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January 25, 2024

Jonathan Morse
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Dear Mr. Morse,

The Water Division of the California Public Utilities Commission has approved California-American Water Company's Advice Letter No. 1434, filed on December 22, 2023, regarding 2024 Production Expense Offset for Northern Division.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets, effective January 1, 2024, for the utility's files:

P.U.C.	
Sheet No.	Title of Sheet
10987-W	Schedule No. ND-1, Northern Division Tariff Area General Metered Services, Sheet 9
10988-W	Table Of Contents, Sheet 3
10989-W	Table Of Contents, Sheet 1

Please contact Bradley Leong at BL4@cpuc.ca.gov or 415-703-2307, if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Enclosures

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: California American Water	Date Mailed to Service List: December 22, 2023
District: Northern Division	
CPUC Utility #: U210W	Protest Deadline (20th Day): January 11, 2024
Advice Letter #: 1434	Review Deadline (30th Day): January 21, 2024
Tier <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Compliance	Requested Effective Date: January 1, 2024
Authorization	
Description: 2024 Northern Division Production Expense Offset	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.

Utility Contact: Chase Grady	Utility Contact: Jonathan Morse
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DWA Contact: Tariff Unit	
Phone: (415) 703-1133	
Email: Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov	

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>

<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED	<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	<input type="checkbox"/> REJECTED
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Signature: _____	Comments: _____
Date: _____	_____

December 22, 2023

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1434

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Pursuant to General Order 96-B and Decision (“D.”) 21-11-018, California-American Water Company (“California American Water”) (U210W) submits for filing and review this advice letter including the tariff sheets applicable to its Northern Division which are attached hereto.

Purpose:

The purpose of this advice letter is to request Commission approval of an increase in rates of \$605,403 or 0.73% to offset increased purchased water costs in California American Water’s Northern Division.

Background:

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, which is obtained from multiple purveyors, in its Northern Division.

Purchased Water

Purchased water is obtained from Sacramento County Water Agency, the water supplier for its Sacramento Service Area. Sacramento County Water Agency increased its wholesale rates to California American Water effective July 1, 2023. Purchased water is also obtained from City of Sacramento, who increased its wholesale rates on September 1, 2023, and Placer County Water Agency, who is increasing its wholesale rates in 2024. California American Water requests that the full increase be offset to account for the annual change in purchased water costs. The increase to water rates results in a \$602,321 annual increase to purchased water expense to California American Water, plus a corresponding increase of \$3,082 in uncollectible for a total increase of \$605,403. The increase is directly related to water consumption and thus should be applied to the quantity rate. The resulting final purchased water surcharge is \$0.0545 per ccf (\$0.0073 per 100 gallons) for the Sacramento Service Area.

Request:

California American Water requests authorization to implement a purchased water surcharge totaling \$0.0545 per ccf (\$0.0073 per 100 gallons) for the Northern Division not including Larkfield and Meadowbrook Service Area.

Tier Designation:

This advice letter is submitted with a Tier 1 designation.

Effective Date:

California American Water requests an effective date of January 1, 2024.

Notice & Service List:

This is a Tier 1 advice letter that does not require customer notification, as provided in Water Industry Rule 7.3.1 of General Order 96-B. California American Water will notify its customers of this production expense by placing a message on the customer's water bills that are generated after the increase goes into effect. In accordance with General Order 96-B, General Rule 4.3 and 7.2 and Water Industry Rule 4.1, a copy of this advice letter will be transmitted electronically to interested parties having requested such notification. ***Please note that this advice letter will only be distributed electronically.***

Protests and Responses:

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. 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 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 grounds¹ 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.)

¹ G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

A response 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

In the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy by mail (or e-mail) to us, addressed to:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

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Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Water Division, 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 Chase Grady at (916) 568-4241.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

/s/ Chase Grady

Chase Grady
Associate Rates & Regulatory Analyst

Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.
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Schedule No. ND-1
Northern Division Tariff Area
GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 9

NORTHERN DIVISION TARIFF AREA (Continued)

Fees and Surcharges (Continued)

Sacramento Service Area

- 1. Per Advice Letter 1434, a surcharge is applied to each bill to offset increases in purchased water costs in the Sacramento Service Area. This offset results in a needed increase of \$605,403. The surcharge of \$0.0073 per cgl is added to the quantity rate beginning January 1, 2024.

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Larkfield Service Area

- 1. Per Advice Letter 1417, a surcharge is applied to each bill to offset increases in purchased water costs imposed by the Sonoma County Water Agency. This offset results in a needed increase of \$85,715. The surcharge of \$0.0393 per cgl is added to the quantity rate beginning August 27, 2023.
- 2. Per Advice Letter 1417, a surcharge is applied to each bill to offset increases in purchased power costs in the Larkfield Service Area. This offset results in a needed increase of \$20,584. The surcharge of \$0.0094 per cgl is added to the quantity rate beginning August 27, 2023.

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(Fruitridge Vista, Hillview, Larkfield, Meadowbrook, & Sacramento Service Areas)

ND-1	General Metered Service	10949-W, 10950-W, 10951-W, 10952-W, 10953-W, 10722-W, 10789-W, 10857-W, 10987-W, 10859-W, 10442-W, 10708-W, 10805-W	
ND-HV-9M	Measured Services For Trucks	10954-W	(C)
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Central Division

Monterey Service Area

(Monterey Main, Hidden Hills, Ryan Ranch, & Bishop Service Areas)

MO-1-SF	General Metered Service Single Family Residential Customers	10956-W, 10555-W, 10266-W, 10793-W, 10862-W, 10703-W, 10806-W	
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Central Satellite Service Area

(Ambler Park, Chualar, Garrapata, Ralph Lane & Toro Service Areas)

CEN-SAT	General Metered Service	10962-W, 10963-W, 10364-W, 10866-W, 10719-W, 10707-W, 10810-W	
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Southern Division

(Los Angeles Service Areas- Duarte, San Marino, Rio Plaza, Baldwin Hills, San Diego & Ventura Service Areas)

SOU-1	General Metered Service	10964-W, 10965-W, 10966-W, 10967-W, 10762-W, 10869-W, 10709-W, 10811-W	
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