

(b)[, above] OF THIS SECTION, the [commission] WSSC shall:

(1) [give notice] PUBLISH SEPARATE NOTICES of the proposed modification in at least [one] 1 newspaper [printed and] published in [Montgomery County and one newspaper printed and published in Prince George's County] EACH COUNTY; and

(2) [shall thereafter conduct] HOLD a public hearing on the necessity or advisability of [such] A modification of the rule, regulation, rate, or charge.

[6-4.] 6-104. Service rates generally.

(a) (1) [For the purpose of providing] TO PROVIDE funds for maintaining, repairing, and operating its water supply, sewers, and drainage systems, including the [over-head] OVERHEAD expense and proper depreciation allowance, together with funds for making [such payments as may be made] ANY PAYMENT to [the commissioners of] the District of Columbia, as [hereinafter] specified IN THIS TITLE, the [commission shall be empowered and directed to] WSSC SHALL make [such] ANY service [rates as] RATE THAT [it may deem] THE WSSC CONSIDERS necessary[.,].

(2) THE RATE:

(I) SHALL BE chargeable against all properties for a connection with any pipe under [its] THE WSSC'S ownership;

(II) [the rates shall] SHALL be uniform throughout the sanitary district[.,]; AND

(III) [but shall] MAY be changed [from time to time,] as necessary[, except (1) that the charge for water service used in Gaithersburg and Washington Grove until such time as they are brought within the general system shall be based upon actual cost of supplying water to the communities; and (2)].

COMMITTEE NOTE: Since Gaithersburg and Washington Grove have been included in the WSSC's system, the first exception of the first sentence of former Article 67, § 6-4(a), which mentioned Gaithersburg and Washington Grove, is deleted as obsolete.

(3) (I) [whenever] IF the [commission shall furnish] WSSC FURNISHES water to ANY federal, state, or other [agencies which are] AGENCY THAT IS exempt from [front foot] benefit charges [and/]or ad valorem taxes imposed under [the provisions of chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1918, and amendments thereto,] THIS ARTICLE, the [commission] WSSC shall make