

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE TARIFF FILING OF MUHLENBERG COUNTY)
WATER DISTRICT TO REVISE ITS EXTENSION) CASE NO. 96-151
OF SERVICE POLICY AND ITS OWNERS WHO)
RENT PAYMENT POLICY)

O R D E R

On March 8, 1996, Muhlenberg County Water District ("Muhlenberg County") filed a tariff with the Commission wherein it proposed to revise its extension of service policy and its payment policy for homeowners who are renting a property served by Muhlenberg. Muhlenberg did not propose an effective date for the filing.

Muhlenberg proposed to revise its extension of service policy to require customers to pay the entire cost of a line in excess of 3 inches in diameter, that the customer pay a non-refundable \$500 payment in advance for engineering studies and that the customer be required to pay for two residential services if the line is an extension from a non dead-end line. Muhlenberg added language to its tariff that requires property owners who rent dwellings to insure that any and all delinquent bills in both the owner's and renter's name be paid before service is established.

The Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposed tariff.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The proposed tariff filing of Muhlenberg County be and it hereby is suspended for five months from April 7, 1996 up to and including September 6, 1996.

2. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering a final decision in this case prior to the termination of the suspension period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of April, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Lynda K. Breathitt
For the Commission

ATTEST:


Don Mills
Executive Director