Decision No. 24960

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of Application of NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY and PETALUMA AND SANTA ROSA RAILROAD COMPANY for authority to consolidate their freight stations and to establish joint agencies at Petaluma, Santa Rosa and Sebastopol, in the County of Sonoma, State of California.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Application No. 18168.

In this application Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation, and Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad Company, a corporation, request authority to consolidate their separate freight agencies at Petaluma, Sebastopol and Santa Rosa, in the County of Sonoma, California. Applicants, on June 24, 1932, requested, in writing, that that portion of the application requesting the consolidation of the freight agencies at Sebastopol be dismissed.

Applicants allege that the maintenance of separate freight agencies at the above mentioned towns is unnecessary for the transaction of their business; that it involves unnecessary expense upon applicants; that the present freight station of Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad Company at Petaluma will be designated and established as the joint freight station at said point, and that the present freight station of Northwestern

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Pacific Railroad Company at Santa Rosa will be designated and established as the joint freight station at said point.

It appears that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application for permission to consolidate said agencies at Petaluma and Santa Rosa be granted and that the application for permission to consolidate said agencies at Sebastopol be dismissed.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company and Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad Company be and they are hereby authorized to consolidate their freight agencies at the Towns of Petaluma and Santa Rosa, County of Sonoma, State of California, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicants shall give not less than ten (10) days notice to the public of said freight station consolidation by posting notices at said separate freight stations at Petaluma and Santa Rosa.
- (2) Applicants shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the consolidation of said freight stations herein authorized.
- (3) 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.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that that part of said application seeking authority to consolidate the freight agencies of applicants at Sebastopol, County of Sonoma, State of California, be and it is hereby dismissed.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 30 Hu day of under, 1932. Clifcaury

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