

A. 31282-AH

Decision No. 44067

ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. 31282
Robert Brown for exemption from the) provisions of General Order 84C)
regarding C.O.D. bond.)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant is a highway contract carrier. Under the provisions of General Order No. 84C he may not handle C.O.D. (collect on delivery) shipments until he provides a surety bond of not less than \$2,000 and files such a bond with the Commission. He seeks exemption from these requirements in connection with shipments transported for McBride Distributing Company.

The verified application shows that applicant's transportation services are limited to those performed for the distributing company. The company has stated in writing that the bonding of applicant is not necessary in connection with its C.O.D. consignments.

Under the circumstances, it appears that the granting of the sought exemption is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. Attention is called to the fact that the exemption herein granted extends only to shipments transported for McBride Distributing Company. Should applicant desire to handle C.O.D. shipments for anyone else, all outstanding requirements of the Commission's order and of the statutes must be complied with.

Because the conditions under which the C.O.D. service in question is performed may change at any time, the exemption will be limited to a one-year period and made subject to such earlier cancellation, change or extension as circumstances may require.

A. 31282-AH

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Robert Brown be and he is hereby authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for McBride Distributing Company without providing and filing the surety bond required by General Order No. 84C; that this authority will expire one (1) year after the effective date of this order, unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission; and that, in all other respects, the rules and regulations set forth in General Order No. 84C shall govern the C.O.D. services involved in this proceeding.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of April, 1950.

R. B. Ingraham
Justin F. Casper
Walter J. Powell
Harold A. Hule
Penelope Potter
Commissioners