

BEFORE THE UTILITY DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION ) DOCKET NO. 6392  
OF THE CITY OF SCOBEEY FOR AUTHORITY )  
TO ADOPT INCREASED WATER RATES ) DEFAULT ORDER NO. 4263

On July 30, 1975, CITY OF SCOBEEY petitioned the Montana Public Service Commission for an Order authorizing the applicant to increase its water rates in order to generate revenues for the operation, repair and improvement of its water system.

Having considered the petition and the documentation furnished by applicant in support of its petition and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A notice of a proposed public hearing to be held, if requested, was published in the April 29, 1976, edition of the Daniels County Leader. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by May 28, 1976, an appropriate order would be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application.

2. No requests for a hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. On April 5, 1976, the City Council of the City of Scobey unanimously adopted a resolution setting water rates at the proposed level.

4. In order to guarantee its ability to provide reasonably adequate service to residents, the City of Scobey needs additional revenues for the operation, repair and improvement of the water system, including emergency repairs of the water tower.

5. The repairs, maintenance and improvements of the facilities are essential for the preservation of the public's health, safety and well-being.

#### CONCLUSION OF LAW

The rates approved by applicant and all other rates approved herein are just and reasonable.

#### ORDER

1. The following changes to the old rate tariff are authorized:

##### Residential - Monthly

First 4,000 gallons	\$3.00 minimum
All additional	\$ .25 per 1,000 gallons

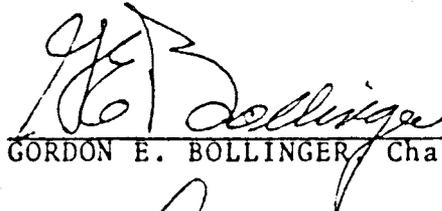
##### Commercial - Monthly

First 3,000 gallons	\$3.00 minimum
Next 7,000 gallons	\$ .40 per 1,000 gallons
Next 35,000 gallons	\$ .35 per 1,000 gallons
Next 50,000 gallons	\$ .25 per 1,000 gallons
All additional	\$ .15 per 1,000 gallons

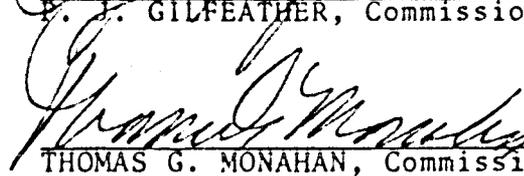
2. The filed tariffs shall be for water delivered during the next full billing period after July 1, 1976.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION in Helena, Montana, on June 10, 1976,  
by a 4-0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

  
GORDON E. BOLLINGER, Chairman

  
F. J. GILFEATHER, Commissioner

  
THOMAS G. MONAHAN, Commissioner

  
JAMES R. SHEA, Commissioner

ATTEST:  
  
GAIL E. BEHAN  
Secretary

(Seal)

NOTICE: You are entitled to judicial review of this Order. Ju-  
dicial review may be obtained by filing within thirty (30)  
days from the service of this Order a petition for review  
pursuant to Section 82-4216, RCM 1947.