

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

NOTICE BY BRONSTON WATER)
ASSOCIATION, INC., TO) CASE NO. 8800
INCREASE ITS WATER RATES)

ORDER DENYING REHEARING

On September 3, 1983, the Commission issued an Order in the above-styled matter wherein an increase in the water rates of Bronston Water Association ("Bronston") was granted, but a change in rate design proposed by Bronston was denied. On October 12, 1983, Bronston filed its petition for rehearing, specifically limiting itself to questions concerning its cost of service study, submitted in support of the rate design change, which the Commission held to be invalid. In support of its petition, Bronston requested that it be allowed to present further testimony and exhibits to correct the deficiencies found in the cost study by the Commission.


Pursuant to KRS 278.190, the burden of proof to show that the proposed increased rates are just and reasonable is on the utility. The Commission is of the opinion that Bronston had sufficient opportunity to present testimony and exhibits with regard to the proposed rates and the supporting cost study, that no purpose would be served by further hearing in this matter and that, should Bronston choose to pursue a change in rate design, a


revised cost of service study should be filed with a future application for rate adjustment.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the petition for rehearing be and it hereby is denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 1st day of November, 1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary