

ORIGINALDecision No. 70490

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Suspension and Investigation on the Commission's own motion of tariffs covering exchange area expansion in the Petrolia exchange of the Petrolia Telephone Company.

Case No. 8217

THE WESTERN TELEPHONE COMPANY,
Complainant,

vs.

Case No. 8222

PETROLIA TELEPHONE COMPANY,
Defendant.

In the Matter of the Application of THE WESTERN TELEPHONE COMPANY, a California corporation, for authority to establish exchange telephone service in applicant's New Thorn and Shelter Cove toll station areas; the new exchange to be known as the Shelter Cove exchange.

Application No. 47685

Order Permanently Suspending Advice Letter No. 10
and Suspending Substitute Advice Letter No. 11.

IT APPEARING that:

On July 7, 1965, the Commission issued an order of suspension and investigation, Case No. 8217, which, among other things, suspended the effective date until October 5, 1965 of certain tariff sheets filed under Advice Letter No. 10 by the Petrolia Telephone Company for the expansion of its Petrolia exchange to include the community of Shelter Cove pending an investigation, hearing and decision thereon.

On October 5, 1965, the Commission issued an order extending the period of suspension on said Advice Letter No. 10 to April 5, 1966.

Public hearings on said Case No. 8217; Case No. 8222, The Western Telephone Company vs. Petrolia in which complainant requests that the Commission permanently suspend Advice Letter No. 10; and Application No. 47685, by which The Western Telephone Company seeks authority to establish exchange telephone service in the area of New Thorn and Shelter Cove, part of which is involved in Advice Letter No. 10 were held on November 15, 16 and 17, 1965 and December 6, 7, 21 and 22, 1965.

On March 15, 1966, Petrolia Telephone Company requested permanent suspension of said Advice Letter No. 10, and a substitute for it was filed as Advice Letter No. 11 on March 18, 1966 to permit continuation of the investigation beyond the normal statutory limit of suspension.

A decision in the matters may not be rendered by April 5, 1966, and the Commission concludes that the new tariff filing should be suspended.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The operation of the tariff sheets filed under Advice Letter No. 10 is hereby permanently suspended.
2. The operation of the tariff sheets filed under Advice Letter No. 11 is hereby suspended to and including August 15, 1966, unless otherwise hereafter ordered.

The Secretary is directed to cause a certified copy of this order to be served forthwith upon Petrolia Telephone Company and to send a copy to The Western Telephone Company.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of MARCH, 1966.

Fredrick B. Hallock
President
W. C. Atchill
George A. Grover
Augustus
William L. Bennett
Commissioners