COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

INVESTIGATION INTO THE OPERATING STATUS OF MARS HILL CORPORATION

CASE NO. 10388

ORDER

On September 9, 1988, the Boone County Water and Sewer District ("Boone County") confirmed that it had taken over the operations of the Mars Hill Corporation ("Mars") in April, 1986. Mars' collection line system is now part of the Boone County System. 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 Boone County as the owner and operator of the Mars system. The Commission's records confirming this transaction should be made a part of the record.
- (2) No consumer complaints or service problems have been received as a result of Boone County's assumption of service. Boone County clearly meets the condition to provide safe and reliable sewer service and has the financial, technical, and managerial abilities to provide reasonable service.

(3) Boone County is a public utility under our jurisdiction pursuant to KRS 278.010(3). Mars should be removed from our records as an operating public utility.

BE IT SO ORDERED.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of September, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman Laur Vice Chairman

Commissioner Mullians

ATTEST:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR