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Decision No. 63334

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of CALIFORNIA INTERSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY, a corporation, for authority to install, maintain, and operate an unattended dial automatic exchange and to provide telephone exchange service in the El Mirage Exchange Area, and to file and make effective rates for telephone service in said existing exchange area.

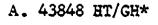
Application No. 43848

OPINION AND ORDER

California Interstate Telephone Company, a corporation, by the above-entitled application filed October 19, 1961, seeks authority to install, maintain, and operate an unattended dial automatic exchange, to provide telephone exchange service in its El Mirage Exchange area in unincorporated territory of San Bernardino County, as shown on Exhibit B attached to the application and to make effective rates for telephone service in said Exchange area as shown by Exhibit D attached to the application.

By Decision No. 58072, dated March 2, 1959, in Case No. 6058, the applicant herein was authorized to establish a telephone exchange area west of its Victorville Exchange over to the San Bernardino-Los Angeles County boundary line, but at that time furnish only toll service in the area. The El Mirage Exchange Service area, as it is now designated, is bounded on the north by the applicant's Boron Exchange, on the south by its Wrightwood Exchange, on the east by its Victorville Exchange, and on the west by the Big Butte and High Vista Exchanges.

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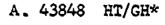
At the present time, approximately 12 residences and four business establishments are located within the area, and the applicant holds ten applications for residential service and two for business service. The El Mirage Improvement Association, by its letter dated November 20, 1961, stated that it represented a majority of the people affected by the application; that it believed there was no need for the holding of a public hearing on the application; and that it supported the application. Others, by letters to the Commission, supported the application and requested that its approval be expedited.

Exhibit A, attached to the application, shows the location of the proposed toll rate center in the S E quarter of Section 13, T6N, R7W, SBB&M. Exhibit C attached to the application shows the proposed El Mirage Base Rate Area; however, it appears that better administration of the exchange requires that the east and west boundary lines of the base rate area be moved one-quarter mile west to coincide with the east and west section lines of Sections 13 and 24, T6N, R7W, SBB&M.

The cost of the purchase of a parcel of land, the construction of a central office building, fencing and grading, the installation of dial central office equipment, the construction of toll facilities, the construction of exchange distribution facilities, and the installation of telephones, estimated at \$70,280, will be financed by the applicant out of its treasury.

Applicant requests that the Commission amend its ordering paragraph No. 3, Decision No. 58072, Case No. 6058, to remove the stipulation that it may only provide toll station service within the El Mirage Exchange.

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The proposed rates are at the applicant's lower level exchange rates offered in single office exchanges.

The Commission has considered the application and finds and concludes that a public hearing is not necessary, and that the public interest requires that the application should be granted except as to a modification of the proposed location of the base rate area boundaries; therefore,

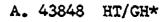
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. That the application of California Interstate Telephone Company, a corporation, for authority to install, maintain, and operate an unattended dial automatic exchange and to provide telephone exchange service in its El Mirage Exchange area, as said area is delineated on the map, Exhibit B, attached to the application; to establish a toll rate center in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 13, Township 6N, R7W, SBB6M, as shown on the plat, Exhibit A, attached to the application; to establish a base rate area as shown by Exhibit C attached to the application; and to file and make effective rates for telephone service in the El Mirage Exchange area, as said rates are set forth in Exhibit D attached to the application, be and it is granted except that the east and west boundary lines of the base rate area be and they are moved one-quarter mile west to coincide with the east and west section lines of Sections 13 and 24, T6N, R7W, SBB6M.

2. That the applicant be and it is authorized to file, in accordance with General Order No. 96-A, revised tariffs and maps conforming to the application as filed, but modified as to the location of the base rate area boundaries contained in ordering paragraph 1. herein.

3. That the restriction to toll service only within the El Mirage Exchange provided by Decision No. 58072, Case No. 6058 is withdrawn and the portion of ordering paragraph 3 therein reading:

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"at this time only toll station service shall be provided to reasonably meet the telephone needs of the few residents and industries in the area" is hereby annulled and is of no further force and effect.

4. That the applicant shall, within ninety days after the effective date hereof and every ninety days thereafter until completed, file with the Commission in writing reports of its progress in the installation of the exchange facilities.

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

San Francisco _, California, this Dated at 26 the day of February 1962. ~? > President

Commissioners

Commissioner George G. Grover ..., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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