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July 22, 2021



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. 1335, filed on May 28, 2021, regarding Ventura Purchased Water Offset.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets, effective May 28, 2021, for the utility's files:

P.U.C.	
Sheet No.	Title of Sheet
10001-W	Schedule No. VN-1, Ventura County District Tariff Area
	GENERAL METERED SERVICE, Sheet 3
10002-W	Schedule No. VN-9MC, Ventura County District Tariff Area
	METERED CONSTRUCTION SERVICE, Sheet 2
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Please contact Bradley Leong at BL4@cpuc.ca.gov or 415-703-2307, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/ROBIN BRYANT

Robin Bryant

Water Division

Enclosures

Attachment 1 Advice 1335

Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.
10001-W	Schedule No. VN-1 Ventura County District Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE Sheet 3	9981-W
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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: May 28, 2021

Protest Deadline (20th Day): June 17, 2021

Review Deadline (30th Day): June 27,2021

Utility Contact: Jonathan Morse

Requested Effective Date: May 28, 2021

Rate Impact: \$See AL

See AL%

Utility Name: California American Water

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Description: Ventura Purchased Water Offset

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

☐ Compliance

District: Ventura District

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Authorization General Order 96-B

Utility Contact: Vera Kostikova

CPUC Utility #: U210W

Advice Letter #: 1335

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May 28, 2021

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1335

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 applicable to its Ventura District, which are attached hereto:

C.P.U.C. <u>Sheet No</u> .	Title of Sheet	Canceling Sheet No.
XXXX-W	Schedule No. VN-1 Ventura County District Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE	XXXX-W
XXXX-W	Schedule No. VN-9MC (Continued) Ventura County District Tariff Area MEASURED CONSTRUCTION SERVICE	9982-W

Purpose:

In accordance with Section 7.3.1 of the Water Industry Rules under General Order (GO) 96-B and section 454 of the Public Utilities Code, California American Water is seeking authority to offset Purchased Water Expenses it incurs from the Calleguas Municipal Water District. The Calleguas Municipal Water District increased its rates to California American Water effective January 1, 2021. California American Water requests that the full increase be offset in surcharge rates to account for annual change in purchased water cost.

Background:

California American Water services approximately 21,150 customers in portions of Thousand Oaks, Newbury Park, an area adjacent to Camarillo, and vicinity, Ventura County.

California American Water is requesting an offset due to the Calleguas Municipal Water District increasing water rates from \$1,472 to \$1,507 for Tier 1 rates and \$1,559 to \$1,549 for Tier 2 rates in 2021. Additionally, the "Capacity Reservation Charge" and "Readiness-to-Serve" charge increased in 2021. The Calleguas Municipal Water District updates resulted in an annual increase in purchased water expense to California American Water of \$742,018 plus a corresponding increase of \$3,814 for uncollectibles for a total expense increase of \$745,833. This increase is directly related to water consumption and thus should be applied to the quantity rate. The resulting purchased water surcharge is an increase of \$0.1105, from \$0.4792 per hundred cubic feet (ccf) to \$0.5897, or \$0.0788 per 100 gallons (cgl).

The offset requested represents an increase of \$745,833 or 1.78% over the latest revenue requirement authorized in AL 1282. In accordance with Section 3.2 of Water Industry Rules in GO

96-B for processing expense offset rate increases, California American Water shall include a bill text message providing the amount of the increase, expressed in dollars and percent, in the first bill that includes the increased surcharge.

Request:

California American Water is requesting authorization to increase the quantity rates on its Ventura Service Area Customers by \$0.0148 per cgl for a new total of \$0.0788 per cgl.

Effective Date:

California American Water submits this as a Tier 1 advice letter and requests an effective date of May 28, 2021.

Service List:

Pursuant to Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B, a copy of this advice letter is being provided to those entities listed in the attached "SERVICE LIST PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.3 OF G.O. NO. 96-B." Per guidance from the California Public Utilities Commission's Water Division, during the COVID-19 pandemic, advice letters will only be delivered electronically to the service list. Hardcopy advice letters will be mailed as soon as administrative staff are able to return to California American Water offices. Copies of the detailed workpapers and the documents supporting this advice letter have been furnished to the Commission Staff.

Notice:

Notice is not required prior to the effective date per General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(7). California American Water will provide notice of the increase with implementation of the surcharge through bill message.

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 evaluation 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 errors 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 to California American Water, addressed to:

Email Address:	Mailing Address:
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sarah.leeper@amwater.com	555 Montgomery Street, Suite 816 San Francisco, CA 94111
ca.rates@amwater.com	4701 Beloit Drive Sacramento, CA 95838

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.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, please contact Vera Kostikova at (916) 568-4255.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

/s/ Vera Kostikova

Vera Kostikova

Financial Analyst – Rates & Regulatory

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Schedule No. VN-1 Ventura County District Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE

Sheet 3

SPECIAL CONDITIONS **General Items**

- 1. Qualifying low-income customers can receive a discount on their bill. Customers must apply with the Company for acceptance into the low-income program. For additional details, please see Tariff Schedule CA-LIRA.
- 2. Any customer paying for service at a premise where a Residential Fire Sprinkler System (R.F.P.S.) is required/requested to be installed by local fire and building codes shall be allowed to have their monthly service charge modified in accordance with the monthly costs for R.F.P.S. service charges. Provided, however, that the R.F.P.S. rate has been requested by the customer and verified by the Company that the smaller size of meter would be large enough to provide adequate service for the property in absence of the additional demand necessary to supply water to the sprinkler system. The R.F.P.S. will not be considered a fire service by the Company, but as an oversized general metered service. As such the rules and conditions of service for general metered service shall apply.

Fees and Surcharges

- 1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
- 2. A surcharge is included on each bill to collect franchise taxes and/or business license fees paid to various municipalities. The amount collected is 2.0% based on gross revenues before taxes and PUC fees for the County of Ventura and the City of Thousand Oaks.
- 3. Per Advice Letter 1230-B, a surcharge of \$1.81 for the Customer Assistance Program ("CAP") Balancing Account will be collected from all non-customer assistance program water and wastewater.
- 4. D.18-12-021 authorized a three-year conservation budget of \$638,388 for 2018-2020 for the Ventura District. Effective November 23, 2020, the Conservation surcharge will be removed from customer bills.
- 5. Per Advice Letter 1230-B, the under- collected balance in the Ventura County District Consolidated Expense Balancing Account (CEBA) will be recovered through a quantity based surcharge of \$0.0129 per 100 gallons over 12 months effective May 1, 2019. The total amount will be recovered from all classes of customers.
- 6. Per Advice Letter 1335, a surcharge is applied to each bill to offset the increase in purchased water cost imposed by the Calleguas Municipal Water District. This increase results in a needed revenue increase of \$745,833 or 1.78%. The surcharge of \$0.0788 per 100 gallons is added to the quantity rate effective May 28, 2021.
- (P) 7. A surcharge is included in each bill to recover the net under-collection in the Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM) and Modified Cost Balancing Account (MCBA). For the period (P) ending December 31, 2020, the net under-collection totals \$13,087,631 including interest. The (P) surcharge of \$0.1138 per 100 gallons is set to recover the under-collection at a rate equal to 15% of (P) the authorized revenue requirement as approved by D.18-12-021.

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Schedule No. VN-9MC Ventura County District Tariff Area METERED CONSTRUCTION SERVICE

Sheet 2

SPECIAL CONDITIONS General Items

- Construction water service under this schedule will be furnished only when surplus water is available over the requirements for domestic service and under conditions which will not adversely affect domestic service. The utility will be the sole judge as to the availability of such surplus water.
- 2. Applicants for metered construction service will be required to apply for the service at least 48 hours in advance of the time delivery of water is requested and to pay the costs and chargers as provided in Rule 13, Temporary Service.

Fees and Surcharges

- 3. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
- 4. A surcharge is included on each bill to collect franchise taxes and/or business license fees paid to various municipalities. The amount collected is 2.0% based on gross revenues before taxes and PUC fees for the County of Ventura and the City of Thousand Oaks.
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- 6. D.18-12-021 authorized a three-year conservation budget of \$638,388 for 2018-2020 for the Ventura District. Per AL 1230-B, a surcharge of \$0.0129 per hundred gallons will be applied to each bill to fund California American Water conservation efforts.
- 7. Per Advice Letter 1230-B, the under-collected balance in the Ventura County District Consolidated Expense Balancing Account (CEBA) will be recovered through a quantity based surcharge of \$0.0129 per hundred gallons over 12 months effective May 1, 2019. The total amount will be recovered from all classes of customers.
- 8. Per Advice Letter 1335, a surcharge is applied to each bill to offset the increase in purchased water cost imposed by the Calleguas Municipal Water District. This increase results in a needed revenue increase of \$745,833 or 1.78%. The surcharge of \$0.0788 per 100 gallons is added to the quantity rate effective May 28, 2021.

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