

Decision No. 20580.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Pacific Electric Railway Company for authority, under General Order No. 36, to relocate and consolidate certain freight agencies at San Pedro and Wilmington, California, to the Consolidated Freight Stations and Offices of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad at San Pedro and Wilmington, respectively, to conform to conditions under unified operation of railroad facilities at Los Angeles Harbor, California.

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Application No. 15,074.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

The Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 26th day of September, 1928, asking for authority to relocate and consolidate certain of its freight agencies at San Pedro and Wilmington, California, to the Consolidated Freight Stations and Offices of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad at San Pedro and Wilmington, respectively, to conform to conditions under unified operations of railroad facilities at Los Angeles Harbor.

It is proposed to relocate and consolidate the Pacific Electric Station at the intersection of "D" Street and Avalon Boulevard, at Wilmington, to the Consolidated Freight Station on Avalon Boulevard south of "A" Street, a distance of one thousand, eight hundred and fifty feet.

It is proposed to relocate and consolidate the present

Pacific Electric Freight Station on the south side of Fifth Street and Harbor Boulevard to the Consolidated Freight Station, located on the north side of Fifth Street, a distance of two-hundred and twenty feet.

It is proposed to relocate the present agency office of the Pacific Electric Railway Company maintained at Berth 158, Pier "A" Wilmington, to the general offices of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad at Berth 90, First Street, San Pedro.

It is desired by the applicant to relocate and consolidate these stations and agencies concurrently with commencement of operations by the Harbor Belt Line Railroad.

It appears that the relocation of stations and agencies herein proposed will in no way disturb any of the present prevailing arrangements governing the interchange of freight between rail or water carriers at Los Angeles Harbor, California.

It appears that the proposed relocations and consolidations will speed up deliveries and facilitate the handling of less than carload freight by shippers and receivers, and that greater convenience to the shipping public will be produced through the conduct by the Belt Line of such consolidated freight stations for the receipt and delivery of less than carload business of the four railroads serving the Los Angeles Harbor.

It further appears that there will be an operating economy through the proposed changes.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles and the Harbor Belt Line Railroad have indicated, by letter, that they have no objection to the granting of the application.

It appears to the Commission that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary, and that the public convenience will be served by the proposed relocations and consolidation, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ordered that authority be and the same is

hereby granted to Pacific Electric Railway Company to relocate and consolidate its Wilmington Agency, which is located at the intersection of Avalon Boulevard and "D" Street, Wilmington, to the Consolidated Freight Station of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad, located approximately 1,650 feet southerly on Avalon Boulevard and south of "A" Street and as shown on blue print map No. C.E.R. 11435, marked "Exhibit "B," attached to the application.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that authority be and the same is hereby granted to Pacific Electric Railway Company to relocate and consolidate its San Pedro Freight Agency, which is located at Fifth Street and Harbor Boulevard, to the Consolidated Freight Station of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad, located on the opposite side of Fifth Street, San Pedro, a distance of approximately two-hundred feet from the present location and as more fully shown on blue print map No. C.E.R. 11436, marked "Exhibit "C," attached to the application.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that authority be and the same is hereby granted to Pacific Electric Railway Company to relocate and consolidate its present agency office maintained at Berth 158, Pier "A," Wilmington, to the General Offices of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad, to be located at Berth 90, First Street, San Pedro.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the consolidations and relocations of stations and agencies herein authorized shall be made concurrently with commencement of operation by the Harbor Belt Line Railroad and subject to the following conditions:

(1) If said relocation and consolidation shall not have been completed within one year from the date of this order, the authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void

unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

(2) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders in this matter as it may deem proper.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th day of December, 1928.

Leon Whitell

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Commissioners.