

Decision No. 65853

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation into )  
the rates, rules, regulations, charges, )  
allowances and practices of all common )  
carriers, highway carriers and city )  
carriers, relating to the transporta- )  
tion of property in the City and )  
County of San Francisco, and the )  
County of Alameda, Contra Costa, )  
Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, )  
Napa, San Benito, San Mateo, Santa )  
Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano and Sonoma. )

Case No. 5441

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 65244 dated April 16, 1963, in Case No. 7402, the Commission adopted General Order No. 84-D and found, among other things, that the Commission's minimum rate tariffs should be amended by establishing therein the rules governing C.O.D. shipments as set forth in General Order No. 84-D; and that the tariff changes should be made effective concurrently with the effective date of said general order.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. City Carriers' Tariff No. 2-A-Highway Carriers' Tariff No. 1-A (Appendix "A" of Decision No. 41362, as amended) is hereby further amended by incorporating therein, to become effective October 1, 1963, the pages which are attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, viz.:

- Twelfth Revised Page 2
- Sixth Revised Page 16-A
- Original Page 16-A-1
- Original Page 16-A-2
- Fourteenth Revised Page 40

2. Common carriers subject both to General Order No. 84-D and to said Decision No. 41362, as amended, to the extent

that they elect to transport collect on delivery (C.O.D.) shipments, are hereby directed to establish in their tariffs provisions necessary to conform with the rules established by this order.

3. Tariff publications required to be made by common carriers as a result of the order herein may be made effective not earlier than the tenth day after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public and shall be made effective not later than October 1, 1963.

4. In all other respects the aforesaid Decision No. 41362, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1963.

William W. Burnett  
President  
George L. Brown  
Frederick B. Holdoff  
Commissioners

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SECTION NO. 1 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

§ COLLECT ON DELIVERY (C.O.D.) SHIPMENTS  
(Items Nos. 130, 131 and 132)

1. A collect on delivery shipment, hereinafter referred to as a C.O.D. shipment, means a shipment upon which the consignor has attached, as a condition of delivery, the collection of a specific sum or sums of moneys by the carrier making delivery thereon and the return of said moneys to the consignor or other payee designated by the consignor.

2. No carrier shall handle C.O.D. shipments unless and until it has on file with the Commission a good and sufficient bond in such form as the Commission may deem proper, in a sum of not less than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000). The principal amount of the bond of any particular carrier may be increased from time to time where the Commission finds that the public interest so requires.

3. The bond required by paragraph 2 hereof shall be filed by the carrier as principal and by a qualified surety insurer, authorized to do business in the State of California, as surety, payable to any person or persons to whom any amount may be due on any C.O.D. shipment transported by the carrier and not remitted to the person or persons to whom it is due within 10 days after delivery of any such C.O.D. shipment; that each bond filed pursuant to the foregoing shall specify the extent to which the carrier's operations are covered thereby; that such a bond may cover more than one operative authority held by the same carrier; that when a carrier with such a bond on file with the Commission obtains additional operative authority, said bond shall be revised or reissued to show whether or not the additional operative authority is covered thereby; and that the name of the carrier's surety company in any bond filed pursuant hereto will be made public by the Commission upon reasonable request therefor.

4. The term of the bond shall include: that any person or persons to whom an amount may be due on any C.O.D. shipment transported by a carrier and not remitted within 10 days after delivery of said shipment may file a claim therefor with the surety; that upon the filing of the claim, the surety shall notify the Commission and the carrier in writing of such filing; that such notification to the Commission shall be addressed to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California at its office in San Francisco; that suit against the surety shall be commenced within one year after the date the shipment was tendered to the carrier; and that the surety waives any rights it may have under Section 2845 of the Civil Code of the State of California.

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5. The bond required herein may be canceled by the surety by written notice to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California at its office in San Francisco, such cancellation to become effective thirty days after receipt of said notice by the Commission.

6. The bond prescribed herein shall not be required of carriers while engaged as independent-contractor subhaulers; or city carriers operating within lawfully established pickup and delivery limits as agents of a common carrier in the performance for such common carrier of transfer, pickup or delivery services provided for in the lawfully published tariffs of such common carrier.

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Item No.	SECTION NO. 1 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)
	<p data-bbox="355 393 1339 471">6 COLLECT ON DELIVERY (C.O.D.) SHIPMENTS (Continued) (Items Nos. 130, 131 and 132)</p> <p data-bbox="314 497 1260 536">7. Every carrier handling C.O.D. shipments shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="394 562 1419 796">(a) Establish and maintain a separate bank account or accounts wherein all moneys (other than checks or drafts payable to consignor or payee designated by consignor) collected on C.O.D. shipments will be held in trust until remitted to payee, except C.O.D. moneys which are remitted within five days after delivery.</li><li data-bbox="394 822 1441 1252">(b) Establish and maintain a record or records of all C.O.D. shipments in such manner and form as will plainly and readily show the following information with respect to each shipment:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="491 953 1188 992">(1) Number and date of freight bill.</li><li data-bbox="491 992 1304 1057">(2) Name and address of consignor or other person designated as payee.</li><li data-bbox="491 1057 1151 1096">(3) Name and address of consignee.</li><li data-bbox="491 1096 1035 1135">(4) Date shipment delivered.</li><li data-bbox="491 1135 1222 1174">(5) Amount of C.O.D. moneys collected.</li><li data-bbox="491 1174 1111 1213">(6) Date C.O.D. moneys remitted.</li><li data-bbox="491 1213 1270 1252">(7) Check number or other identification of remittance to payee.</li></ul></li><li data-bbox="394 1278 1385 1656">(c) Collect the full amount of the C.O.D. moneys at the time C.O.D. shipments are delivered to the consignee and remit all such collections to consignor, or to other persons designated by the consignor on such shipments, promptly and in no event later than 10 days after delivery to the consignee, unless consignor instructs otherwise in writing. All remittances for C.O.D. shipments shall refer to or otherwise identify the C.O.D. shipment or shipments covered by the remittance.</li><li data-bbox="394 1682 1444 1812">(d) Not accept checks or drafts (other than certified checks, cashier's checks, or money orders) in payment of C.O.D. charges unless authority has been received from the consignor.</li><li data-bbox="394 1838 1479 2216">(e) Notify the consignor immediately if a C.O.D. shipment is refused or cannot be delivered on the carrier's initial attempt. Upon instructions from the consignor the carrier may attempt subsequent deliveries, the charge for each such delivery, or attempted delivery, being determined by the applicable freight charges from carrier's terminal to the point of destination. The carrier may also return the shipment to the consignor upon his request, subject to a charge equal to the applicable freight charges on the original outbound movement.</li></ul>

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(f) Have recorded on, or appended to, the shipper's copy of its C.O.D. shipping document, the following information:

- (1) That the carrier has on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California a C.O.D. surety bond, with an aggregate liability of not less than \$2,000.
- (2) That claims arising from failure to remit C.O.D. moneys may be filed directly against the surety company and any suits against the surety must be commenced within one year from the date the shipment was tendered.
- (3) That the name and address of the surety company may be obtained from the Public Utilities Commission, State Building, San Francisco 2, California.

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Item No.	SECTION NO. 1 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)	
	§ COLLECT ON DELIVERY (C.O.D.) SHIPMENTS (Concluded) (Items Nos. 130, 131 and 132)	
	8. If, in any particular case, exemption or deviation from any of the requirements herein is deemed necessary by the carrier concerned, the Commission will consider the application of such carrier for such exemption or deviation when accompanied by a full statement of the conditions existing and the reasons why such exemption or deviation is considered necessary.	
	9. A carrier not electing to undertake transportation of C.O.D. shipments shall be deemed to have given notice of such election by not filing the bond provided for herein for carriers handling such shipments.	
	10. The charges for collecting and remitting the amount of C.O.D. bills collected on C.O.D. shipments shall be as follows:	
	When the amount collected is	Charge for collecting and remitting will be
	Not over \$20.00	\$0.81
*132	Over 20.00 not over \$25.00	0.85
	Over 25.00 not over 40.00	0.98
	Over 40.00 not over 50.00	1.06
	Over 50.00 not over 60.00	1.32
	Over 60.00 not over 80.00	1.38
	Over 80.00 not over 100.00	1.44
	Over 100.00 not over 102.50	1.78
	Over 102.50 not over 105.00	1.84
	Over 105.00 not over 110.00	1.91
	Over 110.00 not over 120.00	1.96
	Over 120.00 not over 140.00	2.04
	Over 140.00 not over 150.00	2.09
	Over 150.00 not over 160.00	2.24
	Over 160.00 not over 180.00	2.29
	Over 180.00 not over 200.00	2.32
	Over 200.00 not over 250.00	2.62
	Over 250.00 not over 300.00	3.01
	Over 300.00 not over 350.00	3.41
	Over 350.00 not over 400.00	3.79
	Over 400.00 not over 450.00	4.19
	Over 450.00 not over 500.00	4.60
	Over 500.00 not over 550.00	4.97
	Over 550.00 not over 600.00	5.34
	Over 600.00 not over 650.00	5.75
	Over 650.00 not over 700.00	6.14
Over 700.00 not over 750.00	6.54	
Over 750.00 not over 800.00	6.92	
Over 800.00 not over 850.00	7.33	
Over 850.00 not over 900.00	7.71	
Over 900.00 not over 950.00	8.10	
Over 950.00 not over 1,000.00	8.48	
Over 1,000.00	at rate of \$8.48 per \$1,000.00	

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Item No.	SECTION NO. 3 - COMMODITY RATES (Concluded) In cents per 100 pounds, except as noted	RATE
COMMODITY		RATE
<p>§990</p>	<p><b>PARCEL CITY DELIVERY (Wholesale Only) (See Note 1)</b>                      Within and between all zones, and applies on packages containing property, weighing not to exceed (1) 40 pounds per package, and only on deliveries from jobbers, wholesalers, industries and retail stores to other jobbers, wholesalers, industries and retail stores.</p> <p>1 to and including 100 packages per week _____                      Over 100 " " " 400 " " " _____                      " 400 " " " 800 " " " _____                      " 800 packages per week _____</p> <p>(1) On all packages exceeding 40 pounds in weight, an additional charge of 3 cents per pound shall be made for each pound or fraction thereof in excess of 40 pounds.</p> <p>NOTE 1.-The above rates are subject to a service charge of 50 cents for each pickup stop made at consignor's place of business.</p> <p>NOTE 2.-The charge for collection and return of money on C.O.D. shipments will be 30 cents per shipment. (Exception to paragraph 10, Item No. 132.)</p>	<p>In Cents Per Package</p> <p>65 50 49 48</p> <p>(See Note 2)</p>
	<p>§995</p>	<p><b>PARCEL CITY DELIVERIES</b>                      Within and between all zones, and applies on deliveries from manufacturers, manufacturers' agents, wholesalers, jobbers and commercial distributors. (See Notes 1 and 2.)</p> <p>Weight per package, 70 pounds or less _____</p> <p>NOTE 1.-The consignor must elect in writing in advance to utilize the rate in this item for all packages weighing 70 pounds or less tendered to the carrier during any calendar week.</p> <p>NOTE 2.-All charges must be prepaid.</p> <p>NOTE 3.-An additional charge of 30 cents shall be assessed for each C.O.D. collected. (Exception to paragraph 10, Item No. 132.)</p>
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