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Decision No. 54129

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of Wm. A. Murphy, Inc. for) exemption from the provisions of) Applicat General Order 84-C regarding) C.O.D. Bond.)

Application No. 38536

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier and highway contract carrier permits. By Decision No. 52091 of October 18, 1955, in Application No. 37344, Wm. A. Murphy, an individual, was authorized to handle C.O.D. (Collect on Delivery) shipments for Hercules Powder Company without securing and filing a bond with the Commission as required by General Order No. 84-C. This authority has expired. The corporation now seeks similar relief from the bonding requirements. 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 the sought 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 exemption will be limited to a one-year period, subject to such further change as circumstances may require. In view of the expiration of the previous exemption, the order herein will be made effective immediately.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Wm. A. Murphy, Inc., be and it is , hereby authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Hercules Powder Company without providing and filing the bond required by General

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Order No. 84-C; 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. 84-C shall govern the C.O.D. service involved in this proceeding.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>27</u> day of November, 1956.

Commissioners