

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 57389

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
 of SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for)
 authority to discontinue agency)
 at Canoga Park, County of Los)
 Angeles, State of California,)
 and to maintain said station as)
 a nonagency.)

Application No. 40135

Randolph Karr, E. D. Yeomans and James W. O'Brien,
 for applicant.
Edward G. McLane, for the Commission staff.
W. Lindsay Boggess, for Southern California Wool
 Growers Association; James A. McDill, for the
 Reseda Chamber of Commerce; Nick Costa, for
 Costa's Sheep Ranch; Roy C. Eristol, for Canoga
 Park Lumber Company; Paul Roest for Canoga Park
 Transfer; Alfred C. Myers, for himself and his
 wife; Mrs. Harold R. Sonde, for Canoga Park
 Women's Club; and Howard Speer, for Speer Lumber
 Company, protestants.

O P I N I O N

This application, filed June 2, 1958, requests an order of this Commission authorizing Southern Pacific Company to discontinue its agency at Canoga Park in Los Angeles County, and to maintain said station as a Class A nonagency station.

A public hearing was held in Canoga Park on August 28, 1958, at which time evidence both oral and documentary was adduced and the matter duly submitted for decision.

This station is located on the Burbank Branch. No passenger service is rendered in this area. A local freight train serves this station six days per week. Most of the freight cars go to local industry spur tracks.

The protestants offered testimony that, in their opinion, the removal of the agency functions to Van Nuys would make the Community of Canoga Park less attractive for potential industrial

plant location. They also expressed doubt that an agent at Van Nuys would have their interests at heart as much as would a local man.

The weight of the evidence indicates and the Commission finds that all service can be performed as effectively by the agent at Van Nuys. Service will in no way be adversely affected. An annual saving of approximately \$5,000 will result from the proposed change.

The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require the maintenance of an agency of Southern Pacific Company at Canoga Park, California.

O R D E R

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

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Southern Pacific Company is authorized to discontinue its agency at Canoga Park, Los Angeles County, subject to the following conditions:

- a. Southern Pacific Company shall maintain said station in a Class A nonagency status.
- b. Within ninety days after the effective date hereof, and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, Southern Pacific Company shall post a notice of such discontinuance at the station and shall file, in duplicate, amendments to its tariffs showing the changes authorized herein, and shall make reference in such notice and tariffs to this decision as authority for the changes.
- c. Within thirty days after discontinuance of service as herein authorized, Southern Pacific

Company shall notify this Commission in writing 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 29th day of September, 1958.

E. L. Fox
President
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Commissioners