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Decision No. <u>54570</u>

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Jay W. Hughes, DBA HUGHES EXPRESS,) for exemption from the provisions of) Application No. 38781 General Order 84C regarding C.O.D.) bond.

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 52685 of February 28, 1956, in Application No. 37714, he was authorized to handle C.O.D. (collect on delivery) shipments for J. & L. Cleary, Crest Furniture Co., Great Western Furniture Co., Kay Furniture Company, Reinert and Riley, Slater Furniture Co., Times Furniture Co. and Universal Furniture Company without securing and filing a bond with the Commission as required by General Order No. 84C. This authority is scheduled to expire February 28, 1957. Applicant now seeks extension of the authority with the substitution of Payless Furniture Co. and Royal Furniture Co., Inc., for J. & L. Cleary and Slater Furniture Co. The shippers involved have voluntarily waived the protection afforded by the C.O.D. bond requirements.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that 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, the extension will be limited to a one-year period and made subject to such earlier cancellation, change or extension as circumstances may require. In view of the expiration date of applicant's previous exemption, the order herein will be made effective February 28, 1957.

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Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Jay W. Hughes, doing business as Hughes Express, be and he is hereby authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Crest Furniture Co., Great Wostern Furniture Co., Kay Furniture Co., Payless Furniture Co., Reinert and Riley, Royal Furniture Co., Inc., Times Furniture Co. and Universal Furniture Co. 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 February 28, 1957. Dated at San Francisco, California, this zet day of February, 1957.

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