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ADVICE LETTER NO. 1250

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California-American Water Company (Cal-Am) (U210W) hereby submits for review this advice letter including the following tariff sheets applicable to Cal-Am's Los Angeles District, which are attached hereto:

<u>C.P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling Sheet No.</u>
XXXX-W	Schedule No. LA-RP-1 (Sheet 2) Los Angeles County District - Rio Plaza GENERAL METERED SERVICE	NEW
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**PURPOSE:**

With this filing, California American Water seeks establish a 2018 groundwater extraction fee surcharge for Rio Plaza in the Los Angeles District as authorized in Resolution W-5202.

**BACKGROUND**

Resolution W-5202, issued on August 15, 2019, authorized Rio Plaza Water Company to implement a surcharge of \$2.88 per month per customer for a period of twelve months, to seek recovery of \$17,996 for groundwater extraction fees imposed by Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency during 2018, as recorded in Rio Plaza's Groundwater management Memorandum Account (GGMA).<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> As noted in Resolution W-5202: "On April 25, 2019, by Decision (D.) 19-04-015, the Commission approved the sale and transfer of Rio Plaza to California-American Water Company (Cal-Am). Cal-Am will continue to provide water utility service to Rio Plaza's customers under existing rates until it is consolidated for ratemaking purposes with Cal-Am's Los Angeles District in Cal-Am's next General Rate Case for Test Year 2021. The relief requested by AL 75-W is therefore not impacted by the change of ownership from Rio Plaza to Cal-Am."

**REQUEST**

California American Water Company requests authorization to implement a groundwater extraction fee surcharge totaling \$2.88 per month per customer for a period of twelve months for customers in the Rio Plaza service area only.

**SERVICE LIST**

Pursuant to Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B, a copy of this advice letter is being sent to those entities listed in the attached service list. Copies of the detailed workpapers and the documents supporting this Advice Letter have also been furnished to the Commission Staff.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

Cal-Am submits this as a Tier 1 advice letter per the resolution and requests an effective date of August 28, 2019.

**RESPONSE OR PROTEST<sup>2</sup>**

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 grounds<sup>3</sup> 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.

Water Division 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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<sup>2</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

<sup>3</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

**Email Address:**  
[Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov)

**Mailing Address:**  
CA Public Utilities Commission  
Division of Water and Audits  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

On 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:

<b>Recipients:</b>	<b>E-Mail:</b>	<b>Mailing Address:</b>
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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.

**REPLIES**<sup>4</sup>

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.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, contact this person at (916) 568-4232.

This filing will not cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

*/s/ Lakhjit Thind*

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<sup>4</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

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Schedule No. LA-RP-1  
Los Angeles County District - Rio Plaza  
GENERAL METERED SERVICE

Sheet 2

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

Fees and Surcharges

- 4. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission all bills are subject to a 12-month surcharge of \$2.88 per month offsetting Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency pumping fee for exceeding the groundwater allocation for 2018 a total of \$17,996

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