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Service Date: June 20, 1978

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

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IN THE MATTER of the Application)
of the TOWN OF BAINVILLE for au-) DOCKET NO. 6573
thority to adopt Increased Water)
Rates.) DEFAULT ORDER NO. 4423
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On April 19, 1978, the TOWN OF BAINVILLE (Applicant) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission for an Order authorizing the Applicant to increase its water rates to provide additional revenue for the repair and improvement of the existing facility, to defray increased cost of operation and to pay for a new water well.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application 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 proposed public hearing to be held, if requested, was published in the May 18, 1978 edition of The Herald-News, Wolf Point, Montana. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by June 15, 1978, an appropriate order would be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application. A copy of the notice was sent to the Bainville Progressive as a news item.

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

3. On April 11, 1978 the entire Town Council of the Town of Bainville passed a resolution setting water rates at the proposed level.

4. The Town alleges it needs additional revenue to pay for the new well, repair and improvements of such facilities, and defray increased cost of operation.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter.

2. The resulting rate levels are reasonable and just.

ORDER

1. The following monthly rates are authorized:

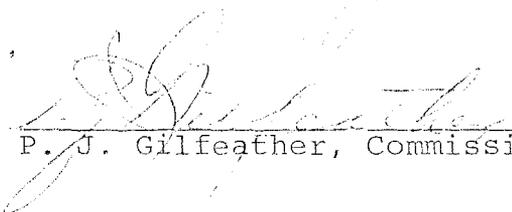
First 4,000 gallons	\$ 5.50
Over 4,000 gallons	\$.75 per thousand

The filed tariffs shall be effective for water service rendered on and after June 19, 1978.

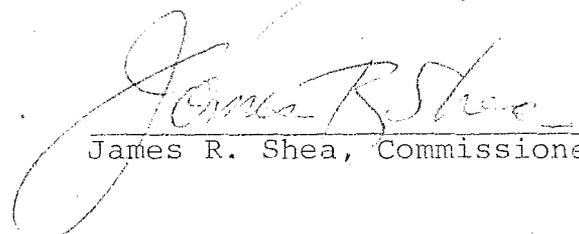
DONE IN OPEN SESSION in Helena, Montana, on June 19, 1978
by a 4 - 0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.


Gordon E. Bollinger, Chairman


P. J. Gilfeather, Commissioner


Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner


James R. Shea, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Madeline L. Cottrill
Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTICE: You are entitled to judicial review of the final decision in this matter. If no Motion for Reconsideration is filed, judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days from the service of this order. If a Motion For Reconsideration is filed, a Commission order is final for purpose of appeal upon the entry of a ruling on that motion, or upon the passage of ten (10) days following the filing of that motion. cf. the Montana Administrative Procedure Act, esp. Sec. 82-4216, RCM 1947; and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38-2.2 (64)-P2750, ARM.