COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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COMPLAINANT

In the Matter of

W. T. HILL

VS:

CASE NO. 7959

SALT RIVER WATER DISTRICT DEFENDANT

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

Preface

On September 8, 1980, Mr. W. T. Hill (Complainant) filed with this Commission a formal complaint against the Salt River Water District (Defendant); stipulating that the Defendant did, on August 28, 1980, disconnect his two-inch water meter without sufficient justification for such action.

This matter was set for hearing and all parties of interest were duly notified of the time and date: 1:30 p.m., CDT, October 16, 1980.

The record in this matter is now considered complete and ready for a final determination by this Commission.

OPINION AND ORDER

The Commission, after a review of the record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds:

1. That Complainant's truck loading platform has been connected to a water main of the City of Shepherdsville by means of a recently constructed water line of two-inch diameter. Complainant, therefore, now has a source of water supply, other than that previously supplied by the Defendant.

2. That the livelihood of the Complainant has not been unfairly affected by disconnection of Defendant's water supply.

3. That, according to the testimony in this matter, Defendant's water service to a significant number of residential customers was adversely affected by large volumes of flow through Complainant's two-inch water meter. Further, that Complainant's business was of such volume that continued tolerance of the adverse effects therefrom could no longer be considered reasonable by the Defendant.

4. That according to the record and testimony in this matter, Complainant's two-inch water meter was installed on a temporary basis subject to disconnection if the demand for water therefrom resulted in inadequate, unreliable, and inefficient service to existing customers of the Defendant.

5. That Defendant's disconnection of Complainant's two-inch meter was justified in this instance, was a reasonable exercise of the Defendant's authority, and should result in improved service to residential customers served by the Defendant.

6. That this Commission can find no basis for sustaining the Complaint filed by Mr. W. T. Hill against the Salt River Water District.

On the basis of the record and testimony in this case and the matters hereinbefore set forth:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Complaint filed by Mr. W. T Hill against the Salt River Water District on September 8, 1980, be and it is hereby dismissed.

> Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of November, 1980. UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary