

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

DECISION NO. **ORIGINAL**

In the matter of the application of PACIFIC ELECTRIC
RAILWAY COMPANY for authority)
to remove and abandon a spur track)
between Fourth and Fifth Streets)
in the City of Sawtelle, County)
of Los Angeles.)

APPLICATION NO. 1919.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

This is an application, filed October 19, 1915, on the part of the Pacific Electric Railway Company for authority to remove and abandon a certain spur track in the city of Sawtelle, Los Angeles County. It appears that the spur track for which authority is sought for removal and abandonment has heretofore been maintained extending from the northerly track of the applicant on Santa Monica Boulevard northerly into the block bounded by Fourth Street, Fifth Street, Santa Monica Boulevard and Indiana Avenue where the freight station of the applicant was located serving the city of Sawtelle.

It appears that due to the extreme curvature of the spur track it was impossible to operate freight trains into the freight station without violating the provisions of the Federal Safety Appliance Act as approved by the Congress of the United States and that the freight station has been moved from the abovementioned location to a new and satisfactory location near the Southern Pacific Company crossing in said city of Sawtelle, and that by reason of such removal and relocation of the said freight station and the further fact that the said city of Sawtelle is about to commence the improvement of Santa Monica Boulevard by the installation of a modern pavement, the public necessity and convenience do not require the further use and

maintenance of the spur track and a considerable expense would be placed upon the applicant were the track to be rebuilt at the time the paving of Santa Monica Boulevard is undertaken by the said city of Sawtelle.

This application is made under the provisions of General Order No. 36 of this Commission which requires that no siding or spur track upon which passengers have been received or discharged shall be taken up unless application shall have been made and the consent of this Commission secured.

O R D E R.

It appearing to the Commission that this is not a case in which a public hearing is necessary; that the continued maintenance of the spur track running from the northerly track of the applicant on Santa Monica Boulevard into the block bounded by Fourth Street, Fifth Street, Santa Monica Boulevard and Indiana Avenue in the city of Sawtelle, County of Los Angeles, is not necessary for the convenience of the shippers and receivers of freight using the lines of the applicant as other proper and adequate facilities have been provided.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said application be, and the same is hereby granted.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 30th day of October, 1915.

Max Thelau
Howardland
Alex Gordon

Frank R. Devlin

Commissioners.