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Decision No. 60518

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of THE WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD > COMPANY for authority to remove > certain stockyard facilities and track at Las Vinas, California. >

Application No. 42176

OPINION

By this application filed April 20, 1960, The Western Pacific Railroad Company, a common carrier of freight by railroad, seeks authority to abandon and remove its stockyard facilities and appurtenances including 1379.5 feet of the east end of track serving only such facilities at Las Vinas, San Joaquin County, California.

Holly Sugar Company, applicant's principal customer in this area, although advised of the proposed abandonment has indicated no objection. The file also contains a letter from the director of the California Farm Bureau Federation indicating acquiescence. The California Cattlemen's Association and their members have now expressly withdrawn their protest.

The application alleges that this facility is in need of repair, has not been used during the last few years and that its removal would result in the elimination of an annual maintenance cost of approximately \$500.

Considering the allegations in the application, together with the letters in the correspondence file to date which are hereby made a part of the record, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require the operation and maintenance by The Western Pacific Railroad Company of its stockyard facilities

and said 1379.5 feet of its railroad tracks at Las Vinas, San Joaquin County, California. A public hearing appears to be unnecessary.

ORDER

Application therefor having been filed and based upon the above findings,

IT IS ORDERED that The Western Pacific Railroad Company is authorized to abandon and remove its stockyard facilities including 1379.5 feet of the east end of the tracks serving such facilities at Las Vinas, in San Joaquin County, California.

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

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