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Decision No. 3982

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of)
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for an)
order authorizing abandonment of the : Application No. 10177
stations of Venice Hill and Zlink,)
County of Tulare, State of California.)

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORIGINAL

ORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the abandonment of the non-agency stations of Venice Hill and Zlink, in Tulare County, on its San Joaquin Division.

Applicant alleges that the facilities existing at these stations consist of a small platform at each point; that the distance between said stations is thirty-one hundred (3100) feet; that the patrons of applicant have requested the combining of the station facilities at a new station to be named Ivanhoe and to be located at a point approximately half-way between the stations proposed to be abandoned; that the new station is to be named for the school district and voting precinct of the community; that it is represented to the applicant that the United States Post Office Department has expressed its willingness to change the name of the post office serving this district to Ivanhoe in the event that the applicant establishes

a station of such name; that applicant desires to establish the new station as a non-agency and to maintain the present facilities in their present location until such time as the volume of business offering justifies the construction, maintenance and operation of new and enlarged facilities at the proposed new station of Ivanhoe; and that the best interests of the patrons of the applicant will be served by the proposed abandonment of the non-agency stations of Klink and Venice Hill and the combining of the service rendered into one station to be located as hereinabove outlined.

The Commission has given consideration to the statistical statements showing freight and passenger business transacted at the stations of Klink and Venice Hill during the year ending March 31, 1924, as filed with the application herein, and has also conducted an independent investigation as to the merits of the application. We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicant, Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, be and it hereby is authorized to abandon its non-agency stations of Klink and Venice Hill, in Tulare County, on its San Joaquin Division and to eliminate such names from its station records; provided, however, that this order shall not become effective until applicant shall have established a non-agency station to be designated as Ivanhoe and to be located at a point approximately midway between the non-

agency stations of Klink and Venice Hill; and provided further, that the station facilities at Venice Hill and Klink shall remain at said locations until the further order of this Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of August, 1924.

O. J. Seavey

Ernest Shore

J. B. Whittney

Commissioners