facture, which may be selected by the person making the test, by an open burner consuming five cubic feet of gas per hour, and shall, as regards purity, comply with the standard now or hereafter established by law or ordinance. The gas shall not contain more than twenty grains of sulphur in any form in one hundred cubic feet of gas.

1908, ch. 484, sec. 97DD (p. 1020).

**221.** If the illuminating gas supplied by any person or persons, corporation or gas company, for public use in the town of Easton, for which a charge shall be made, shall be at any time of less illuminating power or of less purity than according to the standard established by section 220 of this subtitle, it shall be so reported to the Mayor and Council of Easton by the person or inspector selected to make the test, or tests, and the person or persons, corporation or gas company, supplying the same shall be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars and costs for each and every day that such violation shall continue; provided, however, that if it shall appear that such deviation from the above named standard could not have been prevented by ordinary care and prudence, but was occasioned by some unavoidable cause (assuming that the plant is maintained in proper condition) then the said penalty shall not be enforced while such unavoidable cause shall continue; provided, however, if the offense becomes practically continuous the same shall be sufficient cause and authority for the Mayor and Council, in their discretion, by ordinance, to annul the franchise of the offending person or persons, corporation or gas company.

## 1914, ch. 263, sec. 97EE.

On or before April 15th, 1914, the Mayor shall by and with the advice and consent of the Council appoint three residents of the town of Easton to be known as The Easton Utilities Commission, to operate, manage and maintain the municipal sewerage system and water works and all or any other revenue producing utilities which are now owned or may be hereafter constructed or acquired by the town, to serve for one, three and five years respectively, accounting from the first day of April, 1914. They shall draw lots for the different terms, the highest number to take the longest term and so on down to the lowest. Their successors shall be appointed one every two years, during the month of March, beginning with the year 1915, and whose term of office shall commence April 1st, following, to serve for six years; but if a vacancy shall occur at any time by reason of death, resignation, removal from office or otherwise, the vacancy shall be filled by the Mayor and Council in the same way as provided for original appointment, by the appointment of a suitable person to serve for the remainder of the term of the Commissioner by whose death, resignation or removal from office the vacancy was created. The Commission so appointed shall have full charge of the operation, management and maintenance of all revenue producing utilities of the town of Easton, as aforesaid, including the power to make contracts in the name of the Mayor and Council of Easton, to suc in the name of the Mayor and Council of Easton for the collection of any and all indebtedness