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## Decision No. 57771

## ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ) W. A. Murphy, Inc., for exemption from ) the provisions of General Order 84-C ) Appl: Regarding C.O.D. Bond. )

Application No. 40619

## OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier and highway contract carrier permits. By Decision No. 55812 of November 12, 1957, in Application No. 39507, it 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 expired November 27, 1958.

Applicant again seeks authority to deviate from the bonding requirements in connection with C.O.D. service for Hercules Powder Company. The shipper involved has informed the Commission in writing that it supports applicant's request for relief from the C.O.D. bonding requirements.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The Commission finds that the requested reinstatement 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 exemption will be limited to a one-year period and made subject to such earlier cancellation, change or extension as circumstances may require.

Therefore, good cause appearing

IT IS ORDERED that W. A. Murphy, Inc., is hereby authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Hercules Powder Company without providing and filing the bond required by General Order No. 84-C; that

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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. services involved in this proceeding.

This order shall become effective twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>30 Th</u> day of December, 1958.

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