

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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April 6, 2021

Jeffrey T. Linam  
Vice President of Rates & Regulatory  
California-American Water Company  
4701 Beloit Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95838-2434

Dear Mr. Linam,

The Commission has approved California-American Water Company's Advice Letter No. 1324, filed on February 23, 2021, regarding Chromium 6 Balancing Account - Accounting Update.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets, effective February 23, 2021, for the utility's files:

<b>P.U.C.</b>	<b>Sheet No.</b>	<b>Title of Sheet</b>
	9948-W	PRELIMINARY STATEMENT Summary Table, Sheet 2
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Please contact Bradley Leong at [BL4@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:BL4@cpuc.ca.gov) or 415-703-2307, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/ROBIN BRYANT

Robin Bryant  
Water Division

Enclosures





February 23, 2021

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1324

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 its Sacramento and Meadowbrook tariff areas which are attached hereto.

**Purpose:**

This advice letter filing is being filed to transfer the remaining balance of the Chromium 6 Balancing account and to close the account in compliance with Resolution W-5212.

**Background:**

On September 19, 2018, California American Water filed Advice Letter 1214 requesting recovery of project costs for the Sacramento and Dunnigan Hexavalent Chromium Treatment projects tracked in the Los Angeles County and Sacramento Districts Chromium 6 Memorandum Account. California American Water subsequently supplemented the advice letter in Advice Letters 1214-A and 1214-B.

Resolution W-5212, issued on December 19, 2019, approved AL 1214 as supplemented and made the following relevant orders:

2. California-American Water Company's request in Advice Letter 1214 as supplemented to amortize the Chromium 6 Memorandum Account to recover its past capital and operating expenses in the amount \$858,329 through a temporary surcharge in Northern Division tariffs (including the customers in the Meadowbrook, Dunnigan and Geyserville) for a period of 12 months is approved. The temporary surcharge of \$0.0729 per hundred gallons is authorized to be added under a special condition in California American Water Company's tariff schedule in the Northern Division for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. At the end of the amortization period any remaining balance shall be transferred to the Consolidated Expense Balancing Account and the Chromium 6 Balancing Account closed and removed from the Preliminary Statements in the tariff.
3. Within five days of the effective date of this Resolution, California-American Water Company shall submit a Tier 1 advice letter to implement the tariff schedules attached as Appendix B to this Resolution. The Tier 1 advice letter shall also establish a Chromium 6 Balancing Account in the Preliminary Statements of its tariff, transfer the balance authorized for amortization from the Chromium 6 Memorandum Account to the Chromium 6 Balancing Account. California-American Water Company's Chromium 6 Memorandum Account shall remain open.
4. At the end of the 12-month amortization period, California-American Water Company shall submit a Tier 1 advice letter closing the Chromium 6 Balancing Account with any

remaining balance, plus or minus, transferred to California-American Water Company's Consolidated Expense Balancing Account for its Northern Division.

Through Advice letter 1277 California American Water established the Chromium 6 Balancing Account, transferred the \$858,329 balance to the balancing account, and implemented a temporary surcharge on its Northern Division tariffs.

As detailed below, California American Water files this advice letter to comply with the remaining components of the ordering paragraphs.

**Request:**

California American Water requests authority to transfer the balance of the Chromium 6 Balancing account into the Consolidated Expense Balancing Account and to close and remove the account from the Preliminary Statements.

The Consolidated Expense Balancing Account for the Sacramento and Meadowbrook Tariff Areas is under-collected by \$1,754,311, therefore California American Water requests recovery over 12 months.

**Tier Designation:**

This advice letter is submitted pursuant to General Order No. 96-B, Resolution W-5212, and is designated as a Tier 1 filing.

**Effective Date:**

California American Water requests an effective date of February 23, 2021.

**Notice:**

Pursuant to Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B, a copy of this advice letter is being provided to those entities listed in the attached "SERVICE LIST PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.3 OF G.O. NO. 96-B." Per guidance from the California Public Utilities Commission's Water Division, during the COVID-19 pandemic advice letters will only be delivered electronically to the service list. Hardcopy advice letters will be mailed as soon as administrative staff are able to return to California American Water offices.

**RESPONSE OR PROTEST**<sup>1</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>2</sup> are:

1. The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the AL;

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<sup>1</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

<sup>2</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

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.
7. 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](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 day the response or protest is submitted to DWA, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to California American Water at:

**Email Address:**

[ca.rates@amwater.com](mailto:ca.rates@amwater.com)

**Mailing Address:**

4701 Beloit Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95838

[sarah.leeper@amwater.com](mailto:sarah.leeper@amwater.com)

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San Francisco, CA 94111

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4701 Beloit Drive  
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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.

**REPLIES**<sup>3</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/ Kamilah Jones*

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Senior Financial Analyst, Rates and Regulatory

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<sup>3</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT  
Summary Table

Sheet 2

Reference	Account	Tariff
AG	School Lead Testing Memorandum Account (SLTMA)	9667-W
AH	The Memorandum Account for Environmental Improvement and Compliance Issues for Acquisitions	9668-W
AI	Dunnigan Consulting Memorandum Account	9669-W
AJ	Water-Energy Nexus Program Memorandum Account (WENMA)	9670-W
AK	Special Facilities Fee Memorandum Account	9671-W
AL	Monterey Service Area Pre-2015 Residential Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Modified Cost Balancing Account ("WRAM/MCBA") Under-collection/recovery Balancing Account	9673-W
AM	Monterey Service Area Pre-2015 Non-Residential Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Modified Cost Balancing Account ("WRAM/MCBA") Under-collection/recovery Balancing Account	9674-W
AN	Public Safety Power Shut-Off Memorandum Account (PSPSMA)	9675-W, 9676-W
AO	General Rate Case Interim Rate True-up Memorandum Account	9677-W
AP	Central Division Leak Adjustment Balancing Account	9678-W
AQ	Two-Way Tax Accounting Memorandum Account (TMA)	9679-W
AR	Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Memorandum Account (SGMA)	9680-W
AS	Group Insurance Balancing Account (GIBA)	9681-W
AT	Rio Plaza Groundwater Management Memorandum Account	9682-W
AU	Rio Plaza Transaction Memorandum Account	9683-W
AV	MPSWP Phase 1 Project Cost Memorandum Account (PCMA)	9684-W
AW	MPSWP Operations and Maintenance Memorandum Account (MOMMA)	9685-W
AX	Meadowbrook CIAC Regulatory Asset	9686-W
AY	All District Conservation Rationing Memorandum Account	9687-W
AZ	Monterey Wastewater Purchased Power Balancing Account	9688-W
BA	Sand City Desalination Plant Purchased Water Balancing Account (SCDPPWBA)	9689-W
BC	Fruitridge Vista Meter Installation Memorandum Account (FVMIMA)	9691-W
BD	Fruitridge Vista Transaction Memorandum Account (FVTMA)	9692-W
BE	Sacramento Service Area Voluntary Conservation or Mandatory Rationing Memorandum Account (VCMRMA)	9693-W
BF	Hillview Service Area Memorandum & Balancing Accounts	9758-W
BG	Hillview Memorandum Account for Deferred Income Taxes (HMADIT)	9759-W

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

Sheet 6

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued):**  
**Fees and Surcharges**

**SACRAMENTO AND MEADOWBROOK TARIFF AREAS**

3. Per Advice Letter 1324, the under-collected balance in the Sacramento and Meadowbrook Service Area Consolidated Expense Balancing Account (CEBA) will be recovered through a quantity-based surcharge of \$0.0199 per 100 gallons over 12 months effective, February 23, 2021. The total amount will be recovered from all classes of customers. (C)  
(C)
4. Per D.18-12-021 a meter based bill credit for the Excess Non-Plant Accumulated Deferred Income Tax will be refunded to customers over the 24-month period beginning October 17, 2019. (C)

Meter Size	Refunds by Meter Equivalentents
5/8 x 3/4	\$1.51
3/4	\$2.27
1	\$3.78
1 1/2	\$7.55
2	\$12.08
3	\$22.65
4	\$37.76
6	\$75.51
8	\$120.82
10	\$173.68

5. Per Advice Letter 1270-B, the balance accrued in the Sacramento Districts Chromium-6 Memorandum Account will be recovered through a quantity-based surcharge of \$0.0097 per 100 gallons for a 12-month period. The effective date for the surcharge is January 1, 2020.
6. Per D.18-12-021 a meter-based bill credit for the Excess Plant Related Accumulated Deferred Income Tax will be refunded to customers over the 12-month period beginning January 21, 2020.

Meter Size	Refunds by Meter Equivalentents
5/8 x 3/4	\$0.22
3/4	\$0.32
1	\$0.54
1 1/2	\$1.08
2	\$1.72
3	\$3.23
4	\$5.39
6	\$10.78
8	\$17.25
10	\$24.80
12	\$35.58

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**C.P.U.C. SHEET NO.**

**Monterey County District**

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

MO-1-SF	General Metered Service	9895-W, 9896-W, 9769-W, 9770-W, 9866-W, 9933-W,
	Single Family Residential Customers	9773-W, 9820-W, 9612-W, 9850-W, 9922-W
MO-1-MF	General Metered Service	9897-W, 9898-W, 9777-W, 9778-W, 9867-W, 9934-W,
	Multi-Residential Customers	9781-W, 9821-W, 9613-W, 9851-W, 9923-W
MO-1C	General Metered Service	9899-W, 9784-W, 9785-W, 9786-W, 9787-W, 9788-W,
	Non-Residential Customers	9868-W, 9935-W, 9822-W, 9614-W, 9852-W, 9924-W
MO-1O	General Metered Service	9900-W, 9901-W, 9794-W, 9795-W, 9869-W, 9936-W,
	Other Customers	9823-W, 9615-W, 9853-W, 9925-W

**Central Satellite**

CEN-1	General Metered Service	9902-W, 9903-W, 9870-W, 9937-W, 9824-W, 9804-W
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**Northern District**

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**San Diego County District**

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**Ventura County District**

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Hillview Service Area	9557-W
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