

May 12, 2006

**Advice Letter 343**

**U337W**

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

San Gabriel Valley Water Company ("San Gabriel") hereby submits one original and four copies of the following changes in tariff sheets applicable to its Los Angeles County and Fontana Water Company divisions:

<b><u>CPUC Sheet No.</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Schedule No.</u></b>	<b><u>Canceling CPUC Sheet No.</u></b>
1727-W	California Alternative Rates For Water	LA-CARW	1717-W
1728-W	California Alternative Rates For Water (cont.)	LA-CARW	1724-W
1729-W	California Alternative Rates For Water	FO-CARW	1710-W
1730-W	Form No. 16A Notice & Application for California Alternative Rates For Water Program	N/A	1680-W
1731-W	Form No. 16B Notice & Application for California Alternative Rates For Water Program	N/A	1690-W
1732-W	Table of Contents (cont.)	N/A	1725-W
1733-W	Table of Contents (cont.)	N/A	1693-W
1734-W	Table of Contents	N/A	1726-W

**Purpose**

The purpose of this advice letter is to update the eligibility income guidelines for San Gabriel's low-income program, CARW (California Alternative Rates For Water). Since this only updates the eligibility income guidelines and does not request a change in rates, a Commission resolution is not required for approval.

San Gabriel has revised its Schedules LA-CARW and FO-CARW and Forms 16A and 16B to reflect the annual increase in eligibility income to:

<b>Household Size</b>	<b>June 2006/ May 2007</b>
1 – 2	\$25,000
3	\$29,400
4	\$35,400
5	\$41,400
6	\$47,400
Each Additional	\$6,000

### **Background**

On May 5, 2005, the Commission in Ordering Paragraph No. 1 of Decision No. 05-05-015, in Application 03-04-025, adopted San Gabriel's proposed CARW program for both its Los Angeles County and Fontana Water Company divisions. San Gabriel's CARW program offers a 50% reduction on monthly service charges to customers meeting the following criteria: (1) water account is classified as residential (2) housing unit is either a single family dwelling or duplex (3) service is provided through a 1-inch or smaller meter and (4) household income requirement is met.

The household income requirement, patterned after the energy utilities' CARE (California Alternative Rates For Energy) program, is updated annually by the Commission. On May 4, 2006, the Commission's Energy Division updated the household income requirements for the forthcoming twelve months, June 1, 2006 - May 31, 2007. Accordingly, San Gabriel reflects the updated income guidelines in the appended proposed tariffs, and requests an effective date of June 1, 2006.

### **Notice**

No individuals or utilities have requested notification of filing of tariffs. Distribution of this advice letter is being made to the attached service list in accordance with General Order No. 96-A, Section III-G.

### **Protest 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 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

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

San Gabriel Valley Water Company  
Director, Rates and Revenue  
11142 Garvey Avenue  
El Monte, CA 91733  
FAX: (626)448-5530 or  
E-mail [dadellosa@sgvwater.com](mailto:dadellosa@sgvwater.com)

The advice letter process does not provide for any responses, protests or comments, except for the utility's reply, after the 20-day comment period.

Replies: The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Each reply must be received by the Water Division within 5 business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day to the person who filed the protest or response.

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If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, contact the undersigned person at (626) 448-6183.

San Gabriel Valley Water Company

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