

Decision No. 19906 .

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**ORIGINAL**

In the Matter of the application of  
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for authority  
to close agency at Hercules Station,  
County of Contra Costa, State of California.

Application No. 14741.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, has filed with the Commission an application for an order authorizing the abandonment of its agency at Hercules Station on its Western Division in Contra Costa County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that sixty (60) dollars of passenger business was transacted by the agency at the station of Hercules during the annual period ending March 31, 1928; that four thousand and thirteen (4,013) dollars less than carload business was transacted at said station during said annual period; that carload freight business, in amount of sixty-six thousand, seven hundred and ninety-five (66,795) dollars was transacted at said station during the same period; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the abandonment of any facilities; and that, in the opinion of applicant, the continued maintenance of the agency is not necessary for the business of the applicant or for the public.

Interested shippers and receivers of freight have signified, by letter, that they do not oppose this application,

provided applicant furnishes a satisfactory substitutional service. Applicant has signified, by letter, that the business now handled by the agent at the station of Hercules will be handled by its agent at the station of Pinole, located eight tenths (.8) of a mile west therefrom, by having its agent at Pinole make frequent trips to Hercules. The California Farm Bureau Federation has signified, by letter, that it has no objection to the abandonment of said agency.

It appears to the Commission that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, to abandon its agency at the station of Hercules, on its Western Division in Contra Costa County, and to amend its tariffs accordingly; provided, however, that coincident with the abandonment of said agency, applicant will continue to maintain said station as a non-agency station.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1928.

Leon Whitwell

Chas. J. ...

Paul D. ...

M. J. ...  
Commissioners.