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Decision No. 43441

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of NORTH/ESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY and CALIFOLNIA WESTERN RAILROAD for an order authorizing execution of an agreement between the said companies, respecting the joint use by said companies of certain tracks at and near Willits, Mendocino County, California.

Application No. 30711

ORDER

In Decision No. 29457 on Application No. 20935 the Commission approved an agreement between Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company, California Western Railroad and Navigation Company and Willits Lumber Company covering the maintenance and operation of certain tracks and facilities in and in the vicinity of Villits, Mendocino County,

The railroad companies now desire to extend the provisions of this agreement to include joint operation of certain additional tracks owned by them in the vicinity, and in Application No. 30711 have requested authority to enter into a supplemental agreement to cover. The request is reasonable and should be granted, therefore,

California Western Railroad, successor to California Western Railroad and Navigation Company, are authorized to enter into an agreement supplemental to the agreement of November 20, 1936, approved by the Comission in Decision No. 29457 in Application No. 20935, extending the terms of said agreement to cover joint operations by applicants over additional trackage as shown on the print attached to the application and also making certain modifications in the former agreement, all as set forth in the tentative form of agreement submitted with the application. This authority is granted subject to the condition that applicants file with the Commission a certified copy of such supplemental agreement within thirty (30) days after its execution. This authority

shall become null and void unless exercised within one year from the effective date of this order unless further time be granted.

It appears that joint use of the trackage is urgently needed to eliminate the congestion in the Willits yards and that it is in the public interest that the order be made effective immediately. For this reason, the effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

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