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Decision No. 83846

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD TRAINMEN,)

Complainant,)

vs.)

SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY,)

a corporation,)

Defendant.)

Case No. 8334

Investigation on the Commission's)
own motion into the operating rules)
and practices of SOUTHERN PACIFIC)
TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, a corporation.)

Case No. 8370

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

Interstate Commerce Commission's Certificate and Order, in AB-12 (Sub-No.9), Finance Dockets Nos. 27413 and 27414, service date July 29, 1974, authorized Southern Pacific Transportation Company to acquire trackage rights, to construct track connections and to operate over The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway's Visalia District between Lacjac and Reedley, California. Southern Pacific Transportation Company was authorized also to abandon that portion of its Exeter Branch between Lacjac and Reedley, California.

An investigation by the staff of the Transportation Division has determined that operations of both carriers over the 1.2 miles of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway trackage can be conducted safely in accordance with the modifications of the requirements of Item 5 of Decision No. 71908 in Cases Nos. 8334 and 8370 as set forth below.

Southern Pacific Transportation Company, by letter of November 6, 1974, concurs with the staff's position.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, the owning carrier, by letter of November 1, 1974, in Case No. 8464, also concurs with the staff's position.

The interested operating railroad brotherhoods have been notified and have not indicated any exception to the requested modifications.

A public hearing is not necessary herein, and the proposed modifications should be granted; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that requirements of Item 5 on Page 6 of Decision No. 71908, dated January 24, 1967, are hereby amended to read:

5. Exeter Branch. Famoso to Fresno - 104.3 miles.
Between Famoso and Ducor (22.7 miles), movements shall be made in accordance with Rule 93 supplemented by automatic block signal protection. Between Ducor and Fresno (81.6 miles), movements shall be authorized by timetable schedules and train orders; except, between Lacjac and Reedley, 1.15 miles, all movements will be made over ATSF-SP joint track. Authority shall be obtained from the ATSF train dispatcher before entering the joint track at the locations of "Stop" boards at Milepost 228.05, Lacjac, for eastward trains, and at Milepost 229.20, Reedley, for westward trains. The ATSF train dispatcher shall be notified when the authorized movement is completed.

In all other respects Decision No. 71908, dated January 24, 1967, as amended, shall remain in force and effect.

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This order shall be effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day
of DECEMBER, 1974.

Vernon L. Sturgeon
President

William S. Brown Jr.

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Robert E. Marshall
Commissioners