

Decision No. 81790**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE }  
 AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for authority }  
 to consolidate the Mount Wilson }  
 exchange with the Pasadena district }  
 area of the Pasadena exchange. }

Application No. 54189  
 (Filed July 19, 1973)

OPINION AND ORDER

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (Pacific) has requested authority to consolidate the Mount Wilson exchange with the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange, to change the toll rate center of Mount Wilson to the present toll rate center for the Pasadena district area, to eliminate flat business service in the Mount Wilson exchange, to offer measured business and measured residence service, and to increase the local calling area to that of the Pasadena district area in accordance with Exhibits A and B attached to the application.

A summary of present and proposed Mount Wilson exchange rates follows:

Mount Wilson-Pasadena Exchange Consolidation  
Basic Exchange Rates  
Rate Per Month

<u>Business</u>	<u>Present Mount Wilson</u>	<u>Proposed Mount Wilson</u> <u>Present Pasadena</u>
1-Party Flat	\$14.10	Not Offered
1-Party Measured	Not Offered	\$6.00(80)*
PBX Trunk Flat	21.00	Not Offered
PBX Trunk Measured	Not Offered	3.00
Coin, Semipublic	7.25	6.00
<u>Residence</u>		
1-Party Flat	4.80	4.80
1-Party Measured	Not Offered	3.35(60)*
1-Party "Lifeline"	Not Offered	2.25(30)*

\* The monthly allowance of local messages is shown ( ). Additional messages are 4.5 cents each.

The Mount Wilson exchange area covers approximately 7.7 square miles. This area includes 45 main telephones and an estimated population of 30. The area also includes radio and television transmitters for the southern California area and the Cal-Tech Observatory. It is an unincorporated community and has one restaurant and motel, relying upon the Pasadena exchange area for its major goods and services.

The Pasadena exchange area covers approximately 8.8 square miles, has 94,273 telephone customers and an estimated population of 127,700. It is the trading, economic and social center of the surrounding area.

Applicant estimates that the total net annual effect due to the consolidation of the Mount Wilson exchange with the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange will be to increase applicant's annual revenues by approximately \$31,600. It appears that granting the application will result in improved service in the public interest. Therefore, the Commission finds that a public hearing is not necessary and that such increases in rates and charges as will result are justified and that for the future, present rates, insofar that they differ from those herein prescribed, would be unreasonable upon the consolidation of the Mount Wilson exchange and the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange; therefor,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company is authorized to consolidate the Mount Wilson exchange with the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange as requested in the application.
2. Applicant is authorized to delete the toll rate center of the Mount Wilson exchange and use the present toll rate center of the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange in its place.

3. 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 consolidation of the Mount Wilson exchange with the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange with a boundary substantially as shown in Exhibit A attached to the application.

4. Applicant is authorized to file in conformity with General Order No. 96-A rates for service within the consolidated area as set forth in Exhibit B 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 consolidation of the Mount Wilson exchange with the Pasadena district area of the Pasadena exchange.

5. At the time of making effective the rates authorized by paragraph 4 hereof, applicant may withdraw and cancel its business and residence rates for the Mount Wilson exchange.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of AUGUST, 1973.

Thomas L. Shugart  
President  
William J. Symons, Jr.  
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Thomas L. Shugart  
Commissioners

Commissioner D. W. Holmes, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.