

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 70889

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
CARL A. MARCH, an individual, and)
the Commission's Decision No. 69218,)
dated 8 June 1965, in a proceeding)
that granted authority to handle)
C.O.D. shipments for MONTGOMERY WARD)
without providing and filing the)
bond required by General Order 84-F)

Application No. 48492
(Filed May 23, 1966)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant holds radial highway common carrier, highway contract carrier and city carrier permits. By Decision No. 69218 dated June 8, 1965, in Application No. 47564, he was authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Montgomery Ward & Co. without securing and filing a bond of not less than \$2,000 with the Commission as required by General Order No. 84-F. This authority expired with June 10, 1966.

By this application, exemption is sought from the bonding requirements of the above general order in connection with C.O.D. service for the same shipper. Attached to the application as Exhibit "A" is a letter from Montgomery Ward & Co. stating in effect that the bonding of applicant is not necessary in connection with its C.O.D. consignments.

The bonding provisions are set forth in Ordering Paragraphs 2 to 7, inclusive, of General Order No. 84-F. Corresponding provisions are set forth in various minimum rate tariffs of the Commission.

The rules 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.

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 period of one year. As applicant's exemption has expired, the order which follows will be made effective on the date hereof.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Carl A. March 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 Montgomery Ward & Co.

2. The authority herein granted shall expire one year after the effective date of this order unless sooner canceled, changed or extended by order of the Commission.

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This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st day of

June, 1966.

Fredrick B. Herbloff
President

John E. Mitchell

George T. Foster

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William B. Bennett
Commissioners