CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

The protest or response deadline for this advice letter is 20 days from the date that this advice letter was mailed to the service list. Please

Date Mailed to Service List: July 21, 2017

Protest Deadline (20th Day): July 31, 2017

Review Deadline (30th Day): August 11, 2017

Requested Effective Date: January 13, 2017

Rate Impact: \$See AL

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Utility Name: California American Water

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CPUC Utility #: U210W

Advice Letter #: 1171

Authorization

District: Los Angeles County District

Description: 2017 Step rate filing correction

see the "Response or Protest" section in the advice letter for more information.

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July 21, 2017

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1171

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California-American Water Company (California American Water) (U210W) submits for review this advice letter including the following attached tariff sheets applicable to its Los Angeles County District:

| C.P.U.C. Sheet No. | Title of Sheet | Canceling Sheet No. |
|-----------------------|--|------------------------|
| XXXX-W | Schedule No. LA-3M Los Angeles County District Tariff Area MEASURED IRRIGATION SERVICE | 8348-W |
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Purpose:

This advice letter filing seeks to reduce the surcharge in the Los Angeles irrigation tariff sheet previously approved in Advice Letter 1141-A, which became effective January 13, 2017. The reduction addresses an inadvertent miscalculation in the volumetric rate for irrigation customers.

Background:

On November 22, 2016, California American Water filed Advice Letter 1141 requesting the company's 2017 step rates for the Los Angeles County District. After review by the Division of Water and Audits (DWA), California American Water updated workpapers based on DWA's recommendation. California American Water then filed supplemental Advice Letter 1141-A on January 9, 2017. After further review, DWA approved Advice Letter 1141-A on February 16, 2017.

Subsequently, California American Water determined the irrigation surcharge included a conversion error. California American Water inflated the rate at the time of the filing by the step increase percentage and converted to hundred gallons from cubic feet to put that onto its tariff. While the methodology of inflation is accepted by DWA, the miscalculation was caused by the inadvertent inputting of the hundred gallon rate authorized at the time filing, rather than the rate in cubic feet. The input needs to be adjusted and the surcharge reduced to reflect the adjustment.

California American Water will refund to customers over-collection caused by this miscalculation.

Request:

California American Water requests correction of the tariff sheet previously approved in Advice Letter 1144-A, which became effective January 13, 2017.

Tier Designation:

These tariffs are submitted pursuant to General Order No.96-B and this advice letter is designated as a Tier 1 filing.

Effective Date:

Pursuant to D.15-04-007, California American Water requests an effective date of January 13, 2017.

RESPONSE OR PROTEST¹

Anyone may submit a response or protest for this AL. When submitting a response or protest, please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.

A **response** supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the AL. A **protest** objects to the AL in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds² are:

- 1. The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the AL;
- 2. The relief requested in the AL 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 AL contain material error or omissions;
- 4. The relief requested in the AL is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- 5. The relief requested in the AL requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the AL process; or
- 6. The relief requested in the AL 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.
- 7. A protest may not rely on policy objections to an AL where the relief requested in the AL follows rules or directions established by statute or Commission order applicable to the utility. A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

DWA must receive a response or protest via email (<u>or</u> postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. When submitting a response or protest, <u>please include the utility name and</u> advice letter number in the subject line.

¹ G.O. 96-B. General Rule 7.4.1

² G.O. 96-B. General Rule 7.4.2

The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

Email Address: Mailing Address:

Water. Division@cpuc.ca.gov CA Public Utilities Commission

Division of Water and Audits 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

On the same day the response or protest is submitted to DWA, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to California American Water at:

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Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform DWA, 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.

REPLIES³

The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Any reply must be received by DWA within five business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day on each person who filed the protest or response to the AL.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

/s/ Jeffrey T. Linam

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³ G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

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Revised C.P.U.C SHEET NO. XXXX-W

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C.P.U.C SHEET NO. 8348-W

(TO BE INSEPTED BY C D II C)

Schedule No. LA-3M Los Angeles County District Tariff Area MEASURED IRRIGATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all measured service for irrigation purposes as defined in the special conditions below. Applicable only to premises serviced under Schedule No. LA-3M on a continued basis on and after January 1, 1969.

TERRITORY

Bradbury, Duarte, portions of Irwindale, Monrovia, and vicinity, Los Angeles County.

RATES

Quantity Rates: Base Rate

Per 100 Gal (CGL)

A. Pressure service all water, per CGL. \$0.2349 (R)

B. Gravity service all water, per CGL. \$0.2076 (R)

Service Charge: General Metered

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Per Meter Per Month For 1-inch meter \$5.96 (I) For 1-1/2-inch meter \$11.94 For 2-inch meter \$19.08 \$35.77 For 3-inch meter For 4-inch meter \$59.54 (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 charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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