

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 76151

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:)

Pedro S. Villagran, dba Castro)	Application No. 51270
Transfer, for authority to handle)	(Filed July 24, 1969)
C.O.D. shipments for Peck & Hills)	
Furniture Co. without providing)	
and filing the bond as required)	
by General Order No. 84-F.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

Pedro S. Villagran, doing business as Castro Transfer Co., holds radial highway common carrier and household goods carrier permits. By Decision No. 74226 dated October 15, 1968, in Application No. 50508, he was authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Peck & Hills Furniture 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 is scheduled to expire with November 4, 1969.

By this application, further exemption is sought from the bonding requirements of General Order No. 84-F in connection with C.O.D. service for this shipper. The application is accompanied by a letter from Peck & Hills Furniture Co. stating in effect that the bonding of applicant is not necessary in connection with its C.O.D. consignments.

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. services in question are performed may change, the exemption will be limited to a one-year period.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pedro S. Villagran, doing business as Castro Transfer Co., 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 Peck & Hills Furniture Co.

2. The authority herein granted shall supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 74826 and shall expire with November 4, 1970, 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 10th day of September, 1969.

Commissioner Thomas Moran, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

William J. Lewis, Jr.
President

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Commissioners