

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER COMPANY

December 1, 2014

Advice Letter 452

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TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

San Gabriel Valley Water Company ("San Gabriel") hereby requests ministerial review of the following changes in tariff sheets applicable to its Fontana Water Company division:

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This advice letter seeks authorization to restore to rates recovery of certain construction costs incurred in the remodeling of the El Monte office building as authorized in Advice Letter 424, approved effective April 1, 2013. The requested annual revenue increase is \$54,213 or 0.1%. An original and four copies of this advice letter are submitted in compliance with General Order 96-B. This is designated as a Tier 2 advice letter, with a requested December 31, 2014 effective date.

Background

San Gabriel filed general rate case Application No. 11-07-005 in July 2011 for its Fontana Water Company division. Evidentiary hearings were held during January 2012. A year later in February 2013, San Gabriel submitted Advice Letter 424 to recover certain costs of refurbishing its general office in El Monte. None of these costs were at issue in that proceeding. More particularly, the General Division rate base was litigated in Application No. 10-07-019, the general rate case for the Los Angeles County and General divisions.

Advice Letter 424 was approved effective April 1, 2013, and San Gabriel was authorized to increase its rates in the Fontana Water Company division by \$54,213 or 0.1%. Decision 14-05-001 was issued in Application No. 11-07-005, and rates were implemented effective May 6, 2014. However, the cost recovery previously authorized in Advice Letter 424 was not reflected in the general rate case rates in D.14-05-001, as briefs in that proceeding had been submitted in June 2012. San Gabriel now requests that this previously authorized cost recovery be restored in rates.

Supporting Workpapers

San Gabriel has furnished to the Commission staff for its review, the workpapers supporting the proposed revenue increase and the proposed rate design.

Service and Notice

Distribution of this Advice Letter is being made to the attached service lists in accordance with Water Industry Rule 4.1 of General Order 96-B and San Gabriel will post this Advice Letter on its website in accordance with Water Industry Rule 3.3. No further public notice is required because all public notices in connection with Application No. 10-07-019 have already been made in accordance with applicable law and Commission rules.

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) San Gabriel 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 San Gabriel 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;
- (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.

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A response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Division of Water and Audits within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The address for mailing or delivering a response or protest is:

Tariff Unit, Division of Water and Audits, 3rd floor
California Public Utilities Commission,
505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102
Email: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

On the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Division of Water and Audits, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail to San Gabriel addressed as follows:

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

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

Replies: San Gabriel will reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Each reply must be received by the Division of Water and Audits 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.

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



Daniel A. Dell'Osa
Director of Rates and Revenue

cc: James Boothe, CPUC – Division of Water and Audits
Hani Moussa, CPUC – Water Branch, DRA
Danilo Sanchez, CPUC – Water Branch, DRA

SCHEDULE NO. FO-1
Fontana Water Company
GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service, except for those Residential customers required to be served under Schedule FO-1C.

TERRITORY

Portions of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto, and vicinity, San Bernardino County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

For all water used, per 100 cu. ft. \$ 2.7192 (I)

Per Meter
Per Month

Service Charges:

For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$ 13.90	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter	20.86	
For 1-inch meter.....	34.76	
For 1-1/2-inch meter	69.51	
For 2-inch meter.....	111.19	
For 3-inch meter.....	208.58	
For 4-inch meter.....	348.00	
For 6-inch meter.....	691.00	
For 8-inch meter.....	1,111.00	
For 10-inch meter.....	1,601.00	
For 12-inch meter.....	2,292.00	(I)

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SCHEDULE NO. FO-1
Fontana Water Company
GENERAL METERED SERVICE
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RATES (continued)

	<u>Per Battery</u>	
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For two 2-inch meters	\$ 222.00	
For three 2-inch meters	333.00	
For four 2-inch meters.....	444.00	
For two 3-inch meters	417.00	
For two 4-inch meters	696.00	(I)
For one 8-inch meter, two 2-inch meters.....	1,331.00	(I)
For two 8-inch meters	2,202.00	(I)

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

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. AA-UF.
2. A surcredit of \$0.2165 per Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates for thirty-six months beginning on August 1, 2014 and ending on July 31, 2017 to refund an overcollection associated with the Sandhill Water Treatment Facility Plant.
3. A surcredit of \$0.0294 per Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates for a 12-month period beginning on February 26, 2014 to amortize the overcollection in the Cost of Capital Interim Rate Memorandum Account (CCIRMA).
4. A surcredit of \$0.0330 per Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates for a 12-month period beginning on May 6, 2014 to amortize the March 2011 balances in five balancing and memorandum accounts as authorized by D.14-05-001.
5. A surcharge of \$0.1297/Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates of only non-CARW customers to recover the estimated benefits provided under the California Alternative Rates for Water (CARW) program.
6. A surcharge of \$0.1597 per Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates of only non-CARW customers for a 12-month period ending September 20, 2015 to amortize the undercollection in the California Alternative Rates for Water (CARW) Memorandum Account.

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SCHEDULE NO. FO-1C
Fontana Water Company
GENERAL METERED SERVICE - CONSERVATION RATES

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered Residential customers, excluding apartments, trailer parks, and any other facility in which Residential customers receive service through a master meter.

TERRITORY

Portions of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto, and vicinity, San Bernardino County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

For the first 16 Ccf of water used, per 100 cu. ft.....	\$ 2.5032	(I)
For all Ccf greater than 16 Ccf, per 100 cu. Ft.....	\$ 2.8789	

Service Charges:		Per Meter Per Month
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$ 14.53	
For 3/4-inch meter	21.80	
For 1-inch meter	36.34	
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	72.67	
For 2-inch meter	116.30	
For 3-inch meter	217.98	(I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. AA-UF.
2. A surcredit of \$0.2165 per Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates for thirty-six months beginning on August 1, 2014 and ending on July 31, 2017 to refund an overcollection associated with the Sandhill Water Treatment Facility Plant.
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SCHEDULE NO. FO-4
Fontana Water Company
PRIVATE FIRE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to water service furnished to private fire systems and to private fire hydrants.

TERRITORY

Portions of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto and vicinity, San Bernardino County.

RATE

Per Service
Per Month

For each inch of diameter of service connection\$9.37 (I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The customer will pay, without refund, the entire cost of the private fire service facilities.
2. The private fire service facilities shall be installed by the utility or under the utility's direction and shall be the sole property and subject to the control of the utility, with the right to alter, repair, replace and the right to remove upon discontinuance of service.
3. The minimum diameter for the private fire service connection will be 4-inches. The maximum diameter shall not be larger than the diameter of the water main to which the private fire service facilities are attached unless said main is circulating, in which case with the approval of the utility the maximum diameter may be larger by not more than 2-inches than the diameter of said circulating main.
4. If a water main of adequate size is not available adjacent to the premises to be served, then a new main from the nearest existing main of adequate size will be installed by the utility at the cost of the customer. Such cost shall not be subject to refund.
5. The private fire service facilities will include a detector check valve or other similar device acceptable to the utility which will indicate the use of water. The facilities may be located within the customer's premises or within public right of way adjacent thereto. Where located within the premises, the utility and its duly authorized agents shall have the right of ingress to and egress from the premises for all purposes related to said facilities. In the event the installation is solely a private fire hydrant facility, the requirement for a detector check valve or other similar device may be waived.

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SCHEDULE NO. FO-6
Fontana Water Company Tariff Area
RECYCLED WATER METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all recycled water metered service.

TERRITORY

Portions of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto, and vicinity, San Bernardino County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

For all water delivered per 100 cu. ft..... \$ 2.0394 (I)

Service Charge:

	Per Meter	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$ 13.90	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter.....	20.86	
For 1-inch meter.....	34.76	
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RECYCLED WATER METERED SERVICE
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RATES – (continued)

	Per Battery	
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For two 2-inch meters.....	\$ 222.00	
For three 2-inch meters.....	333.00	
For four 2-inch meters.....	444.00	
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The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is added the charge for reclaimed water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The Quantity Rate is set at 75% of the Quantity Rate of Schedule No. FO-1.
2. The customer is responsible for compliance with all local, state, and federal rules and regulations that apply to the use of recycled water on the customer's premises.
3. The utility will supply only such recycled water at such pressure as may be available from time to time from the recycled water system. The customer shall indemnify the utility and save it harmless against any and all claims arising out of service under this schedule and shall further agree to make no claims against the utility for any loss or damage resulting from service under this schedule.
4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. AA-UF.
5. A surcredit of \$0.2165 per Ccf is to be applied to the quantity rates for thirty-six months beginning on August 1, 2014 and ending on July 31, 2017 to refund an overcollection associated with the Sandhill Water Treatment Facility Plant.
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SCHEDULE NO. FO-9C
Fontana Water Company
CONSTRUCTION AND TANK TRUCK SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to temporary water service furnished for construction purposes and for water delivered to tank trucks from fire hydrants or other outlets.

TERRITORY

Portions of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto and vicinity, San Bernardino County.

RATE

Unit Rates

For sidewalk construction, per 100 sq. feet.....	\$0.721	(I)
For street curb construction, per 100 lineal feet	1.441	(I)
For trench settling, per lineal foot of section of trench 2 feet by 4 feet	0.060	
For sprinkling subgrade of street and roadway construction in application of oil or any form of patented oil paving or surfacing, or for rolling and settling subgrade, per 3,000 square feet of roadway.....	10.10	(I)
For compaction of fill, per cubic yard of fill material.....	0.090	
For water delivered to tank wagon or truck, per 100 gallons.....	0.230	

MINIMUM CHARGE

For any service rendered under this schedule..... \$36.18 (I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. An applicant wishing to obtain water deliveries under this schedule must first obtain a written permit from the utility.
2. Where water is to be obtained from a public fire hydrant, a permit must be obtained from the fire protection district or other public agency having jurisdiction.
3. For other temporary uses the quantity of water used shall be estimated or metered by the utility. Charges for such water shall be at the quantity rate for General Metered Service applicable to the tariff area within which the water is delivered.
4. An applicant for service under this schedule must pay the utility in advance the net cost of installing and removing any facilities necessary to provide such service.

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SCHEDULE NO. FO-9CL
Fontana Water Company
SERVICE TO TRACT HOUSES DURING CONSTRUCTION

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to water service for house construction where houses are being constructed as part of a real estate development.

TERRITORY

Portions of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto and vicinity, San Bernardino County

RATES

For each lot for the construction period . . . \$12.37 (I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. This service is available only to real estate developers or builders who make application prior to installation of mains and services and who undertake the construction of houses as part of the development. At its option the utility may provide the service if application is made after mains and services have been installed.
2. Water service under this tariff schedule is only to be used for house construction. It does not include water use for landscaping or other tract improvement work.
3. When each house passes final inspection water service under this schedule will be terminated.
4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. AA-UF.

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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

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J. Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM) Memorandum Account For Fontana Water Company Division

1. Purpose: The purpose of this memorandum account is to track the Quantity Rate revenues collected under Schedule FO-1C tiered rates against the revenues that would have been collected under a single block Quantity Rate.
2. The following entries will be made monthly to the WRAM memorandum Account in the Fontana Water Company division:
 - a. The recorded revenues collected through the tiered Quantity Rate under Schedule No. FO-1C (debit).
 - b. The calculated revenues that would have been collected under a single block Quantity Rate for the same water usage as in 2a above (credit).
 - c. The CPUC-adopted Quantity Rates (\$/Ccf) to be used in calculating the revenues for 2a and 2b above are as follows:

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Single Block Rate</u>	0-16 Ccf/mo. Over 16 Ccf/mo.	
		<u>Tier 1 Rate</u>	<u>Tier 2 Rate</u>
July 1, 2011	\$2.5046	\$2.3529	\$2.7057
April 1, 2013	\$2.5067	\$2.3549	\$2.7080
May 28, 2013	\$2.4498	\$2.3014	\$2.6465
July 1, 2013	\$2.5689	\$2.4133	\$2.7753
July 1, 2014	\$2.6625	\$2.5011	\$2.8765
December 31, 2014	\$2.6648	\$2.5032	\$2.8789

- d. Franchise fees and uncollectible account expense, based on the net of 2a and 2b above, and the CPUC-adopted rates for franchise fees and uncollectible expenses.
- e. Monthly interest calculated at 1/12 of the most recent month's interest rate on Commercial Paper (prime, 3-month), published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15 (<http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/H15/data/m/cp3m.txt>), or its successor publication.
3. The balance in the memorandum account shall be amortized by a Tier 1 advice letter whenever the balance exceeds 2% of the authorized revenue requirement for the preceding calendar year. If the balance is below 2%, San Gabriel shall propose its amortization in a general rate case.
4. The memorandum account will terminate when so ordered in a CPUC general rate case decision, at which time any remaining debit (undercollection) or credit (overcollection) balance will be amortized through a rate surcharge or surcredit.

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