

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 56417

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY and RAILWAY)	
EXPRESS AGENCY, INCORPORATED, for)	
authority to discontinue agency at)	Application No. 39709
Gazelle, County of Siskiyou, State)	
of California, and to maintain said)	
station as a nonagency.)	

Randolph Karr and Harold S. Lentz, for applicants.
I. S. Wilson, for the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, protestant.

O P I N I O N

By this application filed January 8, 1958, Southern Pacific Company and Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, request authority to discontinue agency service at Gazelle, Siskiyou County, California.

Public hearing was held in Gazelle before Examiner Rowe on February 26, 1958, at which evidence both oral and documentary was adduced and the matter submitted for decision.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require that applicants maintain an agent at Gazelle. The removal of such agent by Southern Pacific will not adversely affect the service to the public. The company proposes to maintain Gazelle as a Class "A" nonagency station. This applicant will be able to serve the public efficiently and adequately through its agencies at Yreka, Montague and Weed, and

without increasing its personnel at said points. Southern Pacific does not propose to remove its corrals at Gazelle. While some evidence suggests a probable increase in freight business at Gazelle in the future there is no indication that it may not just as adequately be handled by agents located at points other than Gazelle. The volume of gross revenue received by Railway Express Agency, Incorporated is so small that it does not indicate a public need for such service at Gazelle.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been held and the above matters having been duly submitted,

IT IS ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company and Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, are authorized to discontinue their agencies at Gazelle, Siskiyou County, subject to the following conditions:

- a. Southern Pacific Company shall continue to maintain said station in a Class "A" non-agency status;
- b. Applicants shall give not less than ten days' notice to the public of discontinuance of agency service by posting notice thereof at the station;
- c. Within ninety days after the effective date hereof applicants, upon not less than ten days' notice to this Commission and the public, shall file in duplicate amendments to their tariffs showing the changes herein authorized and shall make reference in such tariff amendments to this decision as authority therefor;

- d. The authorization herein granted shall expire if not exercised within ninety days after the effective date hereof;
- c. Within thirty days after discontinuance of service as herein authorized, applicants shall notify this Commission thereof and of compliance with the above conditions.

The effective date of this decision shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 25th day of March, 1958.

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President

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Commissioners