COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

INVESTIGATION INTO THE OPERATING)
STATUS OF SOUTH MARSHALL WATER) CASE NO. 10269
DISTRICT)

ORDER

On April 27, 1987, the City of Hardin, Kentucky ("Hardin"), confirmed by letter to the Commission that it was operating the South Marshall Water District as part of its own system. The letter was in response to a Commission inquiry following notification by the State Revenue Cabinet that the South Marshall Water District no longer exists. This action was done without prior Commission approval in violation of KRS 278.020(4).

After consideration of the record, the Commission FINDS the following:

- (1) This case should be established to recognize Hardin as the operator of the former South Marshall Water District. The Commission's records confirming this transaction should be made a part of the record.
- (2) No consumer complaints or service problems have been reported as a result of Hardin's assumption of service. Hardin clearly meets the conditions to provide safe and reliable water service and has the financial, technical, and managerial abilities to provide reasonable service.

- (3) Due to the circumstances and Hardin's willingness to take over the operations of South Marshall Water District, no action should be taken for failure to obtain prior approval.
- (4) The City of Hardin's Water System is not a public utility under our jurisdiction pursuant to KRS 278.010 (3). South Marshall Water District should be removed from our records as an operating public utility.

BE IT SO ORDERED.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of June, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR