Service Date: August 13, 1980

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

In the Matter of the Application of the Town of Brockton for Authority to Adopt Increased Water Rates.	UTILITY DIVISION DOCKET NO. 80.4.10 DEFAULT ORDER NO. 4683

On April 15, 1980, the Town of Brockton (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 to defray increased costs of operation to maintain, repair, and improve the water utility facilities.

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 Opportunity for public Hearing was published in the May 28, 1980 edition of the Billings Gazette and the May 29, 1980 edition of the Herald News, Wolf Point, Montana. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by June 23, 1980, an appropriate order would be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application. On June 4, 1980 the Brockton Public Schools requested a public hearing in this matter.

2. On July 30, 1980, the Brockton Public School withdrew its request for public hearing.

3. On July 25, 1979, the Town Council of the Town of Brockton passed Resolution No. 42 setting water rates at the proposed level.

4. The City alleges it needs additional revenue to defray increased costs of operation to maintain, repair, and improve the water utility facilities.

5. The City anticipates that the proposed rates will increase annual revenues by approximately $440.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

2. Interested persons were gi[illegible] proper notice and an opportunity to request a public hearing on this matter.

3. The resulting rate levels are reasonable and just.

ORDER

1. The following monthly rates are authorized:

Rate:

Service charge per connection per month-----$ 6.00

Service to School District #55, per month---$60.00 (elementary)
per school building (elementary & high) $60.00 (high school)
$120.00 per month

2. These rates shall be effective for all water services rendered on and after August 11, 1980.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION in Helena, Montana on August 11, 1980 by a 5-0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

GORDON E. BOLLINGER, Chairman

CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner

GEORGE TURMAN, Commissioner

CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner

JAMES R. SHEA, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Madeline L. Cottrill
Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: You may be 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. 2-4-702, MCA, and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38-2.2(64)-P2750, ARM.