Decision No. 24734

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for authority to close the agency at Duarte Station in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

APPLICATION NO. 18065

BY THE COMMISSION.

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Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on March 30, 1932, applied for authority to abandon its agency at Duarte Station on the Duarte Branch of its Los Angeles Division, in Los Angeles County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that ten passenger tickets were sold at said agency station during the year ending February 29, 1932; that 297 carloads of freight and 79 less-than-carload freight shipments were received and forwarded during the same period; that the nearest agency is at Monrovia, a distance of two miles west, there being no agency station to the east, as Duarte is located at the end of the Branch Line; 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 April 12, 1932, 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,

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized to abandon its agency at its station of Duarte, located on the Duarte Branch of its Los Angeles Division, in Los Angeles County, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly, provided that said station be continued as a nonagency station, subject, however, to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall store less-than-carload shipments in its freight warehouse under lock and key, and shall appoint a custodian of the key to said warehouse, for the purpose of caring for less-thancarload freight.
- (2) Applicant shall notify the public of the abandonment of seid agency, by posting notice at said station, for at least five (5) days prior to said abandonment.
- (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 guid, day of ___, 1932.

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Commissioners.