

Decision No. 24295.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of Coal Fields Railway for permission to abandon its railroad in Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties, California, and also to abandon the operation thereof.

Application No. 17852.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

In this application the Coal Fields Railway seeks authority to abandon operation of its railroad as a common carrier and cancel tariffs on file with the Commission. In the application it is alleged that prior to 1922, applicant, under lease from the Stone Canon Coal Company, operated the twenty-one mile standard gauge railroad between McKay Station, California, and Stone Canon, California, and that in 1922 applicant ceased to operate said railroad, due to the shut down of the Stone Canon Coal Mine, and thereby forfeited its lease on said railroad theretofore existing between applicant and the Stone Canon Coal Company; that applicant has never since operated said railroad and that no one else has operated said railroad since 1922, save and except, during the years 1930 and 1931, coal has been hauled over said railroad by the companies operating said mine and that since 1922 neither applicant nor anyone else has hauled any freight or passengers over said railroad, save and except, the companies operating said mine transporting their own freight; that no necessity exists for the operation of this railroad other than for coal mine purposes; and that the financial condition of the applicant is that it has no assets and

