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Decision No. 68185

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of THE PACIFIC TELE-PHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for authority to establish the Rutherford special rate area within the St. Helena exchange.

Application No. 47005 (Filed September 25, 1964)

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company has requested authority to establish the Rutherford special rate area within the St. Helena exchange in accordance with Exhibits A and B attached to the application, and to furnish urban grades of service at rates set forth in Exhibit C as follows:

	Rate Per Month	
	Present	Froposed
Business		
1-Party 2-Party Semipublic	\$ 7.00* 5.60* .75 plus* .21 per day	\$ 7.50 5.95 1.25 plus .21 per day
PBX Trunks Suburban Farmer Line	10.50* 5.10 1.55	11.00 Not offered 1.65**
Residence		
1-Party 2-Party 4-Party Suburban Farmer Line	\$ 4.40* 3.60* 3.00* 3.50 .90	\$ 4.90 3.95 3.25 Not offered 1.00**

*Plus suburban mileage charges. **Applicable to service connecting at the Special Rate Area.

The special rate area covers approximately 2 square miles of area and includes approximately 117 residences, grocery store, garage, tractor company, general store, beauty salon, plumbing shop, two cafes, bus depot and two wineries. As of May, 1964, applicant

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furnished 54 suburban and 34 urban services within the proposed special rate area. Applicant represents that annual revenues would decrease by approximately \$1,100 after normal regrading. It appears that granting the application should result in improved service in the public interest.

The Commission finds that the applicant's request should be granted; that a public hearing is not necessary; that such increases in rates and charges as will result are justified; and that, for the future, present rates, insofar as they differ from those herein prescribed, would be unjust and upreasonable upon the establishment of the Rutherford special rate area.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. After the effective date of this order and on or before July 1, 1965, applicant is authorized to file with this Commission in conformance with General Order No. 96-A, tariff schedules revised to show the Rutherford special rate area within the St. Helena exchange with a boundary substantially as set forth in Exhibits A and B attached to the application and rates for service within the said special rate area as set forth in Exhibit C attached to the application, and after not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, to make said rates effective for service coincident with establishment of the said special rate area.

2. Applicant is authorized to withdraw suburban telephone service within the proposed Rutherford special rate area upon

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establishment of such special rate area.

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

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