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Decision No. 4407

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the matter of the application of the :
WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY :
for permission to close its offices and : Application
discontinue its telegraph service at : No. 2881
Mount Eden, Alameda County and Alviso, :
Santa Clara County, California. :

E. B. Harrington for applicant

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is an application by Western Union Telegraph Company for permission to close its offices at Mount Eden, Alameda County and Alviso, Santa Clara County.

Public hearings were held by Examiner Westover at Mount Eden, Alameda County and Alviso, Santa Clara County. Subsequent to such hearings applicant filed a written request for the dismissal of the application in so far as it related to its office in Alviso, Santa Clara County.

Heretofore applicant has operated its Mount Eden office in conjunction with the Southern Pacific Company but now Southern Pacific Company proposes to change its station into a non-telegraph station and to remove the telegraph equipment therefrom which will compel applicant either to abandon this office entirely or to run it as an independent telegraph station with a consequent very considerable increase in expense.

The evidence clearly shows that the business done by applicant at Mount Eden does not warrant the establishment and maintenance of ^{an independent} telegraph station at this point. The people who have heretofore used the service of applicant at Mount Eden will not be seriously inconvenienced by the closing of this office because applicant maintains a telegraph office at Hayward, Alameda County, which is about one mile from Mount Eden and between these towns there is ample telephone connection over which messages may be sent.

O R D E R

Western Union Telegraph Company having applied for authority to discontinue telegraph service at Mount Eden, Alameda County, and at Alviso, Santa Clara County, and public hearings having been held and subsequent to such hearings applicant having filed in writing with this Commission a request that the application be dismissed in so far as it related to Alviso, Santa Clara County, and it appearing that the application as to Mount Eden should be granted;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Western Union Telegraph Company is hereby authorized to close its office at Mount Eden, Alameda County.

It is further ordered that this application in so far as it relates to Alviso, Santa Clara County, be and the same is hereby dismissed.

Dated at San Francisco, California
this 18th day of June, 1917.

May Thelen
W. J. Fitzgerald
W. J. Gordon
Edwin A. Edgerton
Harold K. Allen
Commissioners.