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May 17, 2019

Jeffrey T. Linam Vice President of Rates & Regulatory California-American Water Company 4701 Beloit Drive Sacramento, CA 95838-2434

Dear Mr. Linam,

The Commission has approved California-American Water Company's Advice Letter No. 1233, filed on March 27, 2019, regarding the 2019 Step Rate Filing for the San Diego District.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets for the utility's files:

Please contact Bradley Leong at 415-703-2307, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

### /s/ROBIN BRYANT

Robin Bryant Water & Sewer Advisory Branch Water Division

**Enclosures** 

# 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

 $\square$  Compliance

Date Mailed to Service List: March 27, 2019

Protest Deadline (20th Day): April 16, 2019

Review Deadline (30th Day): April 26, 2019

**Utility Contact:** Jonathan Morse

Requested Effective Date: May 11, 2019

Rate Impact: \$See AL

See AL%

**Utility Name:** California American Water

**District:** San Diego District

**Tier** ⊠1 □2 □3

**Description:** 2019 Step Rate Filing – San Diego

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

CPUC Utility #: U210W

Authorization D.18-12-021

**Utility Contact:** Kamilah Jones

Advice Letter #: 1233

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March 27, 2019

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1233

#### TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California-American Water Company (California American Water) (U210W) hereby submits for review this advice letter including the following tariff sheets applicable to its San Diego County District which are attached hereto:

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Sheet No.	<u>Title of Sheet</u> Schedule No. SD-1	Sheet No.
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#### Purpose:

The purpose of this advice letter filing is to request approval of the 2019 step rates for San Diego District in accordance with Decision (D.) 18-12-021. Advice Letter 1230 requested 2018 test year rates be made effective but not be implemented. This advice letter requests implemented rates for attrition year 2019 be made effective and implemented. Per D.18-12-021 authorized Test Year 2018 rates are included and subsumed by California American Water's

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#### **Background:**

Submission of these tariffs is made in compliance with Ordering Paragraphs 42 and 43 of Decision (D.)18-12-021 dated December 13, 2018 which states:

- 42. California-American Water Company (Cal-Am) is directed to file escalation filings for attrition years 2019 and 2020 through appropriate Tier 1 advice letter filings in conformance with General Order 96-B and the advice letter procedures found in Section VII of Appendix A attached to Decision (D.) 07-05-062 for every district where there is a projected decrease in rates. Cal-Am may also file escalation filings for 2019 and 2020 pursuant to these procedures for every district where there is a projected increase in rates. D.07-05-062 requires escalation filings to be filed no later than 45 days prior to the start of the escalation year. In light of the effective date of this decision, any escalation filing for attrition year 2019 shall instead be filed within 90 days from the effective date of this decision and shall be effective 45 days from the date of filing.
- 43. California-American Water Company is authorized to revise tariff schedules, and to concurrently cancel its present schedules for such service upon the effective date of its 2019 escalation filing. The revision of tariff schedules for authorized rates in 2018 shall be included and subsumed in California-American Water Company's escalation filing for attrition year 2019. The advice letter shall include all calculations and documentation necessary to support the requested rate changes for both authorized 2018 rates and their escalation for 2019.

2018 test year rates, included Advice Letter 1230 for all districts, are included and subsumed by escalation rates for attrition year 2019 herein.

### Request:

This advice letter filing is to request implementation of the San Diego 2019 step increase. As shown in the supporting earnings test and workpapers for the twelve months ended September 30, 2018, the district earned a rate of return of 9.0% on a recorded basis and 7.74% on a "pro forma" basis. The most recent authorized rate of return per D.18-03-035 was 7.61% adjusted to 7.81% to match the designated pro forma period.

In compliance with Decision D.18-12-021 California American Water requests, approval of all submitted tariff revisions. Tariff revisions reflecting rate changes reflected in AL 1230 are included and subsumed by this escalation filing. Tariff revisions reflecting non-rate related changes are included in AL 1230.

#### **Tier Designation:**

This advice letter is submitted pursuant to General Order No. 96-B and D.18-12-021 and is designated as a Tier 1 filing.

#### **Effective Date:**

California American requests an effective date of May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

#### **RESPONSE OR PROTEST<sup>1</sup>**

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 grounds<sup>2</sup> 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.

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.

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 Cal-Am at:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> G.O. 96-B. General Rule 7.4.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

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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.

#### **REPLIES**<sup>3</sup>

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.

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.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, please contact Kamilah Jones at (916) 568-4232.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

/s/ Jeffrey T. Linam

Jeffrey T. Linam Vice President of Rates & Regulatory

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

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#### Schedule No. SD-1 San Diego County District Tariff Area **General Metered Service**

Sheet 1

#### **APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to all metered water service.

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

#### **RATES**

#### **Quantity Rates:**

Residential Customers  For the first 59.8 CGL  For the next 52.4 CGL  For the next 112.2 CGL  For all water delivered over 224.4 CGL	Base Rate Per 100 gal (CGL) \$0.7555 \$0.8489 \$1.2500 \$1.6787	(I)     (I)
All Other Customers For all water delivered, per CGL	\$0.8489	(1)
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter. For 3/4-inch meter. For 1-inch meter. For 1-1/2-inch meter. For 2-inch meter. For 3-inch meter. For 4-inch meter. For 6-inch meter. For 6-inch meter. For 8-inch meter. For 10-inch meter.	Per Meter Per Month \$6.96 \$10.44 \$17.40 \$34.80 \$55.68 \$104.40 \$174.00 \$348.00 \$556.80 \$800.40	(1)

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

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Schedule No. SD-1 Continued San Diego County District Tariff Area **General Metered Service** 

Sheet 2

#### **RATES (Continued):**

Service Charge: Residential Fire Protection Service (R.F.P.S.)

	<u>Per Meter</u>	
	Per Month	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 1-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$8.04	(I)
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$12.07	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$13.34	
For 3/4-inch residential to 1-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$7.73	
For 3/4-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$11.80	
For 3/4-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$13.02	
For 1-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$20.82	
For 1-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$22.16	
For 1 1/2-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler	\$34.91	(1)
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The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all Residential Fire Protection Service metered services only. It is added the charge for water furnished which is computed at Quantity Rates. The service charge for Residential Fire Protection Service (RFPS) is based on the meter size a customer would require without RFPS and the upsized meter that customer then requires because of the addition of the fire sprinkler system.

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# Schedule No. CA-LIRA California American Water LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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Los Angeles Service Charge: General Metered		
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.  For 3/4-inch meter.  For 1-inch meter.  For 1-1/2-inch meter.  For 2-inch meter.  For 3-inch meter.  For 4-inch meter.  For 6-inch meter.  For 8-inch meter.  For 10-inch meter.	\$12.05 \$20.08 \$40.16 \$64.26 \$120.48 \$200.80 \$401.60 \$642.56	
San Diego Quantity Rates:		
Residential Customers For the first 59.8 CGL For the next 52.4 CGL For the next 112.2 CGL For all water delivered over 224.4 CGL	\$0.8489 \$1.2500	(I)           
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