

Decision No. <u>24057</u>.

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 MT. EDEN, County of Alameda, State of California.

Application No. 17563

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Railway Express Agency, Inc., on July 29th 1931 applied for authority to abandon its agency at Mt. Eden Station on the Western Division of Southern Pacific Company in Alameda County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that \$478.00 express business was transacted at said agency station during the year ending June 30th 1931; that Southern Pacific Company has applied for the abandonment of its agency at Mt. Eden and as the agency is conducted under the so-called joint agency plan, whereby the agent of the railroad company also acts as the agent of the Express Company, it therefore becomes necessary to make like application as after investigation no outside party is available; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the entire abandonment of service as express shipments moving into or out of this point would be handled by the express messenger on trains stopping at said point; and that, in applicant's opinion, the continued maintenance of the agency is not necessary for the business of applicant or for the public.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary

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herein and that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Railway Express Agency, Inc., is hereby authorized to abandon its agency at its station of Mt. Eden, located on the Western Division of Southern Pacific Company, in Alameda County, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly; subject however to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall give the public at least ten (10) days notice of the abandonment of said agency by posting notice at said station.
- (2) Upon the abandonment of said agency, applicant shall continue to handle express shipments moving into or out of said point, provided they are tendered to or received from the express messenger at the car door on trains stopping at said point.
- (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 <u>2/2/-</u> day of September 1931.

Commissioners.

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