Decision No. 44774

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )
Railway Express Agency, Incorporated,)
for Authorization to Withdraw its )
Collection and Delivery Service for )
the Handling of Express Matter at )
Pismo Beach, California.

Application No. 31399

## OPINION AND ORDER

Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, seeks authority to discontinue collection and delivery service for express shipments at Pismo Beach. Shipments would thereafter be received and delivered at the express agency's depot.

The verified application shows that the express depot is centrally located, and that no point at which collection and delivery service is now offered is more than one and one-half miles distant therefrom. The application shows also that there is little patronage of the service and that interested shippers were notified. Protests were received from four shippers. The Commission communicated with them in order to determine the nature of their objections and whether or not they would appear at and participate in a public hearing in the matter. Three of them failed to respond; the fourth said that he could use depot delivery service if he is provided with prompt notification of the arrival of his perishable consignments. Applicant has made arrangements which will satisfactorily meet such requirements.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary, and that the application should be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-entitled application be and it is hereby granted.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12 day of September, 1950.

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