

Decision No. 87128

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application)
of Wood's Van Lines Inc. for)
exemption from the provisions of)
General Order No. 84-G regarding)
C.O.D. Bond.)

Application No. 57038
(Filed January 27, 1977)

OPINION AND ORDER

Applicant operates as a highway permit carrier. By this application it seeks an exemption from the provisions of General Order 84-G 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 Bi-Mor Stores and ten other shippers. The application is accompanied by letters from the shippers stating in effect that the bonding of applicant is not necessary in connection with their C.O.D. consignments.

The bonding provisions were established primarily for the protection of shippers. Since that protection has been voluntarily waived by the shippers involved in this application, the Commission finds that the sought exemption is justified. A public hearing is not necessary.

Because the conditions under which the C.O.D. service in question is performed may change, the exemption will be limited to a two-year period.

IT IS ORDERED that Wood's Van Lines, Inc. is hereby authorized to handle C.O.D. shipments for Bi-Mor Stores, California Distributors, Carriage House, Eastern Furniture, Georgetown Manor, Leo's Furniture, Monte's Furniture, San Jose Hide-Away Bed Center,

Summer's Furniture, Trend Furniture and Valley Manor without providing and filing the bond required by Ordering Paragraphs 2 to 7, inclusive, of General Order 84-G; that this authority shall expire two years after the effective date of this order; unless sooner cancelled, changed or extended by order of the Commission; and that in all other respects the rules set forth in General Order 84-G shall govern the C.O.D. services involved in this proceeding.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of March, 1977.

Robert Bateman
President
William J. Sweeney
Vernon L. Sturgeon
Alvin
Richard R. Howell
Commissioners