## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY-AMERICAN )
WATER COMPANY FOR PERMISSION TO )
DEVIATE FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF 807 ) CASE NO. 10160
KAR 5:066, SECTION 16(2), OF THE )
COMMISSION'S RULES

## ORDER

By application filed February 12, 1988, Kentucky-American Water Company ("Kentucky-American") requested a deviation from 807 KAR 5:066, Section 16(2). Said request proposed that Kentucky-American be relieved of the requirement to test new meters prior to their being placed in service. Kentucky-American proposed to adopt sample testing procedures to verify the validity of manufacturer's tests of purchased 5/8" and 1" meters.

The Commission, having reviewed the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

- 1. Kentucky-American is currently purchasing 5/8" and 1" meters manufacturered and tested by Badger Meter, Inc., of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 2. Badger Meter, Inc.'s testing facilities in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, have been inspected and certificated by the Commission for meters ranging in size from 5/8" to 2".
- 3. Kentucky-American's proposed sample testing procedures for verifying the validity of manufacturer's tests of purchased 5/8" and 1" meters are acceptable to, but not required by, the Commission.

4. Kentucky-American's request for permission to install new meters without testing per 807 KAR 5:066, Section 16(2) by Kentucky-American is considered herein as a request per 807 KAR 5:006, Section 13(2) for approval of the testing performed by the meter manufacturer. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:006, Section 13 the Commission will approve testing by an outside agency once the agency's test facilities and procedures have been certified by the Commission and Kentucky-American notifies the Commission in writing of its intention to use such agency's test data.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Kentucky-American's request to utilize the initial testing of its new 5/8" and 1" meters performed by Badger Meter, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, be and it hereby is approved pursuant to 807 KAR 5:006, Section 13(2).

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of March, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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