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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for authority to abandon stock corrals at nonagency station of Edgewood, County of Siskiyou, State of California.

Application No. 42583

Randolph Karr and <u>Harold S. Lentz</u>, for applicant.

<u>O P I N I O N</u>

By this application, filed August 18, 1960, Southern Pacific Company seeks authority to abandon and remove the stock corrals and appurtenances thereto now maintained by it at Edgewood, Siskiyou County.

Public hearing was held before Examiner Carter R. Bishop at Yreka on November 3, 1960.

According to the testimony of applicant's witnesses, the total movement of livestock handled at the Edgewood stock corrals from January 1, 1957 to the date of hearing of this application consisted only of six carloads of cattle, all of which were shipped in 1959; there is no prospect of future movement; the estimated cost of necessary rehabilitation of the corrals is \$700, with an estimated annual maintenance cost of \$100; applicant derives no net revenue from transporting cattle from this point and, in fact, sustained an out-of-pocket loss of \$61 per car on the six carloads which moved in 1959.

The witnesses further testified that the public can be served conveniently by other stock corrals located in the Edgewood

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area, and that, in short, the continued maintenance of the Edgewood corrals is not necessary.

No one appeared at the hearing in opposition to the proposed removal of the corrals and appurtenances.

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Upon consideration, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require the maintenance at Edgewood of applicant's stock corrals and appurtenances thereto. The application will be granted.

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Based upon the evidence of record and the findings and conclusions set forth in the preceding opinion,

IT IS ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is authorized to abandon and remove its stock corrals and appurtenances thereto, heretofore maintained at Edgewood, Siskiyou County, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Applicant shall give not less than ten days' notice to the public of discontinuance of corral service by posting notice thereof at the station.
- (b) Appropriate changes to indicate this authorization shall be made in applicant's tariffs and timetables currently in effect upon not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public.
- (c) The authorization berein granted shall expire if not exercised within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof.

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(d) Within thirty days after discontinuance of service as herein authorized, applicant shall notify the Commission thereof and of compliance with the above conditions.

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

San Francisco Dated at , California, this 13 th day of Marmy HI. , 1960. President 0 midssioners