

Decision No. 28030.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, for authority to dispense with the services of part-time employee and caretaker at the station of Waukena, California, and to operate the same as a non-agency station.

Application No. 18786.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, on March 24, 1933 applied for authority to discontinue the services of an employee who acts as caretaker and performs some of the duties of an agent at the station of Waukena in Tulare County, California. The Commission by its order in Decision No. 18870 in Application No. 13816, dated October 4, 1927, granted applicant authority to maintain a part-time agency at this station in lieu of a full-time agency.

Accompanying the application is a statement showing the amount of business transacted by The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company at said station during the twelve-month period ending February 28, 1933, as follows:

Items	Twelve-month Period Ending Feb. 28, 1933
Passenger tickets sold, -----	24
Number less-than-carload shipments received, -----	194
Number less-than-carload shipments forwarded, -----	0
Number carload shipments received, -----	0
Number carload shipments forwarded, -----	0

The nearest agency to the north of Waukena is Tulare, a distance of 10.6 miles, and to the south is Corcoran, a distance of 4.1 miles.

California Farm Bureau has signified, in writing, that it does not object to the granting of this application.

A member of the Transportation Division of the Commission's Engineering Department has made an investigation of the matter and his report shows that interested shippers and receivers of freight at Waukena have indicated that they will not oppose the granting of this application.

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company is hereby authorized to discontinue the services of an employee who acts as caretaker and performs some of the duties of an agent at Waukena Station, located on the Visalia Branch of its Valley Division in Tulare County, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly, provided that the said agency be maintained as a non-agency station.

The authority herein granted is subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Said agency is to be continued as a non-agency station.
- (2) Applicant shall inform the public of the discontinuance of its nominal agent by posting a notice for at least ten (10) days in advance of the effective date of such change, in a conspicuous place at said station of Waukena.
- (3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify the Commission, in writing, of the abandonment herein authorized and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

- (4) 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 5th day of June, 1933.

Cl. Seaver
Leon O'Connell
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Commissioners.