

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 53713

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| In the Matter of the Application |) | |
| of Robert Brown for exemption |) | |
| from the provisions of General |) | Application No. 38346 |
| Order No. 84C requiring C.O.D. |) | |
| Surety Bond. |) | |

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds city and highway contract carrier permits. By Decision No. 51867 of August 23, 1955, in Application No. 37189, 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 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 one-year period, subject to such further change as circumstances may require. Because applicant's exemption has expired, the order herein will be made effective on the date hereof.

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 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 on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4th day of September, 1956.

Richard E. Mitchell
 President

Justus J. Currier

Robert J. Currier

William K. Cole

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 Commissioners