

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY-AMERICAN)
WATER COMPANY FOR CERTIFICATION) CASE NO. 9093
OF DEPRECIATION)

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

On the 29th day of June, 1984, Kentucky-American Water Company ("Kentucky-American") filed its Application with the Commission wherein it proposes to revise its depreciation rates and methods to be effective on January 1, 1985.

The Commission is of the opinion and finds that a hearing and investigation will be necessary in order to determine the appropriateness of the proposed depreciation rates and methods and that such investigation should be completed according to a procedural schedule so that all parties of interest may participate.

The Commission has no procedural guideline to investigate depreciation rates for water companies. In this instance, and until some are established, the guidelines set out for investigating depreciation rates for telephone companies in 807 KAR 5:064 will be followed as closely as possible.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED That the Commission staff and each party of record shall file a response to Kentucky-American's proposed depreciation schedule by the close of business September 28, 1984.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That the Commission staff, each party of record, and Kentucky-American shall participate in an informal conference in Hearing Room No. 2, Commission Annex Building, 677 Commanche Trail, Frankfort, Kentucky, on October 24, 1984, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time. The purpose of the conference shall be the review of the proposed rates and methods and the development of an agreed depreciation schedule by the Commission staff and Kentucky-American.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That a hearing be and it hereby is scheduled to commence on December 5, 1984, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in the Commission's offices, Frankfort, Kentucky, to allow comment by any interested party on the appropriateness of the proposed depreciation rates.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That where notice of the hearing pursuant to KRS 424.300 is published by Kentucky-American in a newspaper, it shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the areas that will be affected one time not less than 7 nor more than 21 days prior to the hearing, giving the purpose, time, place and date of hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein will be granted only upon a showing of compelling reasons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of August, 1984.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Richard D. Williams, Jr.
For the Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary