

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMISSION ADVISORY & COMPLIANCE DIVISION
Water Utilities Branch

RESOLUTION NO. W-3728
December 16, 1992

RESOLUTION

(RES. W-3728), GRAEAGLE WATER COMPANY (GRAEAGLE). ORDER
AUTHORIZING A ONE-TIME SURCHARGE PRODUCING ADDITIONAL
ANNUAL REVENUE OF \$3,300 OR 1.45% FOR 1992.

ADVICE LETTER #28, FILED OCTOBER 16, 1992.

BACKGROUND

Graeagle has requested authority under Section VI of General Order 96-A and Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code to impose a one-time charge of \$4.58 per customer to recover the Department of Health Services (DHS) fee for fiscal year July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992. Graeagle serves 717 flat rate and 3 metered rate customers in the unincorporated community of Graeagle and vicinity, located approximately twelve miles southwest of the City of Portola, Plumas County.

The present rates became effective on March 1, 1991, pursuant to Resolution No. W-3546, which authorized a \$50,389 or 25.59% increase over three years.

DISCUSSION

Resolution W-3641, dated May 8, 1992, authorized each water utility regulated by the Commission and subject to the provisions of Health and Safety Code Sections 4020 and 4020.5 to establish a memorandum account in which to record payment of DHS' Office of Drinking Water fees resulting from those code sections. Subject utilities were also authorized to request recovery of the account balance by advice letter filing in accordance with General Order No. 96-A.

The surcharge requested herein would allow Graeagle to recover the memorandum account balance established on the basis of receipt of the DHS bill for fiscal year July 1, 1991 - June 30, 1992. The DHS fee would be paid from the funds collected from Graeagle's customers as provided in W-3641.

The Branch recommends that Graeagle be authorized to assess a one-time surcharge of \$4.58 to each customer to recover the \$3,300 balance in the memorandum account accruing the billed DHS fee. Revenue received from such surcharge should be limited to the initial amount billed to Graeagle by DHS. The Branch further recommends that Graeagle be authorized to hold open such memorandum account until Graeagle's next general rate proceeding.

Service is satisfactory. There are no Commission orders requiring system improvement, nor are there service problems requiring corrective action.

PROTESTS

Graeagle published a notice of this increase request in a local paper on October 7, 1992. No protests have been received.

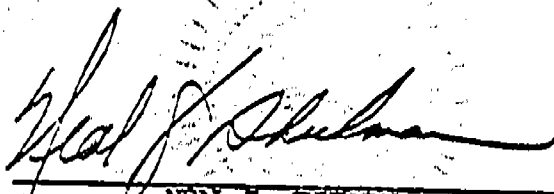
FINDINGS

THE COMMISSION FINDS, after investigation by the Branch, that recovery of the memorandum account balance authorized herein is justified, and the resulting one-time charge of \$4.58 is just and reasonable.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Graeagle Water Company is authorized, on the effective date herein, to make effective revised Schedule No. 1, General Metered Service, Schedule No. 2, General Flat Rate Service, and Schedule No. 2S, Seasonal Flat Rate Service, attached to this resolution and to cancel the presently effective Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 2S. The effective date of the revised rate schedules shall be five days after the date of this resolution.
2. The memorandum account as authorized above may remain open until Graeagle Water Company's next general rate proceeding.
3. This resolution is effective today.

I certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on December 16, 1992. The following Commissioners approved it:


NEAL J. SHULMAN
Executive Director

DANIEL Wm. FESSLER
President
JOHN B. OHANIAN
PATRICIA M. ECKERT
NORMAN D. SHUMWAY
Commissioners

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GRAEAGLE WATER CO.

Schedule No. 1

GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water furnished.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated community of Graeagle, and vicinity located approximately 12 miles southwest of the city of Portola, Plumas County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:	Per Meter Per Month
For all water delivered, per 100 cu.	\$ 0.80

Service Charge:

For 5/8 X 3/4-inch meter	\$11.63
For 3/4-inch meter	12.79
For 1-inch meter	17.44
For 1-1/2-inch meter	23.25
For 2-inch meter	31.33
For 3-inch meter	58.06
For 4-inch meter	78.93

The service charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all metered service and to which is added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The established billing cycle for service is every two months.
2. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, all bills are subject to a one-time surcharge of \$4.58. This charge offsets the Department of Health Services fee as billed to Graeagle Water Company for fiscal year July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992.
3. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

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GRAEAGLE WATER COMPANY

Schedule No. 2

GENERAL FLAT RATE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all flat rate water furnished on an annual basis.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated community of Graeagle, and vicinity located approximately 12 miles southwest of the city of Portola, Plumas County.

RATES

	<u>Per Service</u> <u>Per Year</u>
1. For a single-family residence, business establishment, or manager's quarters of a motel, or trailer park, including premises	\$ 279.00
2. For additional buildings on the same premises and served from the same service connection:	
(1) each residence, cabin, or trailer with housekeeping accommodations	116.74
(2) each hotel or motel room with bathroom facilities only	58.74

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The foregoing flat rates apply to service connections not larger than 3/4 inch in diameter.
2. The established billing cycle for service is every two months.
3. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, all bills are subject to a one-time surcharge of \$4.58. This charge offsets the Department of Health Services fee as billed to Graeagle Water Company for fiscal year July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992.
4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

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Schedule No. 28

SEASONAL FLAT RATE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all flat rate water furnished on an annual basis.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated community of Graeagle, and vicinity located approximately 12 miles southwest of the city of Portola, Plumas County.

RATES

	<u>Per Service Per Year</u>
1. For a single-family residence, business establishment, or manager's quarters of a motel, or trailer park, including premises	\$ 232.50
2. For additional buildings on the same premises and served from the same service connection:	
(1) each residence, cabin, or trailer with housekeeping accommodations	97.28
(2) each hotel or motel room with bathroom facilities only.	48.95
(3) each trailer facility with partial plumbing	34.26
3. Feather River Park Golf Course	3875.21

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The foregoing flat rates apply to service connections not larger than 3/4-inch in diameter.
2. The established billing cycle for service is every two months.
3. The seasonal service charge applies to service during the 8-month period commencing March 16 and ending November 15.
4. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, all bills are subject to a one-time surcharge of \$4.58. This charge offsets the Department of Health Services fee as billed to Graeagle Water Company for fiscal year July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992.
4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

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