Decision No. 23526

BEFORE THE RAILFOLD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of Application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for an order authorizing it to operate a certain industrial spur track a) Lodi. California, at a clearance of thirteen (13) feet between center line of said spur track and the center line of main track of branch line.

Application No. 17242.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, has filed with the Railroad Commission the above numbered application requesting authority to maintain and operate over a certain industrial spur track serving the packing house operated by Scobel & Day at Lodi, California, with clearance of thirteen (13) feet between tracks.

Applicant maintains and operates a branch line of railroad extending between Lodi and Kentucky House, a distance of 39.3 miles, and Scobel & Day Fruit Packing Company operates a packing house located at the intersection of Washington Street and the main track of said branch line railroad at Lodi, California, said packing house being served by a spur track, the center line of which is located twentysix (26) feet from the center line of the main track of branch line railroad and eight (8) feet six (6) inches from the side of said packing house.

Applicant desires to remove existing switch and crossover track shown in yellow on the blue print map attached to and made a part of the application and construct a new crossover track, shorten present siding track and install a new spur track between

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the existing spur and main track at thirteen (13) fact center from said main track, whereas paragraph (b) of Section 4 of the Commission's General Order No. 26-C requires that the center line of any standard gauge track, except a main track or passing track, parallel and adjacent to a main track or a passing track, shall be at least fifteen (15) feet.

To comply with the requirements of the Commission's Ceneral Order No. 26-C, unless the industry constructs a new building or extends its present building a distance of approximately one hundred and fifty (150) feet, the applicant must relocate its present facilities, including its branch line main track, and the expense necessary to make these improvements does not appear to be warranted, since there is but one train movement in each direction per day except Sunday over said branch line track and the location being within yard limits where all trains are required to move at a reduced speed.

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 applicant, Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, to construct, maintain and operate an industrial spur track serving the Scobel & Day Fruit Packing Company at Lodi, California, the location of which is more definitely described on blue print map marked "Stockton Div'n Drawing A-4160, Sheet No. 1" attached to and made a part of the application, with center line

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clearance between branch line main track and spur track of thirteen (13) feet.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>29rd</u> day of March, 1931.