

Decision No. 10178

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application of  
the Sacramento Northern Railroad, a  
corporation, for authority to increase  
certain switching charges at Sacramento,  
California. )

APPLICATION NO. 6812.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION ON APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

On December 31, 1921 the Sacramento Northern Railroad, applicant in this proceeding, filed with the Railroad Commission a petition for rehearing on Decision No. 9545, Application No. 6812, issued September 23, 1921. Notice of intention to file petition for rehearing in the matter was given to the Commission on October 8, 1921. Various extensions of time for the filing of such petition were granted by the Commission upon request of petitioners.

This proceeding involved the bridge or interchange switching charges of the Sacramento Northern Railroad for moving carload shipments of freight between the transfer tracks of the San Francisco-Sacramento Railroad Company at West Side, Yolo County, and the transfer tracks of the Southern Pacific Company, Western Pacific Railroad Company and Central California Traction Company at Sacramento.

The charges of the Sacramento Northern Railroad for the carload switching service between the transfer tracks above referred to are \$3. per car when such switching is incidental to a foreign line haul and \$4. per car when not incidental to a foreign

line haul.

The Sacramento Northern Railroad asked the Commission for authority to increase the intermediate carload switching rate to 37½ cents per ton, with a minimum charge of \$6.50 per car.

A hearing was held, testimony given and exhibits introduced. The testimony and exhibits were carefully considered in connection with the application and the Commission found that the applicant, Sacramento Northern Railroad, had failed to justify the proposed increases and, therefore, denied the application.

Comes now the petitioner, Sacramento Northern Railroad, and presents certain reasons why a rehearing should be granted by the Commission:

First, that an error was made in the decision in assuming that the case involved a reciprocal switching arrangement; secondly, that when the reciprocal condition does not exist the charge for the service furnished should be an adequate one considered by itself; and thirdly, that the cost of the service performed has been shown to be \$6.89 per loaded car.

It is the opinion of this Commission, in the light of the whole record and particularly in view of the contention which has arisen over the use of the term "reciprocal switching" that a rehearing should be granted applicant.

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

Applicant, Sacramento Northern Railroad, having, on December 31, 1921, filed a petition for rehearing in the above entitled matter, the Commission having reviewed and reconsidered

the whole record, and being of the opinion that a rehearing should be given.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petition for a rehearing be and the same is hereby granted.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, ~~February~~ 1922.

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J. J. Penner

Commissioners.