

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 49791

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Northwestern Pacific Railroad Com- ) Application No. 35219  
pany to extend pickup and delivery )  
limits of Willits, California )

OPINION AND ORDER

Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company seeks authority to enlarge its pickup and delivery zone at Willits (Mendocino County) and to apply Willits rates to the enlarged territory.

The application shows that the area proposed to be added to the present zone is contiguous to and a part of the community and that this area is situated within three miles of the corporate limits. It also shows that applicant has been requested to provide the pickup and delivery service involved. Under the proposed arrangements all similarly situated areas contiguous to Willits where there is a demand for applicant's pickup and delivery service would be afforded that service at the Willits rates. Because of the relatively short distances involved, the resulting deviations from the established minimum rates would be slight.

Competing carriers have been notified of the filing of the application. No objection has been offered to its being granted.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the granting of the sought authority is justified.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company be and it is hereby authorized to enlarge its pickup and delivery zone at Willits as requested and to establish for the transportation involved, not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, rates no lower than those prescribed for like transportation to and from Willits.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the authority herein granted shall expire unless exercised within sixty days after the effective date of this order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1954.

R. Z. Anderson  
President  
Justin F. Cialini  
Frederick P. Potter  
John F. [unclear]  
Donna D. [unclear]  
Commissioners