

REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY

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TO: GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE, WASHINGTON, DC 20408

1. FROM (Agency or establishment)

Federal Communications Commission

2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION

Common Carrier Bureau

3. MINOR SUBDIVISION

NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY

In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposal request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10. If no records are proposed for disposal, the signature of the Archivist is not required.

4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER

Eileen Chaney

5. TELEPHONE EXT.

632-7513

DATE

5/27/91

ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES

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6. CERTIFICATE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposal of the agency's records; that the records proposed for disposal in this Request of _____ page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, if required under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies, is attached.

A. GAO concurrence: is attached; or is unnecessary.

B. DATE 5/2/91	C. SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE <i>William A. Cline</i> William A. Cline	D. TITLE Chief, Information Resources Branch
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7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM (With Inclusive Dates or Retention Periods)	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARS USE ONLY)
Item 1	<p>Unscheduled Telephone Company Records of the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and its predecessor, the Telephone Division of the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) located at the Washington National Records Center.</p> <p>WNRC Accessions 173/53A0560 (25 cubic feet), 173/56A0285 (67 cubic feet), and 173/62A0055 (33 cubic feet).</p> <p>Records of Depreciation Rates for Telephone Companies and Steam Railroad Companies, 1923-34. Arranged alphabetically. 7 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 1-5, 7 and 11.</p> <p>The records in this series consist of worksheets used by telephone companies to calculate the depreciation and service life of company property.</p> <p>These records duplicate records already accessioned into the National Archives (Item 19, "Records Relating to Depreciation of Telephone,</p>		

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Telegraph, and Cable Properties, 1921-34," of the Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Federal Communications Commission, P.I. No. 93)

Disposition. DESTROY upon approval of this schedule.

Item 2

General and Merger Accounting Files, Telephone Division, Interstate Commerce Commission, 1913-1929. Arranged alphabetically (A-C only). 1 cubic foot. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Box 6.

This series consists of correspondence and financial ledgers relating to property acquisitions by American Telephone and Telegraph Companies. These ledgers list all of the assets and liabilities of the purchasing company, as well as the company being absorbed into the Bell System.

Disposition. PERMANENT. Transfer immediately to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.

Item 3

Statistical Compilations, 1941-48. Arranged by type of carrier, thereunder by reverse chronological order. 1 cubic foot. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Box 8 (part).

The records in this series were published by the Accounting, Statistical and Tariff Department of the FCC and consist of annual financial summaries for 5 to 7 large radiotelegraph carriers, telegraph and cable companies, and telephone carriers. There are only 3 to 4 pages per type of carrier per year.

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Item 4	<p>Selected Financial and Operating Data from Annual Reports, 1920-38. Arranged chronologically. 1 cubic foot. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Box 9 (part).</p> <p>The records in this series are bound in legal-sized binders and consist of information extracted from the annual reports of telephone of carriers.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> PERMANENT. Transfer immediately to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p>		
Item 5	<p>Records Relating to the Special Investigation of the Bell System, 1935-37. Arranged by exhibit number. 28 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 10, 12-17; and WNRC Accession 173/53A0560, Boxes 1-22.</p> <p>The records in this series consist of exhibits prepared by the FCC, and American Telephone and Telegraph's comments on these exhibits, which were used in FCC's special investigation of A T & T in 1935-37.</p> <p>These records are an accretion to records already accessioned into the National Archives (Item 24, "Special Investigation Case File No. 1," of the <u>Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Federal Communications Commission</u>, P. I. No. 93).</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> PERMANENT. Transfer immediately to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p>		

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Item 6	<p>Statistics of International Telephone and Telegraph Traffic, 1944-50. Arranged chronologically. 3 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 18-20.</p> <p>The records in this series were printed and bound in soft cover by the by the Accounting Department of the FCC. The statistics contained in these volumes consists of information on the long distance telephone and telegraph traffic handled between the United States and foreign countries, analysis of traffic by class of message, and telephone traffic to and from the territories and possessions of the United States.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> DESTROY immediately upon approval of this schedule.</p>		
Item 7	<p>Records Relating to the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, 1900-37. Unarranged. 2 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 21-22 (part).</p> <p>The bulk of the records consists of handwritten ledger sheets housed in 3-ring binders, containing financial information relating to physical properties owned by the company, as well as information relating to mergers. Each binder covers a particular topic and is arranged chronologically.</p> <p>There is a 1/2 inch softbound carbon copy of a "Summary of Examination of Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company" in box 21.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> PERMANENT. Transfer immediately to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p>		

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Item 8	<p>Field Reports, Cost Accounting, New York Telephone Company and other Bell System Companies, 1944-48. Unarranged. 6 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 23-28 (part).</p> <p>These reports were created in order to comply with FCC regulations regarding acquisition of property.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> PERMANENT. Transfer immediately to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p>		
Item 9	<p>Western Electric Company Price Lists, 1929-55. Arranged chronologically. 14 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 29-42.</p> <p>Annual, published price list for telephone equipment manufactured by the Western Electric Company, which furnished the American Telephone and Telegraph Company with all of its telephone equipment.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> DESTROY upon approval of this schedule.</p>		
Item 10	<p>Western Electric Company Handbooks, 1934-51. Arranged by handbook number. 3 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 43-45.</p> <p>Each handbook describes the detailed installation and testing of certain types of telephone equipment, such as switchboards, cables and manual office equipment.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> DESTROY upon approval of this schedule.</p>		

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Item 11	<p>American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Plant Routines prior to 1946, 1931-45. Arranged by an internal numbering system (Code Index Number), thereunder chronologically. 22 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/56A0285, Boxes 46-67.</p> <p>These publications, which are punched for a 3-ring binder, are the procedures manuals for the Physical Plant Department of A T & T. Box 46 contains the index to the numbering system of the manuals. These manuals cover a wide range of topics, including equipment maintenance, telephone pole replacements, and education and training.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> DESTROY upon approval of this schedule.</p>		
Item 12	<p>Records Relating to the Practices and Procedures of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, 1941-60. Arranged chronologically. 33 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/62A0055, Boxes 355-387.</p> <p>The records in this accession consist of the unbound published procedures manuals of the American and Telegraph Company for 1941 through 1960, and their updates.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> DESTROY upon approval of this schedule.</p>		

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Item 13	<p>American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Records Relating to the Acquisition of Physical Properties, 1921-1934. Arranged alphabetically. 3 cubic feet. WNRC Accession 173/53A0560, Boxes 23-25.</p> <p>The records in this series include correspondence relating to the purchase or sale of telephone plant. These are major pieces of property taken over from other companies and incorporated into a Bell System Company.</p> <p><u>Disposition.</u> PERMANENT. Transfer immediately to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p>		