

Decision No. 77361

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY to relocate the district area boundary common to the Santa Ana and Trabuco district areas of the Santa Ana exchange, revise the local calling area of the revised Trabuco district area, convert the Rossmoor special rate area to the base rate area of the Trabuco district area and relocate the toll rate center of the Trabuco district area.

Application No. 51908
(Filed May 18, 1970)

O P I N I O N

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (hereafter referred to as "applicant") requests this Commission's authority to:

1. Realign the common boundary between the Santa Ana and Trabuco district areas of the Santa Ana exchange thereby transferring approximately 31 square miles to the Trabuco district area from the Santa Ana district area.
2. Revise the local calling area of the enlarged Trabuco district area to include the exchanges of Anaheim, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach, Newport Beach and Westminster in addition to the Capistrano Valley, Santa Ana and Orange exchanges which comprise the present local calling area of the present Trabuco district area.
3. Convert the Rossmoor Special Rate Area to the base rate area of the revised Trabuco district area with no change in monthly exchange rates.

4. Relocate the toll rate center of the revised Trabuco district area to a point more nearly the center of the present and foreseeable development. Coordinates for the relocated toll rate center would be V-9289 and H-7762.

In support of its application applicant alleges that rapid development in recent years has created a sizable community in the south central portion of the Santa Ana Exchange which is divided by the present boundary between the Santa Ana and Trabuco district areas. The differences in exchange service rates and local calling areas between customers within the community are creating numerous customer problems. The toll rate centers in the present district areas are in poor geographical relationship to the Rossmoor community causing unusually high toll rates to be charged for calls to nearby communities. Continuing rapid growth in the area will magnify the problems.

The applicant believes the proper solution to this problem requires the changes proposed in this application.

The area to be transferred encompasses the Rossmoor Leisure World development and several industrial and residential tracts now under construction. There are presently about 13,000 services within the area to be transferred. It is located in Orange County southeast from the City of Santa Ana and generally south of the intersection of the San Diego and Santa Ana freeways.

As a result of establishing a new toll rate point for the enlarged Trabuco district area, the toll charges to many Los Angeles metropolitan area exchanges will be increased for present Rossmoor special rate area customers and reduced for present Trabuco district area customers. Certain toll routes will become local and

some local routes will become toll routes. The changes in toll rates are detailed in Exhibits C and D of the application. Secretarial line customers will have mileage charges repriced with an overall gain of revenue of \$14,400.

The revenue increases estimated in this application amount to some \$138,500 per year; however, applicant filed on April 16, 1970, Advice Letter No. 10180 reducing its revenues by \$120,500 per year for service rendered in the general area of the revised Trabuco district area. This filing was approved by the Commission on May 5, 1970 by Resolution No. T-7009. The combined effect of Advice Letter No. 10180 and the instant application is a net annual increase of approximately \$18,000 in applicant's revenues.

General Telephone Company of California has been informed of applicant's proposal and has no objection insofar as it may affect service arrangements in their Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach and Westminster exchanges, and will provide the local calling area described in the application consistent with the authorization granted below.

Findings and Conclusions

The Commission finds that:

1. A public hearing is not necessary.
2. Realignment of the common boundary between the district areas of the Santa Ana Exchange, revision of the local calling area, relocation of the toll rate center for the Trabuco district area and conversion of the Rossmoor Special Rate Area to a base rate area with no change in monthly exchange rates are fair and reasonable and in the public interest.

3. The rates and charges authorized herein are just and reasonable and present rates and charges insofar as they differ therefrom, are for the future unreasonable after establishment of the boundary revisions and service changes authorized herein.

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (Pacific) is authorized to realign the common boundary between the Santa Ana and Trabuco district areas of the Santa Ana Exchange as described in the application.

2. Pacific is authorized to relocate the Trabuco Toll Rate Center to coordinates V-9289 and H-7762.

3. Pacific is authorized to revise the local calling area of the enlarged Trabuco district area so as to include the Anaheim, Garden Grove, Capistrano Valley, Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach, Newport Beach, Orange, Santa Ana and Westminster Exchanges.

4. Pacific is authorized to charge the Rossmoor Special Rate Area monthly exchange rates in the enlarged Trabuco district base rate area.

5. Pacific is authorized to file with this Commission, in conformity with General Order No. 96-A, exchange map and appropriate tariff filings revised to reflect the changes approved herein. After not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public all such filings shall become effective upon the date the new common district boundary in the Santa Ana Exchange is established.

6. The authorization granted herein will expire unless exercised within 18 months of the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of JUNE, 1970.

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Commissioners