### CONNONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF SOUTH SHORE ) WATER WORKS COMPANY FOR AN ) CASE NO. 90-087 ADJUSTMENT IN NON-RECURRING CHARGES )

#### ORDER

On April 6, 1990, South Shore Water Works Company ("South Shore") filed an application requesting to increase its charges for requested meter test, reconnection of service, service calls, new accounts, and returned checks. South Shore also proposed to establish a service call and reconnection charge for after business hours, and a meter recheck charge. Finally, South Shore proposed to establish a tap fee for 5/8-inch, 1-inch, and larger size meters. On April 16, 1990, the Commission issued a letter requesting additional information concerning certain filing deficiencies be filed within 15 days. On April 18, 1990, South Shore filed its response to the deficiency letter.

On April 20, 1990, South Shore filed a copy of an affidavit verifying that its notice to the public was published in Portsmouth Daily Times on March 30, April 6, and April 16, 1990.

South Shore has filed schedules with the Commission which itemize the expenses involved in providing the above-mentioned services. A review of these schedules indicates that the proposed service charge and reconnection charge after business hours, and the 1-inch tap fee are not equal to the expense of each charge. South Shore's labor rate for an after business hours service charge and reconnection charge is based on an amount greater than 1.5 times the normal hourly rate.

South Shore's tap fee for a 1-inch meter connection included an overhead expense amount based on an installation expense total of \$390.71. The correct amount for installation expense is \$240.89.<sup>1</sup>

Based on the schedules filed by South Shore and the adjustments made to them by the Commission, the proposed charges are equal to the expense of each charge and the individual expenses are reasonable.

The Commission, having considered the evidence and being sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. South Shore's proposed service charge and reconnection charge after regular business hours, and its proposed 1-inch meter tap fee is denied.

2. South Shore is hereby granted an increase in its requested meter test, reconnection charge, service charge, new account charge, and returned check charge as set out in Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

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Labor	\$122.79
Equipment	92.25
Miscellaneous	25.85
	<u>\$240.89</u>

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<sup>1</sup> Installation Expense

3. South Shore is hereby permitted to establish a service charge and reconnection charge after business hours, a meter recheck charge, and a meter tap fee for a 5/8-inch meter and a 1-inch meter as set out in Appendix A hereto.

4. Within 30 days from the date of this Order, South Shore shall file its revised tariff sheets setting out the charges approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of May, 1990.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

### APPENDIX A

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 90-087 DATED May 29, 1990.

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by South Shore Water Works Company. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

## Non-Recurring Charges

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Meter Recheck Charge	\$10.00
Requested Meter Test	25.00
Returned Check Charge	15.00
New Account Charge	5.00
Service Charge	
A. During regular business hours	10.00
B. After regular business hours	13.70
Service Reconnect Charge	
A. During regular business hours	25.00
B. After regular business hours	32.50

## Meter Tap Fees

Α.	5/8 Inch Meter	\$400.00
в.	1 Inch Meter	510.00
с.	Meter Larger than 1 Inch	Actual Cost