

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS**

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: California American Water
District: Northern Division District
CPUC Utility #: U210W
Advice Letter #: 1270
Tier: 1 2 3 Compliance
Authorization: D.18-12-021
Description: 2020 Step Rate Filing – Northern Division

Date Mailed to Service List: November 11, 2019
Protest Deadline (20th Day): December 1, 2019
Review Deadline (30th Day): December 11, 2019
Requested Effective Date: January 1, 2020
Rate Impact: \$See AL
See AL%

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

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Comments: _____

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ADVICE LETTER NO. 1270

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 Northern Division which are attached hereto:

<u>C.P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling Sheet No.</u>
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Purpose:

The purpose of this advice letter filing is to request approval of the 2020 step rates for Northern Division in accordance with Decision (D.) 18-12-021. This advice letter requests implemented rates for escalation year 2020 be made effective and implemented in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Decision (D.) 18-12-021.

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.*

Request:

This advice letter filing is to request implementation of the Northern Division - Sacramento and Larkfield's 2020 step increase.

As shown the earnings test and workpapers for the twelve months ended September 30, 2019, the Larkfield district earned a rate of return of 7.88% on a recorded basis and 5.57% on a "pro forma" basis. The most recent authorized rate of return per D.18-03-035 was 7.61% adjusted to 7.63% to match the designated pro forma period.

As shown the earnings test and workpapers for the twelve months ended September 30, 2019, the Sacramento district earned a rate of return of 5.50% on a recorded basis and 6.23% on a "pro forma" basis. The most recent authorized rate of return per D.18-03-035 was 7.61% adjusted to 7.65% 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.

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 January 1, 2020.

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.

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 (**or** postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

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¹ G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

² G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

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:

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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.

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

³ G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

Schedule No. ND-1
Northern Division Tariff Area
GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service.

SACRAMENTO TARIFF AREA

TERRITORY

The unincorporated communities, subdivisions, and adjacent areas generally known as Cordova, Rosemont, Parkway Estates, Lindale, Foothill Farms, Arlington Heights, Linwood, Loretto Heights, Arden Highlands, Arden Estates and Sunrise Security Park, and Ox-Bow. A part of the City of Citrus Heights and the communities of Antelope and Sabre City in Sacramento and Placer counties. The city of Isleton and vicinity and the unincorporated community of Walnut Grove in Sacramento County. The lower southwestern portion of Placer County, including the areas known as Morgan Creek, Doyle Ranch, Sun Valley Oaks, and Riolo Greens. Dunnigan, along both sides of Interstate 5, between County Roads 2 on the north and County Road 9 on the south, Yolo County. Geyserville and vicinity, Sonoma County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u>	
	<u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
<u>Residential Customers:</u>		
For the first 74.8 CGL	\$0.3823	(1)
For next 74.8 CGL.....	\$0.5125	
For all water delivered over 149.6 CGL	\$0.8022	
 <u>All Other Customers:</u>		(1)
For all water delivered, per CGL	\$0.4457	

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u>	
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$14.37	(1)
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$21.56	
For 1-inch meter.....	\$35.93	
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$71.85	
For 2-inch meter.....	\$114.96	
For 3-inch meter.....	\$215.55	
For 4-inch meter.....	\$359.25	
For 6-inch meter.....	\$718.50	
For 8-inch meter.....	\$1,149.60	
For 10-inch meter.....	\$1,652.55	
For 12-inch meter.....	\$3,089.55	(1)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all general metered services. It is added to the charge for water furnished, which is based on Quantity Rates.

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Northern Division Tariff Area
GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 2

SACRAMENTO TARIFF AREA RATES (Continued):

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

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>	(1)
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 1-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$21.28	(1)
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$24.88	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$26.10	
For 3/4-inch residential to 1-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$31.01	
For 3/4-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$34.61	
For 3/4-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$35.81	
For 1-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$53.69	
For 1-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$54.69	
For 1 1/2-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$102.35	

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.

LARKFIELD TARIFF AREA RATES

TERRITORY

The unincorporated areas known as the Larkfield and Wikiup subdivisions and the community of Fulton, three miles north of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u> <u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>
<u>Residential Customers:</u>	
For the first 52.4 CGL	\$0.8898
For the next 52.4 CGL	\$0.9619
For the next 194.5 CGL	\$1.3683
For all water delivered over 299.3 CGL.....	\$1.7795
<u>All Other Customers:</u>	
For all water delivered, per CGL	\$0.9619

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GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 3

LARKFIELD TARIFF AREA RATES (Continued)

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$17.66
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$26.49
For 1-inch meter.....	\$44.15
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$88.30
For 2-inch meter.....	\$141.28
For 3-inch meter.....	\$264.90
For 4-inch meter.....	\$441.50
For 6-inch meter.....	\$883.00
For 8-inch meter.....	\$1,412.80

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all general metered services. It is added to the charge for water furnished, which is based on the Quantity Rates.

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

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 1-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$23.19
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$26.67
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$27.77
For 3/4-inch residential to 1-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$33.77
For 3/4-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$37.72
For 3/4-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$38.71
For 1-inch residential to 1 1/2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$58.51
For 1-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$59.60
For 1 1/2-inch residential to 2-inch residential metered fire sprinkler.....	\$110.44

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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MEADOWBROOK TARIFF AREA

TERRITORY

The unincorporated area known as Meadowbrook Tract, including Nos. 1 and 2, located approximately 1-1/2 miles northwest of the city of Merced, Merced County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u>	(l)
	<u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
<u>All Customers:</u>		
For the first 112 CGL	\$0.1702	
For all water delivered over 112 CGL	\$0.2092	(l)

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u>	(l)
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$22.25	
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$22.25	
For 1-inch meter.....	\$55.63	
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$111.26	
For 2-inch meter.....	\$178.02	
For 3-inch meter.....	\$333.78	
For 4-inch meter.....	\$556.30	
For 6-inch meter.....	\$1,112.61	(l)

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. CA-LIRA
California American Water
LOW INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water furnished on a metered basis.

TERRITORY

All territories served by California American Water Company

RATES:

**Northern Division:
Sacramento District**

RATES

Quantity Rates:

<u>Residential Customers:</u>	<u>Base Rate</u>	
	<u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
For the first 74.8 CGL	\$0.3058	(l)
For next 74.8 CGL.....	\$0.4100	
For all water delivered over 149.6 CGL	\$0.8022	(l)

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u>	
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$11.50	(l)
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$17.25	
For 1-inch meter.....	\$28.74	
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$57.48	
For 2-inch meter.....	\$91.97	
For 3-inch meter.....	\$172.44	
For 4-inch meter.....	\$287.40	
For 6-inch meter.....	\$574.80	
For 8-inch meter.....	\$919.68	
For 10-inch meter.....	\$1,322.04	
For 12-inch meter.....	\$2,471.64	(l)

Larkfield District

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u>	
	<u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
For the first 52.4 CGL	\$0.7119	(l)
For the next 52.4 CGL.....	\$0.7696	
For the next 139.4 CGL.....	\$1.3685	
For all water delivered over 243.9 CGL	\$1.7798	(l)

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Sheet 2

RATES:

Larkfield District (Continued):
Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$14.13
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$21.19
For 1-inch meter.....	\$35.32
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$70.64
For 2-inch meter.....	\$113.02
For 3-inch meter.....	\$211.92
For 4-inch meter.....	\$353.20
For 6-inch meter.....	\$706.40
For 8-inch meter.....	\$1,130.24

Central Division:
Monterey County District
Service Charge: General Metered

Residential Customers:

	Base Rate Per 100 gal (CGL)
For the first 29.9 CGL.....	\$0.6388
For the next 29.9 CGL.....	\$0.9582
For the next 44.9 CGL.....	\$2.2357
For the next 67.3 CGL.....	\$4.1520
For all water over 172.0 CGL.....	\$7.3002

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$14.66
For 3/4-inch meter	\$25.67
For 1-inch meter	\$51.29
For 1-1/2-inch meter	\$160.79
For 2-inch meter	\$274.42
For 3-inch meter	\$514.53
For 4-inch meter	\$900.43
For 6-inch meter	\$1,929.49
For 8-inch meter	\$3,087.19

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