

BB  
Ro  
BH

STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 18th  
day of April, 1995.

In the matter of KMB Utility Corporation's )  
tariff revision designed to increase rates )  
for sewer service at Cape Rock Village ) Case No. SR-95-295  
pursuant to the Commission's informal )  
rate procedure. )

**ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING**

On April 7, 1995, the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) filed a motion requesting a local public hearing in the above-referenced case. OPC's Request for Local Public Hearing states that KMB Utility Corporation (KMB) has filed a letter with the Public Service Commission requesting an increase in water and sewer rates for five (5) of the company's water divisions pursuant to the small company rate procedure found at 4 CSR 240-2.060(8). OPC alleges that it has received several letters from the company's Cape Rock Village ratepayers who are opposed to the rate increase. Pursuant to the rate design recommendation now pending in this case, the customers of KMB, for this service area, would experience rate increases of up to 65.7 percent on the average residential bill.

The Commission finds that no pleading has been filed in opposition to the request of OPC for a local public hearing. The Commission further finds that due to the substantial size of the proposed increase and due to the customer interest shown, a public hearing would be in the public interest. The Commission finds that in order to provide the public with adequate notice of the requested local public hearing, a notice of the time, date and place of the local public hearing shall be given to

every potentially affected customer by either an imprint on the customer's bill or an insert with the customer's bill. If no routine billing is scheduled to take place for these customers at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the local public hearing the company shall, in a separate mailing, provide the potentially affected customers with notice. The notice issued by the company shall set out the time, date and place of the local public hearing along with information regarding the amount of the proposed general rate increase and the approximate percentage of the proposed rate increase. Notice from the company regarding the hearing shall include the following text: "If any person has special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act, please contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services' Hotline -- 1-800-392-4211, or TDD Hotline -- 1-800-829-7541."

The Records Department of the Commission shall send a copy of this order to the mayor of each city and to the county commission of each county potentially affected by the rate increase in this docket. In addition, the Information Office shall send notice of this order to the publisher of each newspaper which serves the affected communities, as listed in the Newspaper Directory of the current Official Manual of the State of Missouri, and to the members of the General Assembly representing the Missouri area served by the company and affected herein. The Commission's Public Information Office shall also provide similar notice as to time, date and location of the local public hearing to any radio and television stations in the area not less than three (3) days prior to the local public hearing.

The hearing scheduled for this docket shall commence at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 27, 1995, and continue until all witnesses are

heard or until 9:00 p.m., whichever occurs first. This hearing will convene in the Heritage Room of the Drury Lodge located at I-55 and William Street in Cape Girardeau, Missouri 63703.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Office of Public Counsel's Request for Local Public Hearing is hereby granted as set out herein.

2. That a hearing is hereby scheduled in the above-referenced case for April 27, 1995, commencing at 7:00 p.m. and continuing until all the witnesses have been heard or until 9:00 p.m., whichever shall first occur.

3. That the local public hearing shall be held at the Drury Lodge, Heritage Room, I-55 and Williams Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri 63703.

4. That any person who has special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act, please contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services' Hotline -- 1-800-392-4211, or TDD Hotline -- 1-800-829-7541.

5. That notice shall be issued by KMB Utility Corporation as set out herein.

6. That the Information Office and the Records Department of the Commission shall issue notice as set out herein.

7. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David L. Rauch".

David L. Rauch  
Executive Secretary

(S E A L)

Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins,  
Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., Concur.