

Decision No. 63722**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, a)
 corporation, requesting certain)
 amendments to General Order 26-D)

Application No. 44298

ORDER

The Union Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation, on March 27, 1962 filed the above application with the Commission requesting that General Order No. 26-D be amended to permit the operation of multi-level freight cars at any location in a train.

By Decision No. 58439 dated May 19, 1959, in Case No. 4919, the Commission amended subsection 7.8 of the general order authorizing the movement of freight cars transporting highway trucks or trailers either loaded or unloaded at any location in a train. Investigation by the staff confirms that the rail carriers should likewise be permitted to operate multi-level freight cars at any location in a train.

The interested parties, including the operating rail brotherhoods, have no objections to the granting of the application.

In the circumstances, it appears and the Commission finds that subsection 7.8 of General Order No. 26-D should be amended as hereinafter provided. A public hearing is not necessary. Therefore,

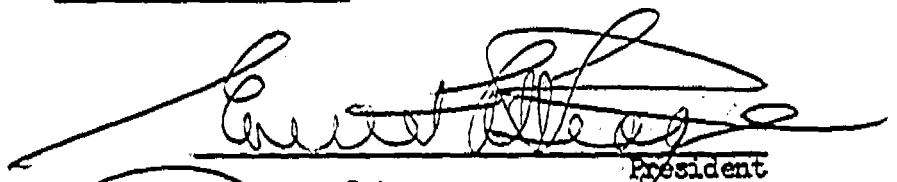
IT IS ORDERED that subsection 7.8 of Section 7 of General Order No. 26-D be amended to read as follows:

"7.8 - Cars on which the lading exceeds 15'6" in height above top of rail, if otherwise in compliance with these requirements as to width of lading, and the nature of which precludes the probability of employees getting on top of or passing over them are exempt from the conditions of this section, provided, however, that if train length permits, any such cars, except cars transporting highway trucks or trailers and multi-level freight cars either loaded or unloaded, shall be trained at least five cars distant from both the caboose and the engine."

The Secretary shall serve a copy of this order on each railroad corporation subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

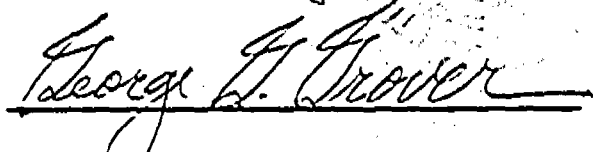
The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

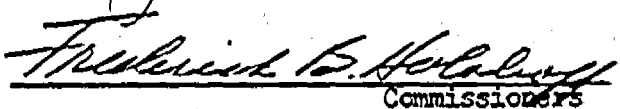
Dated at San Francisco, California, this
22nd day of MAY, 1962.


President








Commissioners