COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VS.

CASE NO. 8812

EUGENE MCGRUDER D/B/A

BIG VALLEY TRAILER SEWAGE SYSTEM

ORDER

On January 12, 1983, the Public Service Commission requested Big Valley Trailer Sewage System ("Big Valley") to provide information regarding the operation of a sewage system in Shepherdsville, Kentucky. As of April 18, 1983, no information had been received from Big Valley by the Commission.

A hearing was held in Frankfort, Kentucky, on May 6, 1983, and all parties of interest were given an opportunity to be heard.

Commentary

Big Valley is owned and operated by Mr. Eugene McGruder. The sewage treatment system is an approximately three-acre lagoon currently serving 20 to 25 mobile homes. This lagoon is approximately 18 months old with the chlorinator and surrounding fence still to be built. The plant is expected to handle around 475 trailer units when completed.

Mr. Eugene McGruder, owner and operator of Big Valley, appeared at the hearing and provided testimony on behalf of Big Valley. The ongoing operations of Big Valley will be controlled by a condominium type of organization. Each trailer site owner will pay a monthly maintenance fee to cover the cost of services such as water and sewage, garbage pickup, and street lighting. Each trailer site owner will be able to vote on the amount of the monthly maintenance fee and the uses of the fee.

Opinion and Order

The Commission, after examining the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

- 1. The residents of the Big Valley development will not be billed separately for their sewage disposal service. The cost of this service will be included in a monthly maintenance fee, which will be set by the trailer site owners.
- 2. On the basis of finding Number 1 herein, Big Valley should not be considered a jurisdictional utility of this Commission, since no compensation is received for the sewage disposal service.
- 3. Mr. Eugene McGruder, by his appearance and testimony at the May 6, 1983, hearing, has complied with all current requirements of this Commission relative to Big Valley.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Big Valley shall not be subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission as long as its organization and operations are substantially in accordance with the findings of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of September, 1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Not Participating Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary