

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES
COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND
AUDITS
Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

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AL # 811	Date Mailed to Service List: November 17, 2009	Requested Effective Date: January 1, 2010	Requested Tier: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3
Replacing AL#:	Authorized by: D.08-03-022	Compliance Filing? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Rate \$ \$267,300 Impact % 1.39%

The public has 20 days from Date Mailed (above) to protest this advice letter. If you chose to protest or respond to the advice letter, send Protest and/or Correspondence within 20 days to:

Director
Division of Water and Audits
505 Van Ness Ave.
San Francisco, CA 94102

and if you have email capability, also email to: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

Your protest also must be served on the Utility (see attached advice letter for more information and grounds for protest)

Company Name: CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER COMPANY	CPUC Utility Number: WTA: <u>U-210W</u> WTB _____ WTC _____ WTD _____ SWR _____
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City, State, Zip: CORONADO, CA 92118	

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Description:
In this space or on the back of this form:

1. Explain justification for requested Tier – STEP Rate Increases per D. 08-03-022
2. Describe service affected and how it is affected – Increase to rates for all services in Coronado Dist.
3. Describe differences from related Advice Letters (Similar service, replacement filing)

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WTS Budget/Activity/Type / /	Process as: <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3
Project Manager:	20th Day [] 30th Day []
Analyst:	Suspended on:
Due Date:	Extended on:
Completion Date:	Resolution No.:
	AL/Tariff Effective Date:



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November 17, 2009

ADVICE LETTER NO. 811

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California-American Water Company ("California American Water") (U210W) hereby submits for filing the following tariff sheets for the Coronado District which are attached hereto:

<u>C.P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling Sheet No.</u>
5533-W	Schedule No. CO-1 Coronado District Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE	5338-W
5534-W	Schedule No. CO-1-LIRA Coronado District Tariff Area LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	5339-W
5535-W	Schedule No. CO-4 Coronado District Tariff Area PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE	5340-W
5536-W	Schedule No. CO-4H Coronado District Tariff Area PRIVATE FIRE HYDRANT SERVICE	5341-W
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Purpose:

This advice letter filing is being made to implement step rate changes authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in Decision No. 08-03-022 for California American Water's Coronado District.

Background:

Submission of these tariffs is made per Ordering Paragraph 1 of Decision No. 08-03-022 which states:

The Motion of California American Water Company and the Division of Ratepayer Advocates for adoption of the settlement agreements as to certain issues on the revenue requirements for Coronado and Village districts filed on July 6, 2007, and attached as Attachment A, is granted.

And the Rate Case Plan adopted as Appendix A of D. 07-05-062;

The most recent memorandum entitled, "Estimates of Non-labor and Wage Escalation Rates" as described in D. 04-06-018 shall be used for Escalation Years 1 and 2 rate increase requests and shall be sought by Tier 1 advice letter no later than 45 days prior to the first day of the escalation year. The advice letter filing shall include all calculations and documentation necessary to support the requested rate change. The requested rate increase shall be subject to the pro forma earnings test, as specified in D.04-06-018. Revenue requirement amounts otherwise subject to rate recovery, e.g., through balancing or memorandum accounts, shall not be subject to escalation.

As shown in the supporting earnings test and workpapers for the twelve months ended September 30, 2009, the district earned a rate of return of 6.62% on a recorded basis and 7.95% on a "proforma" basis. The most recent authorized rate of return in Advice Letter 789 was 8.04% for 2009.

In accordance with the Commission staff's procedures for filing step increase, attrition and offset advice letters, since the pro forma rate of return is below the authorized rate of return of the same time period, the district is not over earning and is, therefore, entitled to the full step rate increase. California American Water, therefore, respectfully requests a step rate increase in the amount of \$267,300 or 1.39%. Consistent with Decision 08-05-018, California American Water requests that these step rates be granted effective on January 1, 2010.

In accordance with Section 4.3 of General Order 96-B, a copy of this advice letter is being furnished to those entities listed in Exhibit A.

The actions requested in this advice letter are not now the subject of any formal filings with the California Public Utilities Commission, including a formal complaint, nor action in any court of law.

This filing will not cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

Tier Designation:

This advice letter is submitted with a Tier 1 designation.

Effective Date:

California American Water requests that the tariffs discussed above, be made effective January 1, 2010.

PROTESTS AND RESPONSES:

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the advice letter. A protest objects to the advice letter in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds are:

- (1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter;
- (2) The relief requested in the advice letter would violate statute or Commission order, or is not authorized by statute or Commission order on which the utility relies;
- (3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the advice letter contain material error or omissions;
- (4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- (5) The relief requested in the advice letter requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the advice letter process; or
- (6) The relief requested in the advice letter is unjust, unreasonable, or discriminatory (provided that such a protest may not be made where it would require relitigating a prior order of the Commission.)

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

A response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Water Division within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The address for mailing or delivering a protest is:

Tariff Unit, Water Division, 3rd floor
California Public Utilities Commission,
505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

On the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy by mail (or e-mail) to us, addressed to:

Recipients:	E-Mail:	Mailing Address:
David P. Stephenson <i>Director – Rates & Regulation</i>	dstephen@amwater.com	4701 Beloit Drive Sacramento, CA 95838 Fax: (916) 568-4260
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Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Water Division, within the 20 day protest period, so that a late filed protest can be entertained. The informing document should include an estimate of the date the proposed protest might be voted on.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, contact this person at (916) 568-4222.

CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER


David P. Stephenson
Director - Rates & Regulation

Schedule No. CO-1

Coronado District Tariff Area

GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water furnished on a metered basis.

TERRITORY

Coronado, Imperial Beach, and portions of San Diego, and vicinity San Diego County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

Residential Customers:

For the first 12 ccf.....	\$2.8339	(I)
For the next 12 ccf.....	\$3.2590	
For all water delivered over 24 ccf.....	\$3.5424	

Commercial Customers:

For all water delivered, per 100 cu. ft.....	\$2.7828	
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Public Authority Customers:

For all water delivered, per 100 cu. ft.....	\$2.7348	
For all water delivered, per 1000 gallons.....	\$3.6559	(I)

Service Charge:

	<u>Per Meter Per Month</u>	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$4.42	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter.....	4.42	
For 1-inch meter.....	11.03	
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	22.06	
For 2-inch meter.....	35.29	
For 3-inch meter.....	66.18	
For 4-inch meter.....	110.32	
For 6-inch meter.....	220.65	
For 8-inch meter.....	353.03	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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DECISION NO. _____

D.08-03-022

Director – Rates & Regulation

TITLE

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Schedule No. CO-1-LIRA
 Coronado District Tariff Area
LOW-INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water furnished on a metered basis.

TERRITORY

Coronado, Imperial Beach, and portions of San Diego, and vicinity San Diego County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

Residential Customers:		
For the first 12 ccf.....	\$2.8339	(I)
For the next 12 ccf.....	\$3.2590	
For all water delivered over 24 ccf	\$3.5424	
Commercial Customers:		
For all water delivered, per 100 cu. ft.	\$2.7828	
Public Authority Customers:		
For all water delivered, per 100 cu. ft.	\$2.7348	
For all water delivered, per 1000 gallons.	\$3.6559	(I)

Service Charge:

	<u>Per Meter Per Month</u>	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$4.42	(I)
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For 6-inch meter.....	220.65	
For 8-inch meter.....	353.03	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

	<u>Surcredit Per Month</u>
Low-Income Discount.....	\$5.50

The low-income discount is a fixed monthly surcredit applicable to qualifying low-income residential customers.

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Schedule No. CO-4

Coronado District Tariff Area

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water service furnished for privately owned fire protection systems.

TERRITORY

Coronado, Imperial Beach, and portions of San Diego, and vicinity, San Diego County, all as set forth on Service Area maps on file with the California Public Utilities Commission.

RATES

Per Month

Private Fire Protection Systems:

For each 4-inch connection or smaller.....	\$19.51	(l)
For each 6-inch connection.....	40.84	
For each 8-inch connection.....	60.42	
For each 10-inch connection.....	89.87	
For each 12-inch connection.....	130.91	(l)

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TITLE

Schedule No. CO-4H
Coronado District Tariff Area
PRIVATE FIRE HYDRANT SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water service furnished for fire hydrant service.

TERRITORY

Coronado, Imperial Beach, and portions of San Diego, and vicinity, San Diego County, all as set forth on Service Area maps on file with the California Public Utilities Commission.

RATES

Per Month

Private Fire Hydrant Service Installed at Cost of Applicant:		
For each Fire Hydrant Installed	\$11.49	(l)

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CORONADO DISTRICT
SERVICE LIST
EXHIBIT A

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CORONADO DISTRICT
SERVICE LIST
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