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September 24, 2019

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Dear Mr. Linam,

The Commission has approved California-American Water Company's Advice Letter No. 1248, filed on July 23, 2019, regarding RFPS Surcharge Update.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets for the utility's files:

P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet
9195-W	Schedule No. MO-1-MF, Monterey Country District Tariff Area General Metered Service
9196-W	Schedule No. MO-1-SF, Monterey Country District Tariff Area General Metered Service
9197-W	Table of Contents, (Page 1)
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Please contact Bradley Leong at 415-703-2307, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/ROBIN BRYANT

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Enclosures

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DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS**

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: California American Water
District: Monterey County District
CPUC Utility #: U210W
Advice Letter #: 1248
Tier 1 2 3 Compliance
Authorization G.O. 96-B
Description: RFPS Surcharge Update

Date Mailed to Service List: July 23, 2019
Protest Deadline (20th Day): August 12, 2019
Review Deadline (30th Day): August 22, 2019
Requested Effective Date: July 23, 2019
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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<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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Signature: _____ **Comments:** _____
Date: _____ _____



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July 23, 2019

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1248

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Pursuant to General Order 96-B, California-American Water Company (“Cal-Am”) (U210W) hereby submits for review this advice letter, including the following tariff sheets, which are attached hereto:

<u>C.P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling Sheet No.</u>
9195-W	Schedule No. MO-1-SF Monterey Country District Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE	9139-W
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PURPOSE

By this advice letter, Cal-Am requests authorization to revise its Monterey County District Residential Fire Protection System (“RFPS”) tariff language to permit eligible customers to have the Pre-2015 Water Rate Adjustment Mechanism (“WRAM”) surcharge and the Seaside Basin surcharge reduced by one meter size.

BACKGROUND

In Case 18-04-024, a Cal-Am customer filed an expedited complaint to have, among other items, the Pre-2015 WRAM and Seaside Basin surcharges reduced by one meter size because he was a RFPS customer. Eligible RFPS customers are able to have their monthly service charged reduced by one meter size if that customer had been required by the County to install fire sprinklers, thereby requiring a larger meter than would be needed for standard water use.

In D.19-01-009, the Commission agreed with the customer and ordered that the Pre-2015 WRAM and Seaside Basin surcharges be reduced one meter size. The Commission found the logic of the RFPS service charge tariff should apply to treatment of the Pre-2015 WRAM and

Seaside Basin surcharges. D.19-01-019 was issued in an expedited complaint and is not binding or precedential.

The RFPS service tariff for Monterey, which is unique to the Monterey County District, has also been a consistent source of customer complaints and its application has been cumbersome and time-consuming. In Cal-Am's July 1, 2019 General Rate Case filing, Application19-07-004, in order to address the current situation, Cal-Am is proposing to eliminate the special RFPS tariff language and bring the Monterey County District's tariff in-line with the rest of Cal-Am's service territories.

In the interim, and even though D.19-01-019 is not precedential and does not apply to any customer other than the complainant, Cal-Am requests authority to – on a prospective basis – to reduce eligible RFPS customers' Pre-2015 WRAM and Seaside Basin surcharges by one meter size.

REQUEST

This advice letter requests eligible RFPS customers' Pre-2015 WRAM and Seaside Basin surcharges be reduced by one meter size.

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 work papers 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 filing and requests an effective date of July 23, 2019.

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

¹ G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

² G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

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:

Email Address:

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 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.

³ G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

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 me at (916) 568-4255.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

/s/ Jeffrey T. Linam

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Schedule No. MO-1-SF
Monterey County District Tariff Area
GENERAL METERED SERVICE

Sheet 2

RATES (continued):

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

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1-inch meter rate reduced to 3/4-inch meter service charge	\$36.67
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2-inch meter rate reduced to 1-1/2-inch meter service charge.....	\$229.70
3-inch meter rate reduced to 2-inch meter service charge	\$392.02
4-inch meter rate reduced to 3-inch meter service charge	\$735.04
6-inch meter rate reduced to 4-inch meter service charge	\$1,286.33
8-inch meter rate reduced to 6-inch meter service charge	\$2,756.42

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