

Decision No. 51867

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of Robert Brown for exemption from) the provisions of General Order) No. 84C requiring C.O.D. Surety) Bond.

Application No. 37189

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds city and highway contract carrier permite. By Decision No. 50388 of August 10, 1954, in Application No. 35671, he was authorized to handle C.O.D. (collect on delivery) shipments for McBride Distributing Company without securing and filing a bond with the Commission as required by General Order No. 84C. This authority has expired. Applicant again seeks relief from the bonding requirement. The shipper involved has again voluntarily waived the protection afforded by the C.O.D. bond.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that an extension of relief from the bond filing requirements is justified. Because the conditions under which the C.O.D. service in question is performed may change at any time, the extension will be limited to a oneyear period, subject to such further change as circumstances may require. So that applicant's exemption will not be inoperative for any appreciable length of time, the order herein will be made effective immediately.

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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 bond required by General Order No. 84C; that this authority shall expire one year after the effective date of this order, unless sooner cancelod, 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.

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This order shall become effective on the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>75</u> day of August, 1955.

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Commissioners