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Decision No. 56456

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of L. B. ALEXANDER, dba L. B. ALEXANDER MOVING VAN and L. B. ALEXANDER & CO. for exemption from the provisions of General Order 84-C regarding C.O.D. Bond.

Application No. 39854

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds city and highway contract carrier permits. Under the provisions of General Order No. 84-C he may not handle C.O.D. (collect on delivery) shipments until he provides a bond of not less than \$2,000.00 and files such a bond with the Commission. Applicant seeks exemption from these requirements in connection with shipments transported for Hollywood Studio Furniture Co. The shipper has stores located in Oakland, San Francisco, Richmond and Hayward. It has informed the Commission in writing that it supports applicant's request for relief from the bonding requirements.

The bonding provisions were established primarily for the protection of shippers. Since that protection has been voluntarily waived by the shipper involved, it appears that the sought exemption is justified. A public hearing is not necessary.

Applicant is hereby placed upon notice that the exemption herein granted extends only to shipments transported for the Hollywood Studio Furniture Co. stores located in Oakland, San Francisco, Richmond and Hayward. Should applicant desire to handle C.O.D. shipments for anyone else, all outstanding requirements must be met.

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

Commissioners