

Decision No. 80925

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION
COMPANY for authority to change to
Class "E" current Class "C" non-
agency station at Schellville, County
of Sonoma, State of California.

Application No. 53524
(Filed August 11, 1972;
amended November 24, 1972)

O P I N I O N

By this application, as amended, Southern Pacific Transportation Company (SP) seeks authority to change to Class "E" status its Class "C" non-agency station at Schellville, Sonoma County. A Class "C" non-agency station will handle carload and trailer load freight only; whereas, a Class "E" non-agency station will handle no freight and is for the operating convenience of the carrier only. The amendment to the application eliminated the Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company (NWP) as an applicant herein.

SP and NWP were authorized by Decision No. 77825 dated October 14, 1970 in Application No. 51923 to discontinue the agency status of the Schellville station and to remove the building and its appurtenances thereat from public service, provided that the station be maintained in a non-agency status. Since that time they have maintained the station as a Class "C" non-agency facility, and NWP, by the amendment herein, will continue to maintain it on this basis if the application is granted. The application states that SP now has no facilities at the station to handle stop-cars to complete loading at Schellville, and its trains handling such cars are being operated as run-through trains.

Applicant has served copies of the application and the amendment by mail on various interested parties. The application and the amendment were listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 15 and November 27, 1972, respectively. A protest filed by a shipper has been withdrawn. No other objections to the granting of the application have been received.

The Commission finds that:

1. Public convenience and necessity no longer require that SP maintain Schellville as a Class "C" non-agency station.
2. A public hearing is not necessary.

The Commission concludes that the application should be granted, subject to the conditions set forth in the order which follows.

O R D E R

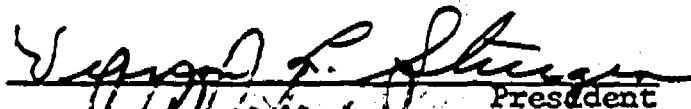
IT IS ORDERED that Southern Pacific Transportation Company is authorized to change to Class "E" non-agency status its Class "C" non-agency station at Schellville, Sonoma County, subject to the following conditions:


- (a) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, Southern Pacific Transportation Company shall file in duplicate amendments to its tariffs showing the change authorized herein and shall make reference in such tariffs to this decision as authority for this change.


- (b) Within thirty days after the change herein authorized, applicant shall, in writing, notify this Commission thereof.


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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of JANUARY, 1973.



President






Commissioners

Commissioner William Symons, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.