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Decision No. 23939

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of the Railway Express Agency, Inc., for authority to abandon its agency at OROSI, County of Tulare, State of California.

Application No. 17500.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Railway Express Agency, Inc., on June 29, 1931, applied for authority to discontinue its agency at Orosi, Tulare County, State of California, during the period from January 1st., to March 31st., of each year.

By its Decision No. 23866, in Application No. 17398, the Commission authorized The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company to discontinue its agency at said station during a similar period of each year. It appears that applicant and The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company have maintained a joint agency at said station and applicant alleges that no outside party is available to handle the express agency at this point during the period that The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company's agency is closed. It appears that during the three months' period from January 1st., 1931, to March 31st., 1931, approximately \$130.00 express revenue was received at said station; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the abandonment of any facilities and the station will be continued as a non-agency station.

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Railway Express Agency, Inc.,

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is hereby authorized to discontinue its agency at Orosi in Tulare County, California, during the period from approximately January 1st., to approximately March 31st., of each year and to change its station records accordingly; provided that said station will be continued as a non-agency station and that during the period that no agency is maintained, applicant shall continue to handle shipments moving into or out of said station when said shipments are tendered to or received from express messenger at the car door of trains stopping at said station.

In operating this agency station on a seasonal basis, the public shall be given not less than ten (10) days' notice by posting notices in the station building before the station is closed each year. Applicant shall also notify the Commission of such closing at least ten (10) days before the effective date thereof.

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 10 th day of Curful 1931.

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