

certain persons the opportunity to participate in certain processes; and generally relating to water and sewer permit fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment

Section 9-204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Environment

9-204.

(a) This section applies to any water supply system, sewerage system, refuse disposal system that is for public use, or any refuse disposal system that is a solid waste acceptance facility as defined in § 9-501(n) of this title if the solid waste acceptance facility is installed, altered, or extended after July 1, 1988.

(b) (1) The Secretary may adopt reasonable and proper regulations for submission of plans. THESE REGULATIONS MAY INCLUDE THE COLLECTION OF A FEE AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION FOR:

(+) (I) A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION FOR A PRIVATELY OWNED WATER SUPPLY OR ~~SEWORAGE~~ SEWERAGE SYSTEM; OR

(-) (II) A PERMIT APPLIED FOR BY A LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT FOR A PRIVATELY FINANCED WATER SUPPLY OR SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

(2) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROVIDE THE REGULATED COMMUNITY AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RATE SETTING AND REGULATORY PROCESSES.

(c) (1) Before a person draws plans or submits an application under this section for a proposed water supply system, sewerage system, or refuse disposal system, the person may submit to the Secretary a preliminary statement on the proposed system.

(2) At the request of the person, the Secretary shall outline the general requirements that must be met before the Secretary would approve the proposed system.

(d) A person shall have a permit issued by the Secretary under this section before the person installs, materially alters, or materially extends a water supply system, sewerage system, or refuse disposal system.

(e) An applicant for a permit shall:

(1) Submit to the Secretary an application that contains: