

Decision No. 19303

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of The Fresno Interurban Railway Company, The Atchison, Topoka and Santa Fe Rail-way Company, Southern Pacific Company and Southern Pacific Railroad Company for an order authorizing and approving an agreement between said companies covering lease to the Southern Pacific Company and Southern Pacific Railroad Company of the right to joint use of the Fresno Interurban Railway.

Application No. 14338.

BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>O R D E R</u>

The Fresno Interurban Railway Company, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, Southern Pacific Company and Southern Pacific Railroad Company filed the above entitled application on January 12th, 1928, in which approval is sought of an agreement between these applicants covering lease to Southern Pacific Company and Southern Pacific Railroad Company, by the first two companies above named, of the right to the joint use of the facilities of Fresno Interurban Railway.

The application sets forth that the applicants have entered into a certain agreement, dated August 1, 1927, certified copy of which is attached to the application, wherein the applicants, Fresno Interurban Railway Company and The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company leased to applicants, Southern Pacific Company and its lessor, Southern Pacific Railroad Company, the right to the joint use of the facilities of Fresno Interurban Railway Company between Fresno and Minkler, California, subject to the approval of

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the Interstate Commerce Commission and of this Commission; that said agreement was approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission on November 29th, 1926, under Finance Docket No. 5732; and that the joint operation requested will enable Southern Pacific Company to give shippers along that line, one-line rail service to points on its own line and eliminate delays incident to interchange operations.

It appears to this Commission that this is not a case in which a public hearing is necessary; that the proposed agreement is just and reasonable and that the application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above named applicants be and they are hereby granted authority to carry into effect the agreement hereinbefore mentioned.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this _____day of February, 1928.

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