

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 70006

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of ROBERT NORTON to)
handle C.O.D. shipments for Dorn's)
Stores, Inc., and for Dorn's)
Stores, Inc. dba Major Appliance)
Department GEMCO, Major Appli-)
ance Department GEM International,)
and Major Appliance Department)
Bay Mart of San Leandro, without)
providing and filing the bond)
required by General Order 84-F.)

Application No. 47991
(Filed October 21, 1965)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier and city carrier permits. By this application, he seeks exemption from the provisions of General Order No. 84-F, under which carriers may not handle C.O.D. shipments until a bond of not less than \$2,000 is provided and filed with the Commission. The sought exemption would apply only in connection with shipments transported for the shipper hereinafter designated. The application is accompanied by a letter from Dorn's Stores, Inc., stating in effect that the bonding of applicant is not necessary in connection with its C.O.D. consignments.

General Order No. 84-F contains bonding requirements and additional provisions governing the handling of C.O.D. shipments. The bonding provisions are set forth in Ordering Paragraphs 2 to 7, inclusive. Corresponding provisions are set forth in minimum rate tariffs of the Commission.

The rules and requirements governing the transportation of C.O.D. shipments were established primarily for the protection of shippers. Since the bonding protection has been waived by the shipper involved in this application, the Commission finds that the sought exemption is justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

Attention is called to the fact that the exemption herein granted extends only to shipments transported for the specified shipper. 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.

IT IS ORDERED that Robert Norton is hereby relieved from the requirements of Ordering Paragraphs 2 to 7, inclusive, of General Order No. 84-F and the corresponding provisions set forth in minimum rate tariffs of the Commission in the handling of C.O.D. shipments for Dorn's Stores, Inc., in San Jose and Cupertino and Dorn's Stores, Inc., doing business as Major Appliance Department GEMCO in San Jose and Cupertino, Major Appliance Department GEM in San Jose and San Leandro, and Major Appliance Department Bay Mart

in San Leandro. This authority shall expire one year after the effective date of this order unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23rd day of November, 1965.

Robert E. Neisler President
George A. Hoover
William L. Bennett
Rogers Commissioners

Commissioner Frederick B. Holeboff, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.