Microwave for Juneau, Sitka

Telephone communications in southeast Alaska were considerably advanced this month by the inauguration of a new microwave system between Juneau (Lena Point) and Sirka.

Completed on July 17, 1970 by RCA Alaska Communications, Inc. for ACS, the system will, after testing and final checkout, become a major segment of the long lines telecommunications operations in Alaska.

The ultra-modern microwave system replaces a proposed ACS submarine cable originally in-

tended for the area.

The cable was abandoned in favor of RCA Alascom's modern microwave system offering wider communications coverage, with a capability of television transmission.