COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF OHIO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR (1) AUTHORITY TO ASSUME) OWNERSHIP, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE) OF ROUGH RIVER WATER SYSTEM, INC.;) (2) AUTHORITY TO MAKE GENERAL) CASE NO. 95-459 ADJUSTMENTS IN THE CURRENT RATES;) AND (3) AUTHORITY TO INCREASE THE) CURRENT CONNECTION FEES)

<u>O R D E R</u>

On December 28, 1995, Ohio County Water District ("Ohio Water") applied for authority to assume ownership of the Rough River Water System, Inc., to adjust its rates, and to increase its connection fees. In its filing, Ohio Water requested a deviation from the requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8.

807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, both require notice to the utility's customers by publication of the notice once a week for three consecutive weeks in a prominent manner in a newspaper of general circulation in the utility's service area, with the initial publication to be made within seven days of the filing of the application with the Commission. The regulations also require that the notice state that a copy of the application and testimony shall be available for public inspection at the utility's offices. Ohio Water's initial publication of the notice was made more than seven days prior to the filing of its application. Further, the public inspection language was inadvertently omitted from the customer notice. Having reviewed the filing and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that due to the cost associated with republication of the notice Ohio Water's request for a deviation from the above-cited regulations should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Ohio Water's request for a deviation from the requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, is hereby granted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of January, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST: Executive Director