Decision No. 14279

BEFORE THE RAILROAD CONCLISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of Application of) SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for an order authorizing the abandonment and :Appl removal of a spur track at Arabia, Riverside County, California, and abandonment) of seid station.

:Application No. 10605

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BY THE COLLISSION:

ORDER

Southorn Pacific Company, a corporation, has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the abandonment and removal of a spur track now maintained at its station of Arabia in Riverside County on its Los Angeles Division, and for the discontinuance of its non-agency at such point,

Applicant alleges that the spur track, herein proposed to be abandoned, was constructed about the year 1905 to serve the Coachella Valley Broducer's Association, and that such association no longer uses such facility.

Applicant further alleges that no passenger business originated at its station of Arabia during the yearly period ending with the month of August, 1924; that no less-than-carload freight shipments originated at or were destined to Arabia during the same period; and that the carload movement consisted principally of contractor's outfit and construction material; that any future freight shipments, either carload or less-thancarload, can be satisfactorily cared for at the agency stations of Thermal (2.9 miles west of Arabia) or Mecca (3.3 miles east of Arabia.

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We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public houring is not necessary and that the volume of business offering for movement to or from the station of arabia does not justify the continued maintenance of the spur track or the non-agency station at such point, 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 and remove its spur track now maintained at its station of Arabia in Riverside County, on its Los Angeles Division, and to discontinue the operation of its non-agency station at such point and eliminate said Arabia Station from its records.

Deted at San Francisco, California, this <u>21et</u> day of November, 1924.

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