

Decision No. 2017

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of }
QUINCY WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY for }
authority to cancel its 70¢ round- }
trip rate between Quincy and Marston, } Application No. 1445
California. }
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BY THE COMMISSION:

Quincy Western Railway Company by this application seeks authority to cancel the round-trip fare of 70¢ applying via its line between Quincy and Marston, California. In justification of the proposed change the petitioner alleges that said fare is too low for the service performed and its revenues are insufficient to meet its expenses, including interest and taxes. Further the petitioner alleges that the said round-trip fare is of no benefit to the residents of Quincy and has not created any new traffic between stations on its line, which it was established to induce.

The Quincy Chamber of Commerce by its Board of Directors unanimously endorses this application.

The report of the Quincy Western Railway Company to this Commission for the year ending June 30, 1914, bears out its main contention. The income account in that report exhibits the following results.

Operating Revenue	\$14151.64
Operating Expenses	<u>\$12110.02</u>
Operating Income	\$2021.62
Taxes	515.53
Hire of Equipment	222.20
Rentals	134.46
Interest	1527.03
	\$2399.22
Deficit	\$377.60

It may be that with certain economies this result could be slightly changed but that relatively material increases in its revenues are required to establish petitioner firmly on its feet appears conclusive. Whether the cancellation of the

round-trip fare of 70¢ from Quincy to Marston will effect such an increase in the revenue of the petitioner is problematical but under all the circumstances the Commission is of the opinion that the petitioner should be permitted to cancel the round-trip fare and endeavor by that means to increase its revenues sufficiently to meet its expense and it will be so ordered.

O R D E R.

Quincy Western Railway Company having applied to this Commission for authority to cancel its 70¢ round-trip fare between Quincy and Marston, California, and an investigation having been made and it appearing that the application should be granted;

Company

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Quincy Western Railway be and it is hereby authorized to cancel its round-trip passenger fare of 70¢ applying between Quincy and Marston, California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st day of December, 1914.

H. A. Verplanck
A. G. Gordon
Edwin O. Edgerton

Commissioners.