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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application) of LEONARD L. MEACHAM for exemption) from the provisions of General Order) 84C regarding C.O.D. Bond.

Application No. 41192

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 57065 of July 29, 1958, in Application No. 39158, he was authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Cill's Office Supplies & Equipment, Eastman Office Supply, Columbine Stationers & Printers, Harvey Freeman & Son Office Supplies & Equipment, and Belcher & Schacht, located in Long Beach, without securing and filing a bond with the Commission as required by General Order No. 84C. This authority is scheduled to expire on July 29, 1959.

Applicant seeks authority to continue to deviate from the C.O.D. bonding requirements. The application is accompanied by a letter from each of the above shippers, stating that they do not require the protection afforded by a C.O.D. bond.

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

Attention is called to the fact that the exemption herein granted extends only to shipments transported for the above-named shippers, located in Long Beach. Should applicant desire to handle C.O.D. shipments for anyone else, all outstanding requirements must be met.

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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, change or extension as circumstances may require.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that Leonard L. Meacham is hereby authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Gill's Office Supplies & Equipment, Eastman Office Supply, Columbine Stationers & Printers, Harvey Freeman & Son Office Supplies & Equipment, and Belcher & Schacht, located in Long Beach, California, without providing and filing the bond required by General Order No. 84C; that this authority shall expire July 29, 1960, 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 twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11/2 day of July, 1959.

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Commissioners