

Decision No. 24737.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of
the SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for
authority to close the agency at Ben
Lomond Station, County of Santa Cruz,
State of California.

Application No. 18086.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORIGINALORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on April 9, 1932, applied for authority to abandon its part-time agency at Ben Lomond Station on its Boulder Creek Branch, Santa Cruz County, State of California.

Applicant now maintains a seasonal agency at this point from June 1st to September 30th, inclusive, of each year and applicant alleges that the amount of business transacted at this station during these months no longer warrants the maintaining an agent. From a statement attached to the application it appears that seven carload shipments and 282 less-than-carload shipments were handled at this station during the months of June, July, August and September, 1931, and that but 43 passenger tickets were sold during this period. The nearest agency to the east is at Boulder Creek, a distance of 3.4 miles, and to the west at Felton, a distance of 3.9 miles. Interested shippers and receivers of freight have been interviewed by a member of the Commission's staff and have expressed no objection to the proposed closing of the agency.

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 authorized to abandon its agency at Ben Lomond, located on its Boulder Creek Branch, in Santa Cruz County, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly, provided that said station be continued as a non-agency station.

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.

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 2nd day of May, 1932.

C. L. Seavey

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Fred G. Stewart

Commissioners.