

provisions and parts of this sub-title in reference to any corporations subject to its provisions, so far as the same or any of the same may be practically, legally or necessarily applicable to water companies, and heat or refrigerating corporations, and to power companies or corporations, and to their respective service and charges and to their property, plant, franchises and management, are hereby made applicable to such corporations and companies, their service, charges, property, plant, franchises and management, and shall have full application thereto.

A public service corporation may not be required to extend its branch into territory that it has not attempted to serve when public revenues therefrom are not sufficient to pay interest on the cost of extension and the maintenance of service, and where company has not the money to pay for the extension and is unable to sell its bonds for that purpose. Order of commission held unreasonable. Public Serv. Com. v. Brooklyn, etc., Water Co., 122 Md. 619.

See notes to sec. 346.

1922, ch. 181.

403. Whenever the Commission shall be requested in writing by any county or municipal corporation of this State to fix or alter the rates that shall be charged for water supplied to persons or corporations within its county or municipal boundaries by any other county or municipal corporation, the Commission shall have as full jurisdiction and power to pass an order fixing or altering such rates as if the county or municipal corporation supplying such water outside its county or municipal boundaries were a "Water Company," as defined by this sub-title. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to give said Commission jurisdiction to order or compel extension of water service by such county or municipal corporation supplying water outside its county or municipal boundaries. And this section shall not apply to Allegany County.

An. Code, sec. 457. 1910, ch. 180, sec. 43 (p. 388).

404. Any corporation subject to this sub-title, or any of the provisions of this sub-title, and any person in interest being dissatisfied with any order of the commission, fixing any rate or rates, tolls, charges, schedules, joint rate or rates, or any order fixing any regulations, practices, acts or service, may commence any action in the circuit court for any county, or before any judge of the supreme bench of Baltimore city, in any court of Baltimore city of appropriate jurisdiction which may be adopted for the purpose, against the commission as defendant to vacate and set aside any such order on the ground that the rate or rates, tolls, charges, schedules, joint rate or rates, fixed in such order is unlawful, or that any such regulation, practice, act or service fixed in such order is unreasonable, in which action a copy of the complaint shall be served with the summons.

The answer of the commission to the complaint shall be served and filed within twenty days after service of the complaint, whereupon said action shall be at issue and stand ready for trial upon fifteen days' notice to either party.

All such actions shall have precedence over any civil cause of a different nature pending in such court, and the said courts shall always be deemed open for the trial thereof, and the same shall be tried and determined as other civil actions.