

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of KMB Utility Corporation's)
Tariff Sheets Designed to Increase Water) CASE NO. WR-97-100
Rates Pursuant to the Small County Rate)
Procedure.)

In the Matter of KMB Utility Corporation's)
Tariff Sheets Designed to Increase Sewer) CASE NO. SR-97-101
Rates Pursuant to the Small Company Rate)
Procedure.)

NOTICE OF EX PARTE CONTACT

On April 1, 1997, Commissioner Crumpton received a telephone call from Donald Shrader regarding water safety issues. Mr. Shrader is a customer of the KMB Utility Corporation (KMB). The Commission is currently considering a rate increase for KMB in this case and is reviewing service complaints in this case as well. Therefore, by definition, Mr. Shrader's telephone call to a Commissioner is an ex parte contact.¹

The content of Mr. Shrader's call primarily concerned the state of his wife's health and the necessity for his household to boil tap water prior to its consumption. There has been the suggestion that a "boil order" is in effect for a part of KMB's service area but this has not been documented in this case.

¹An ex parte contact is one wherein an individual who is interested in the outcome of a contested case communicates information relating to the case to the decision maker and does so in such a manner that the other parties to the case are deprived of the ability to respond to the information communicated. Ex parte contacts are specifically prohibited by 4 CSR 240-4.020(4).

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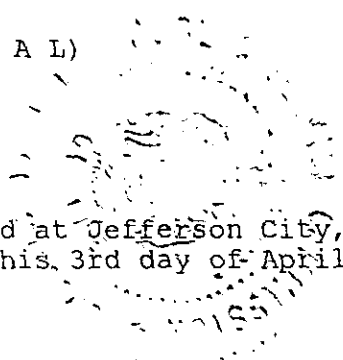
If any party wishes to respond to this ex parte contact it may
do so not later than April 14, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION



Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 3rd day of April, 1997.

ALJ: Roberts

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CASE NO: WR-97-100; WR-97-101**

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