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Decision No. 71940

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE
AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for authority
to establish the Sunset special rate
area within the Moorpark Exchange. }

Application No. 48881
(Filed October 19, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company requests that this Commission without public hearing: (1) authorize establishment of the Sunset Special Rate Area in the Moorpark Exchange, Ventura County, with boundaries as set forth in Exhibits A and B attached to the application; (2) find the proposed rates shown in Exhibit C attached to the application, and rules affecting rates proposed in paragraph V of the application, just and reasonable and authorize the same to be made effective; (3) authorize withdrawal of suburban telephone service within the Moorpark Special Rate Area; and (4) grant such other and further relief as may be proper in the premises.

In support of its application the company alleges that: (1) there is popular demand for, and it is in the public interest to establish the proposed Sunset Special Rate Area; and (2) that the proposed rates are reasonable.

The Commission staff has reviewed the application and work papers, and has made a field inspection of the area. The report of this investigation is received in evidence as Exhibit No. 1. The staff recommended that the application be granted with a minor revision of the boundaries as outlined in Exhibit 1.

Present and Proposed Rates

Present and proposed rates for principal classifications of service are as follows:

	Rate Per Month	
	Present	Proposed
<u>Business</u>		
1-Party Flat	\$ 5.80*	\$ 6.80
2-Party Flat	4.50*	5.20
Semi-Public Coin	3.00*#	4.00#
Suburban	4.45	Not Offered
PBX Trunk	8.50*	9.50
<u>Residence</u>		
1-Party Flat	3.70*	4.70
2-Party Flat	3.00*	3.70
4-Party Flat	2.45*	2.95
Suburban	2.95	Not Offered

* Plus Suburban Mileage Charges.

As affected by Decision No. 71575 in Case No. 7409.

Other Rates and Rules in accordance with Tariffs on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California.

The increment proposed for special rate area treatment is equal to the charge for 2 one-quarter suburban miles. This increment gives appropriate consideration to development within the proposed special rate area, its distance of approximately 12 one-quarter miles from the nearest base rate area boundary, and the effect upon applicant's revenue of establishing the special rate area.

Characteristics of the Area and Subscriber Effects

The proposed Sunset Special Rate Area is approximately 0.5 square miles in area. Development within the area consists of 70 new residences completed or near completion and recreational facilities already partially in use. Density, based on the above, will be 140 per square mile.

The proposed special rate area lies north of the City of Thousand Oaks and east of Moorpark Road, approximately 12 one-quarter miles distant from the nearest base rate area boundary. Use of a special rate area increment equal to 2 one-quarter miles charge is consistent with the rate treatment applied to other similarly situated special rate areas.

Revenue Effects

In September 1966 there were no local exchange subscribers within the proposed special rate area, but 9 subscribers outside of the special rate area will benefit by reduction of mileage charges, resulting in an annual reduction of revenue of approximately \$100.

Applicant proposes to establish the Sunset Special Rate Area within six months after approval of applicant's proposal.

Findings

The Commission finds that: A public hearing is not necessary; that establishment of the proposed Sunset Special Rate Area, as described in the application, is in the public interest; that the rates authorized herein for the Sunset Special Rate Area are justified and reasonable; and, that withdrawal of suburban service within the Sunset Special Rate Area is justified and appropriate. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company is authorized to establish the Sunset Special Rate Area as requested in the application.

2. After the effective date of this order, applicant is authorized to file with this Commission, in conformity with General Order No. 96-A, exchange maps revised to show the Sunset Special Rate

Area within the Moorpark Exchange with a boundary substantially as shown in Exhibits A and B attached to the application, with minor modifications of boundaries as outlined in Exhibit 1.

3. Applicant is authorized to file, in conformity with General Order No. 96-A, rates for service within the said special rate area, as set forth in Exhibit C attached to the application, except the rate for semi-public coin service shall be \$4.00 per month, and rules, as set forth in Paragraph V of 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.

4. Applicant is authorized to withdraw suburban telephone service within the Sunset Special Rate Area upon establishment of said special rate area.

5. The authorization granted herein will expire unless exercised within one year of the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 31st day of JANUARY, 1967

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Commissioners