

Decision No. 23814.

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of  
NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY  
for authority to close agency at  
Beatrice, County of Humboldt, State of  
California.

Application No. 17401.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation, on May 26, 1931, applied for authority to abandon its agency at Beatrice Station on the main line in Humboldt County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that \$8.00 passenger business was transacted at said agency station during the year ending February 28, 1931; that \$399.00 less than carload and \$7,312.00 carload freight business was transacted during the same period; that the nearest agency to the north is at Eureka, a distance of 10.2 miles, and to the south at Loleta, a distance of 2.9 miles; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the abandonment of any facilities; that the station will be continued as a non-agency station; and that, in applicant's opinion, the continued maintenance of the agency is not necessary for the business of applicant or for the public.

The California Farm Bureau Federation, on June 2, 1931, signified, in writing, that it does not object to the granting of this application.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Northwestern Pacific Rail-

road Company is hereby authorized to abandon its agency at its station of Beatrice, located on the main line in Humboldt County, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly; provided that said station be continued as a non-agency station, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall give not less than ten (10) days notice to the public of said agency abandonment by posting notice at said station.
- (2) Applicant, upon closing the agency at said station, shall appoint a caretaker at said station to care for all less than carload freight received at said station.
- (3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of the facilities authorized herein and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (4) The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 1931.

Ol. Amey  
Leon Whitney  
M. J. Chen  
W. B. Harris  
Fred G. Stewart  
 Commissioners.