

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

(Date Filed / Received Stamp by CPUC)

<b>AL #</b> 812	<b>Date Mailed to Service List:</b> November 17, 2009	<b>Requested Effective Date:</b> January 1, 2010	<b>Requested Tier:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3
<b>Replacing AL#:</b>	<b>Authorized by:</b> D.08-05-018	<b>Compliance Filing?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>Rate</b> \$ 832,200 <b>Impact</b> % 2.32%

**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](mailto: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:**

**Address:** 1033 B. AVENUE, SUITE 200

WTA:   U-210W  

WTB           

WTC           

**City, State, Zip:** CORONADO, CA 92118

WTD           

SWR           

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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. 08-05-018
2. Describe service affected and how it is affected – Increase to rates for all services in Sacramento Dist.
3. Describe differences from related Advice Letters (Similar service, replacement filing)

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



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November 17, 2009

ADVICE LETTER NO. 812

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 Sacramento District which are attached hereto:

<u>C.P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling Sheet No.</u>
5539-W	Schedule No. SAC-1 Sacramento Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE	5325-W
5540-W	Schedule No. SAC-1-LIRA Sacramento Tariff Area LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	5326-W
5541-W	Schedule No. SAC-2R Sacramento Tariff Area RESIDENTIAL FLAT RATE SERVICE	5327-W
5542-W	Schedule No. SAC-2R-LIRA Sacramento Tariff Area LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSITANCE PROGRAM	5328-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. 08-05-018 for California American Water's Sacramento District.

**Background:**

Submission of these tariffs is made in compliance with Ordering Paragraph 1 of Decision No. 08-05-018 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 Larkfield and Sacramento districts filed on July 6, 2007, and attached as Attachment A, is granted."*

And Section 3.1 of Attachment A of D. 08-05-018:

*"The revenue requirement for 2009 and 2010 will be escalated according to the standards set forth in the Commission's Rate Case Plan with the additional revenues shown above related to advice letter projects."*

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 4.59% on a recorded basis and 5.88% on a "proforma" basis. The most recent authorized rate of return per Advice Letter 787 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 \$832,200 or 2.32 %. Consistent with Decision 08-05-018, Cal-Am 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
California Public Utilities Commission,  
505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

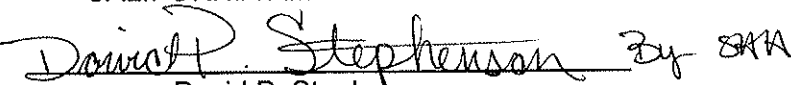
[water\\_division@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:water_division@cpuc.ca.gov)

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:

<b>Recipients:</b>	<b>E-Mail:</b>	<b>Mailing Address:</b>
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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. SAC-1-LIRA

Sacramento Tariff Area

LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated communities, subdivisions, and adjacent areas generally known as Cordova, Rosemont, Parkway Estates, Lindale, Foothill Farms, Arlington Heights, Linwood, Loretto Heights, Arden Highlands, Arden Estates and Sunrise Security Park. A part of the City of Citrus Heights and the communities of Antelope and Sabre City in Sacramento and Placer counties. The city of Isleton and vicinity and the unincorporated community of Walnut Grove in Sacramento County. The lower southwestern portion of Placer County including the areas known as Morgan Creek, Doyle Ranch, Sun Valley Oaks and Riolo Greens.

RATES

Per Meter  
Per Month

Quantity Rates:

For all water delivered per 100 cu. ft.	\$ 1.4596	(I)
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Service Charge:

For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$ 10.42	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter	15.61	
For 1-inch meter	26.02	
For 1 1/2-inch meter	52.06	
For 2-inch meter	83.29	
For 3-inch meter	156.17	
For 4-inch meter	260.29	
For 6-inch meter	520.57	
For 8-inch meter	832.91	
For 10-inch meter	1,197.32	
For 12-inch meter	1,717.90	(I)

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

Surcredit  
Per Month

Low Income Discount .....	\$5.00
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The low income discount is a fixed monthly surcredit applicable to qualifying low income residential customers.

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DIRECTOR - RATES & REVENUES

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE

Schedule No. SAC – 2R

Sacramento Tariff Area

RESIDENTIAL FLAT RATE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all residential water service on a flat rate basis

TERRITORY

The unincorporated communities, subdivisions, and adjacent areas generally known as Cordova, Rosemont, Parkway Estates, Lindale, Foothill Farms, Arlington Heights, Linwood, Loretto Heights, Arden Highlands and Arden Estates. A part of the city of Citrus Heights and the communities of Antelope and Sabre City in Sacramento and Placer Counties. The unincorporated communities of Walnut Grove in Sacramento County.

RATES

Per Meter  
Per Month

For a single-family residence including premises,  
having the following areas:

4,500 sq. ft. or less.....	\$28.33	(l)
4,501 to 8,000 sq. ft.....	38.30	

For each additional residence on the same premises and served From the same service connection.....	25.43	(l)
For each 1,000 sq. ft. or part of the area in excess of 8,000 sq. ft.....	1.07	

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

- The above residential flat rate charges apply to service connections not larger than ¾ inch in diameter.

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Schedule No. SAC-2R-LIRA

Sacramento Tariff Area

FLAT RATE LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all residential water service on a flat rate basis.

TERRITORY

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RATES

	<u>Per Meter Per Month</u>	
For a single-family residence including premises, having the following areas:		
4,500 sq. ft. or less.....	\$28.33	(l)
4,501 to 8,000 sq. ft.....	38.30	
For each additional residence on the same premises and served From the same service connection.....	25.43	(l)
For each 1,000 sq. ft. or part of the area in excess of 8,000 sq. ft.....	1.07	
	<u>Surcredit Per Month</u>	
Low Income Discount .....	\$5.00	

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

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Schedule No. SAC-4

Sacramento Tariff Area

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water service rendered for private fire protection purposes.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated communities, subdivisions, and adjacent areas generally known as Cordova, Rosemont, Parkway Estates, Lindale, Foothill Farms, Arlington Heights, Linwood, Loretto Heights, Arden Highlands, Arden Estates, and Sunrise Security Park. A part of the City of Citrus Heights and the communities of Antelope and Sabre City in Sacramento and Placer Counties. The City of Isleton and vicinity and the unincorporated community of Walnut Grove in Sacramento County. The lower Southwestern portion of Placer County including the areas known as Morgan Creek, Doyle Ranch, Sun Valley Oaks and Riolo Greens.

RATES

	<u>Per Meter</u>	
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For each 4-inch connection, or smaller.....	\$ 44.61	(1)
For each 6-inch connection.....	74.31	
For each 8-inch connection.....	105.19	
For each 10-inch connection.....	129.96	
For each 12-inch connection.....	186.32	(1)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The customer will pay without refund the entire cost of installing the service connection.
2. The maximum diameter of the service connection will not be more than the diameter of the main to which the service is connected.
3. The customer's installation must be such as to effectively separate the fire sprinkler system from that of the customer's regular water service. As a part of the sprinkler service installation there shall be a detector check with by-pass meter or other similar device acceptable to the company which will indicate the use of water. The utility may require a bi-annual test of the detector check installation at customer cost as a condition of furnishing service. Any unauthorized use will be charged for at the regular established rate for general metered service, and/or may be grounds for the company's discontinuing the fire sprinkler service without liability to the company.

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Sacramento District Tariff Area

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Applicable to all Districts

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SACRAMENTO DISTRICT  
SERVICE LIST  
EXHIBIT A

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SACRAMENTO DISTRICT  
SERVICE LIST  
EXHIBIT A

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