

Decision No. 24461.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for permission to discontinue operation of mixed trains Nos. 314 and 315 between Kerman and Hanford, California.

Application No. 17732.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on October 22nd, 1931, applied for authority to abandon passenger service on its Kerman-Hanford-Ingle Line, in Fresno and Kings Counties, which is now provided through the operation of mixed trains Nos. 314 and 315.

Applicant alleges that said passenger service is not warranted by the passenger revenue received; that the operation of said passenger service is conducted by applicant at a loss, for example, during the month of October, 1931, only one passenger was carried on this line; and that the discontinuance of said service will not constitute an inconvenience to the traveling public.

Both the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County and the California Farm Bureau Federation have signified, in writing, that they do 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 Southern Pacific Company is hereby granted authority to abandon and discontinue the passenger

service now provided through the operation of mixed trains Nos. 314 and 315 between the stations of Kerman, Hanford and Ingle, and cancel, in conformity with the rules of this Commission, all passenger rate tariffs and time schedules between said points, unless and until the Commission shall find, after hearing, that public convenience and necessity require the restoration of passenger service upon said railroad line, subject, however, to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall give not less than ten (10) days' advance notice to the traveling public of said service abandonment, by posting notice in said mixed trains, and in all stations along the line so affected.
- (2) Applicant shall continue to provide reasonable and adequate freight service between said stations of Kerman, Hanford and Ingle.
- (3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify the Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of said passenger service herein authorized 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 8th day of February, 1932.

C. C. Jensen
Leon Anderson
W. J. Lewis
W. B. Harris
Fred G. Stewart
Commissioners.