Decision No. 26356.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of the Railway Express Agency, Inc., for authority to abandon its agencies at Auberry and Big Creek, County of Fresno, State of California.

Application No. 19089.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Railway Express Agency, Inc., on September 12, 1933, applied for authority to abandon its agency stations of Auberry and Big Creek, located on the bus and truck line of San Joaquin and Eastern Railroad Company in Fresno County.

Applicant alleges that \$175 express business was transacted at said agency station of Auberry during the year ending July 31, 1933, and that \$1075 express business was transacted at Big Creek during the same period; that 50 per cent of the business transacted at Big Creek is for Southern California Edison Company, owners of said San Joaquin and Eastern Railroad Company; that 90 per cent of the business at said stations is inbound; that service to said points is provided under contract with said San Joaquin and Eastern Railroad Company; that said company has given notice that it desires to terminate the contract as of October 1. 1933, and that, in applicant's opinion, the continued maintenance of the stations, either as agencies or non-agencies, is not neces-It appears that upon abandonment of said stations by sary. applicant the public can continue to have express service by way of the bus and truck line of the San Joaquin and Eastern Railroad Company from Fresno.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary

herein and that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Railway Express Agency, Inc., is hereby authorized to abandon its agency stations of Auberry and Big Creek, located on the bus and truck line of San Joaquin and Eastern Railroad Company, in Fresno County, State of California, to eliminate said names from its station records and to cancel, in conformity with the rules of this Commission, all rate tariffs and schedules applying at said stations.

Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of said stations authorized herein and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

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  $2\sqrt{}$  day of September, 1933.