

Decision No. 74789**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
 of SACRAMENTO NORTHERN RAILWAY)
 for authority to deviate from the)
 clearance provisions of General)
 Order 26-D.)

Application No. 50542

ORDER

Sacramento Northern Railway, a corporation, on September 12, 1968, filed the above application with the Commission seeking authority to deviate from the side clearance provisions of Section 3.2, of General Order 26-D, in operations over a spur track serving the Interlake Steel Corporation, located near Milepost 43, McAvoy Station, in the County of Contra Costa.

A staff inspection of the facilities discloses that due to the nature of the industrial equipment and construction greater clearance cannot be afforded without excessive expenditure and the reducing of the efficiency of operation of the installation.

The interested parties, including the railroad operating brotherhoods, agree that the rail operations can be conducted safely at this location with the authorized impaired side clearance conditions and the restrictions contained in the order.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary and that the request should be granted,

IT IS ORDERED that Sacramento Northern Railway is authorized to deviate from Section 3.2, of General Order 26-D, in the operations over a spur track serving the Interlake Steel Corporation, located near Milepost 43, McAvoy Station, in the County of Contra Costa, with a horizontal clearance of not less than 8'1" at 15'0" above top of rail, extending diagonally upward to not less than 6'9" at 16'7" above top of rail and continuing up vertically at that point provided that:

1. All other clearances adjacent to said track shall be maintained in accordance with the requirements of General Order 26-D.
2. A sign of 24-hour visibility, reading: STOP. ONLY GONDOLA AND FLAT CARS PERMITTED BEYOND THIS POINT., shall be installed over the center of the track at the portal of the building. The word STOP shall be in 6" red letters and the balance of the wording in 3" black letters on a white background.
3. Appropriate notice shall be issued, and filed with the Commission prior to commencing operation, forbidding the railroad employees involved from moving other than open-top gondolas not exceeding a height of 10'6" above top of rail or flat cars beyond the portal of the building.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 8th day
of OCTOBER, 1968.

William Synovus, Jr.
President
Robert E. B. B. B.
Stallman Bernard
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Fred P. Morrissey
Commissioners