

Decision No. 18705.

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 cancellation of various)
rates on ore, concentrates, sulphur-)
ets, etc., carloads between various)
California points in tariff C.R.C.)
No. 2868 (S.P.Co. No. 635-D).)

Application No. 13831.

A. L. Whittle, for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is an application by the Southern Pacific Company under Section 63 of the Public Utilities Act of the State of California for permission to cancel from its Tariff No. 635-D, C.R.C. No. 2868, some 25 items naming commodity rates on ore, bullion, concentrates, ore slimes, slag, sulphates, bag house fume, pyrites, copper blister, copper cement, manganese, copper matte, and zinc, applying either to or from the stations of Keswick, Coram, Kennett and Pitt, as specifically set forth in Exhibit "A" and Amendments One and Two to the application. The applicable rates, after cancellation of the specific commodity rates, will be either the class rates or a combination of the class and commodity rates.

A public hearing was held at San Francisco August 5, 1927, before Examiner Geary, and the case being duly submitted is now ready for an opinion and order.

The usual publicity notices were issued, and in addition individual notification of the hearings forwarded to the principal shippers of the commodities to be affected by the cancellations, but no one appeared in opposition to the application. Applicant introduced exhibits showing that there had been no movement of any of the commodities between the points involved, and its witness testified that the smelting plants at Keswick, Coram, Kennett and Pitt had ceased operations and the plants had been dismantled some time ago.

Upon consideration of all the facts of record we are of the opinion and find that the commodity rates sought to be cancelled by this application are no longer necessary, are a burden in the tariffs, and we conclude that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

This application having been duly heard and submitted, full investigation of the matters and things involved having been had, and basing this order on the findings of fact and the conclusions contained in the opinion, which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the application of the Southern Pacific Company be and the same is hereby granted, and applicant is hereby authorized to cancel the commodity rates applying to and from Keswick, Coram, Kennett and Pitt as set forth in the application and as published in Southern Pacific Tariff No. 635-D, C.R.C. No. 2868.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th day of August, 1927.

Leon Whitell
Thos. R. Rauter

W. J. Carr
Commissioners.