to change who designation of the present special rate area for Beale AFB to

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Beale AFB Capehart Area, and, upon not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to make said rates effective for service coincident with the establishment of the Beale AFB Trailer Area special rate area.

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

Dated at <u>San Prancisco</u>, California, this <u>22</u> day of <u>AUGUST</u>, 1961.

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