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Decision No. 21965.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the Application of THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY, a corporation, for an order approving the use of an 18 foot clearance in connection with trackage serving the Pacific Clay Products Company in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Application No. 16093.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

This is an application of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, seeking permission and authority to operate over tracks serving the Pacific Clay Products Company, in the City of Los Angeles, California, with a verticle clearance above top of rails of eighteen feet.

The application states that pursuant to the Railroad Commission's Decision No. 21048, dated May 6, 1929, in Application No. 15500, applicant herein was given the right and permission to elevate and construct its tracks over and across Avenue 19 and San Fernando Road, and Avenues 21, 22, 23 and 26 in the City of Los Angeles, California; that conformably with said decision, applicant is about to begin the work of elevating, rearranging, relocating and lengthening two spur tracks serving the Pacific Clay Products Company between said Avenues 23 and 26, and if relocated and constructed, as proposed, will be on a descending grade of 1.78 per cent to permit of an eighteen foot verticle clearance with supports

of an overhead clamshell runway of said products company; that the commodity handled on said spur tracks being clay, which is transported in open top cars, it is not as imperative that a higher clearance be maintained at this particular location as would be if box cars were handled thereover; that unless permission is granted applicant to establish and maintain said impaired clearance, it will be obliged to construct said spur tracks on a 3 per cent descending grade.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen has advised by letter that it will not object to a verticle clearance of 18 feet at this location, providing proper safeguards are included in the order and that applicant be permitted to operate open top cars only over said spur tracks.

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 applicant, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, to operate over certain spur tracks serving the Pacific Clay Products Company, in the City of Los Angeles, State of California, and more definitely shown by blueprint Drawing No. 75-18951, attached to and made a part of application, with a verticle clearance above top of rails of 18 feet, provided, however, that only open top cars may be operated over said spur tracks; provided further, that suitable impaired clearance signs be maintained at the entrance to the structures of the Clay Products Company and that all cars and locomotives of applicant will be required to come to a full stop before entering the structures of

said Clay Products Company.

The Commission reserves the right to make such other or additional orders in the above entitled proceeding as may, in its judgment, appear to be right and proper.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of December, 1929.

Thos D. Lott

Ch. J. Lewis

Ernest C. ...

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W. J. ...

Commissioners.