

devices and property of every kind owned by any public service company and used or to be used for or in connection with or in furtherance of a public utility service.

[(n)](M) "Proceedings" includes actions, complaints, hearings, investigations, trials, appeals, orders and similar proceedings pending before or made or conducted by an official body.

[(o)](N) "Public service company" means a common carrier company, gas company, electric company, steam heating company, telephone company, telegraph company, water company, sewage disposal company, and/or any combination thereof. Two public service companies shall be considered of the same class, where they are both common carrier companies or both gas companies, electric companies, gas and electric companies, steam heating companies, telephone companies, telegraph companies, water companies, or sewage disposal companies.

[(p)](O) "Railroad" includes every common carrier by rail, however powered, with all branches, bridges, cars, extensions, ferries, plant, spurs, stations, subways, switches, terminal facilities, tracks, tunnels, and equipment used thereon or in connection therewith.

[(q)](P) "Rates" includes tolls, fares, tariffs, fees, prices and any other charges for public utility services, whether individual or joint, of a public service company; and any schedule, regulation, classification or practice of any public service company affecting the amount of such charges or the nature and value of the services rendered therefor.

[(r)](Q) "Records" includes accounts, books, charts, contracts, documents, files, maps, papers, profiles, reports (annual and otherwise), schedules and any other records.

[(s)](R) "Sewage disposal company" includes any privately-owned public service company which owns or maintains pipes or other fixtures and facilities for the disposal or disposition of household, animal and human waste, refuse and slops.

[(t)](S) "Steam heating company" includes any public service company manufacturing, selling or distributing steam for use, sale or distribution.

[(u)](T) "Street" includes street, highway, avenue, road, bridge, and any other accommodation for public passage on land.

[(v)](U) "Street railroad" includes any railroad which is not part of a trunk line railway system, and whose routes are mainly within the corporate limits of Baltimore City, or any other city or town with a population of not less than two thousand people.

[(w)](V) "Taxicab" means any motor vehicle for hire (other than a vehicle operated, with the approval of the Commission, on regular schedules and between fixed termini, as these terms are defined in Title 11 of the Transportation Article) that is designed to carry seven or fewer individuals, including the driver, and is used to accept or solicit members of the public for transportation for hire between those points along the public streets as the passengers request.

[(x)](W) "Telegraph company" includes any public service company which owns telephone lines for the reception, transmission or communication of messages by telegraph, or which lets, licenses, or sells telegraphic communication.