Decision No. 80581

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE S

In the Matter of the Application of)
AERO LEATHER PRODUCTS CO. for exemp-)
tion from the provisions of General)
Order No. 84-F under P.U.C. Rules)
of Practice and Procedure.

Application No. 53564 (Filed September 1, 1972)

OPINION AND ORDER

Aero Leather Products Co., a corporation, operates as a highway contract carrier. By this application it seeks authority to handle C.O.D. shipments for J.P. Stevens & Co., Inc., without securing and filing a bond of not less than \$2,000 with the Commission as required by General Order No. 84-F.

Attached to the application is a letter from J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc. stating that the bonding of applicant is not necessary in connection with its C.O.D. shipments.

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. 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:

- 1. Aero Leather Products Co., a corporation, is hereby relieved from the requirements of Paragraphs 2 to 7, inclusive, of General Order No. 84-F in the handling of C.O.D. shipments for J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc.
- 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.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. San Francisco , California, this OCTOBER day of 1972.

Commissioners

Commissioner D. W. Holmes, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.