

File No. 24077 Continued.

In the event that the City desires to contest its raise in rates the Water Company should be advised that the mere filing of a schedule showing the increase is not the "petition" contemplated in its agreement with the City and should be further notified that a formal hearing is desired. It is advisable to do this before the first of the year.

Very truly yours,
 (Signed) Edward P. Johnson,
 General Assistant.

File No. 24027

Baltimore, December 29, 1919.

Hon. William F. Broening
 Mayor of Baltimore.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

On December 13th, you forwarded to me a communication from the Roland Park Water Company, together with a communication from Mr. Megraw, Water Engineer, bearing upon the increase of the water rates by the Roland Park Water Company, and requesting me to give the matter consideration.

The contract between the City and the Roland Park Water Company, for the installation and maintenance of hydrants in Roland Park, was entered into on the 8th day of July, 1919, and provides, among other things,-

"It is further mutually agreed by the respective parties hereto, that the rental reserved in this agreement shall not be changed or revised without the consent of the Public Service Commission of Maryland upon petition and hearing by the Roland Park

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