

MINUTE ITEM

15. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LEASE P.R.C. 253.2, COVERING CERTAIN SCHOOL LANDS OF INYO COUNTY, VICINITY OF DEATH VALLEY JUNCTION, PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY - W.O. 3981.

After consideration of Calendar Item 16 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE TO PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY A RENEWAL FOR TEN YEARS OF LEASE P.R.C. 253.2 AT AN ANNUAL RENTAL OF \$150. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LEASE ARE TO REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

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CALENDAR ITEM

16.

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Lease P.R.C. 253.2 was entered into with the Southern California Telephone Company, now known as Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, for a 15-year term which will expire August 21, 1961. The lease area, located in Section 16, T. 25 N., R. 5 E., S.B.M., contains 10 acres, more or less, and is used as a transmitter site (see Exhibit "A"). The site is on the north side of Route 190, about 1.5 miles due West of Death Valley Junction, in a remote area (see Exhibit "B").

Paragraph 16 of the lease specifies "That the Lessee or the heirs and assigns of, or any successor in interest thereto, shall have the right to renew this lease for a period of ten (10) years upon such reasonable terms and conditions as the State, or any successor in interest thereto, might impose."

In accordance with the provision of Paragraph 16, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company has requested a 10-year renewal of the lease. It is the staff recommendation that the annual rental of \$50, negotiated in 1946, be increased to a minimum annual rental of \$150, in conformance with established policy of the State Lands Commission for commercial leases. A survey of desert land sales and land use in the area indicates that the minimum rental is adequate.

The statutory filing fee and expense deposit have been paid. No performance bond is required as the value to the lessee of the equipment installation is such as to insure site clearance.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE TO PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY A RENEWAL FOR TEN YEARS OF LEASE P.R.C. 253.2 AT AN ANNUAL RENTAL OF \$150. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LEASE ARE TO REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.