

days from date of sending, the Commission shall, after written notice left upon the premises or mailed to the last known address of the owner, turn off water from the property in question, and the water shall not be turned on again until said bill shall have been paid, including a penalty of two dollars. If any bill shall remain unpaid for sixty days after being sent by the Commission, it shall be collectible from the owner of the property served in the same manner as other debts are collectible in the county and said ready-to-serve charge shall be a first lien against said property.

438. The said Commission shall have full power and authority to enter into any contract for the connection of its water supply, sewerage and drainage systems, with those of any other municipalities or adjoining counties, or any subdivision thereof for the purchase of water from them and for the disposal of sewerage and drainage from any sanitary district, and to enter into any other agreement concerning any other matter deemed by the Commission to be necessary, advisable or expedient for the proper construction, maintenance and operation of the water supply, sewerage or drainage systems under its control, or those under the control of other municipalities, counties or subdivisions.

439. Whenever said Commission shall have extended its water supply or sewerage system up to and is ready to connect with any municipally owned or privately owned water supply or sewerage system, whether within or outside of Anne Arundel County, and it deems it advisable and proper for the adequate operation of the system under its jurisdiction to take over the said water or sewerage system, it may purchase the same upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, but before any part of the purchase price is paid, other than a nominal sum of money to bind the agreement, it shall be the duty of the vendor or agent to furnish a statement to said Commission setting forth all names and addresses of persons having any interest or claims against said property whatsoever, which shall be verified by an oath in writing. Thereupon it shall be the duty of said Commission to notify personally or by registered mail, return receipt requested, all persons having any interest whatsoever in said property, and in addition thereto the Commission shall give three weeks' notice of its intention to purchase said property in a newspaper or newspapers published within said county where the property is located,