

Decision No. 25195.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application  
of the Railway Express Agency, Inc.,  
for authority to abandon its agency  
at Montalvo, County of Ventura,  
State of California.

Application No. 18379.

BY THE COMMISSION:

**ORIGINAL**

ORDER

The Railway Express Agency, Inc., on August 26, 1932, applied for authority to abandon its seasonal agency at Montalvo Station, Ventura County, California, which is now maintained during a five months' period, August 1 to December 31, inclusive, each year.

Applicant alleges that \$72.94 express business was transacted at the said agency station during the five months' period ending December 31, 1931; that subsequent to the time the Southern Pacific Company changed from an agency station to a non-agency station at said point, as authorized by the Commission's Decision No. 24874, dated June 13, 1932, applicant has been unable to secure any one to act as its agent; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the entire abandonment of service, as the express shipments moving in and out of this point would be handled by express messenger on train stopping at said point and that, in applicant's opinion, the continued maintenance of the agency is not necessary for the business of the applicant or for the public.

The nearest agency to the east of Montalvo is Oxnard, located a distance of 3.5 miles, and Ventura to the west, 5 miles.

It appears that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Railway Express Agency, Inc., is hereby authorized to abandon its seasonal agency at the Station of Montalvo, in the County of Ventura, State of California, now maintained during the period August 1st to December 31st, inclusive, of each year, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly, subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall give the public at least ten (10) days' notice prior to the abandonment of said agency by posting notice in a conspicuous place at said station.
2. Upon the abandonment of said agency applicant shall continue to handle express shipments moving into or out of said point, provided they are tendered to or received by express messenger at car door of train stopping at said station.
3. Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment herein authorized 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 19th day of September, 1932.

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Lion O'Connell  
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commissioners.