

Service Date: July 31, 1984

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        )     UTILITY DIVISION  
Of The TOWN OF ST. IGNATIUS To        )     DOCKET NO. 84.5.28  
Modify its Rate Structure                )     DEFAULT ORDER NO. 5076

On May 4, 1984 the Town of St. Ignatius (Applicant) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission for an order authorizing the applicant a water rate structure modification which will generate approximately \$10,000 less revenue annually, when compared to the rates presently approved.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application and deeming it self fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A Notice of Opportunity For Public Hearing was published in the June 28, 1984 edition of the Missoulian and the June 28, 1984 edition of the Flathead Courier. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by July 23, 1984 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 3, 1984 the Town Council of the Town of St. Ignatius passed a Resolution setting water rates at the proposed level.
4. The Town alleges that implementation of metered rates, as filed, will generate sufficient revenue to operate the water utility.
5. The Town anticipates that the proposed rates will decrease annual revenues by approximately \$10,000 annually, when compared to the presently approved metered rate.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter.
2. Interested persons were given proper notice and an opportunity to request a public hearing in this matter.
3. The resulting rate levels are reasonable and just.

ORDER

1. The rates as set forth in Appendix "A" attached and by this reference incorporated herein are authorized.

2. The rates approved herein are effective for services rendered on and after July 30, 1984.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION in Helena, Montana on the 30th day of July 1984 by a 5 - 0 vote.

## APPENDIX "A"

Rate: 3/4" meters: \$11.00 minimum rate for the first 10,000 gallons, \$.70/1000 gallons for the next 10,000 gallons, and \$.40/1000 gallons for all additional water used.

Meters over 3/4", the following minimum rates:

For a 1" tap -20,000 gallons for \$22.00

For a 1 1/2" tap -35,000 gallons for \$38.50

For a 2" tap -50,000 gallons for \$55.00

The same \$.70/1000 gallons over the above minimum for the next 10,000 gallons.

The same \$.40/1000 gallons for all additional water.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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TOM SCHNEIDER, Chairman

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JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

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CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner

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HOWARD L. ELLIS, Commissioner

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DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

Madeline L. Cottril  
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE:

Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See ARM 38.2.4806.