

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS**

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: Spreckels Water Company

Date Mailed to Service List: 03/07/2019

CPUC Utility #: WTD 215

Protest Deadline (20th Day): 03/27/2019

Advice Letter #: 25

Review Deadline (30th Day): 04/08/2019

Tier 1 2 3 Compliance

Requested Effective Date: 04/01/2019

Authorization Pub. Util. Code § 431; G.O. 96-B

Rate Impact: 0%

Description: Implementation of change to level of Public Utilities Commission Utilities Reimbursement Account User Fee.

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: Kerry L. Varney

Utility Contact 2: Ronald Liebert

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DWA USE ONLY

DATE

STAFF

COMMENTS

APPROVED

WITHDRAWN

REJECTED

Signature: _____

Comments: _____

Date: _____



March 7, 2019

**Advice Letter #25
(WTD 215-W)**

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California
Division of Water and Audits
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

Subject: Spreckels Water Company (U-215-W), a Class D Water Company, Submission of Advice Letter 25 to implement Resolution M-4839.

PURPOSE

Spreckels Water Company (WTD 215-W) (Spreckels) hereby submits this **Tier 1** Advice Letter (AL), with a requested effective date of April 1, 2019. The purpose of this AL filing is to revise Schedule No. UF, “Surcharge to Fund Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee,” to reflect the revised, lower fee for Water and Sewer System Corporations as authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Resolution M-4839.

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Schedule No. UF, Surcharge to Fund Public Utilities

Commission Reimbursement Fee

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BACKGROUND

Public Utilities Code section 431 requires that the Commission annually determine a fee, to be paid by every electric, gas, telephone, water, sewer system and heat corporation subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission, that is remitted to the Commission to fund costs of regulation.

Commission Resolution M-4839, dated January 10, 2019, establishes a revised, lower 1.23% fee for Water and Sewer System Corporations and authorizes Spreckels to collect the 1.23% surcharge from its customers, effective April 1, 2019.

TIER DESIGNATION AND REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE

This is a Tier 1 AL filed for the sole purpose of compliance with Resolution M-4839. Pursuant to Resolution M-4839, Spreckels requests an effective date of April 1, 2019.

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

NOTICE

Not applicable. This is a Tier 1 AL, filed pursuant to General Order 96-B and Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(3) and so does not require notice to customers under General Rule 4.2.

PROTESTS and RESPONSES

Anyone may respond to or protest this AL. A response does not oppose the filing but presents information that may prove 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 may include the following:

- (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;
- (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.

A response or protest 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

On the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail to us, addressed to:

Kerry L. Varney
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Spreckels Water Company
P.O. Box 4070
Salinas, CA 93912
Kerry@taproduce.com

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 on which the Board may vote on the proposed protest.

The AL process does not provide for any responses, protests or comments, except for the utility's reply, after the 20-day comment period.

REPLIES

The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Any reply must be received by the Water Division 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.

If you have not received a reply to your protest from the utility within 10 business days, contact Kerry L. Varney at 831-455-4005.

Spreckels Water Company

/s/ Kerry Varney

By: Kerry L. Varney
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
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Attachments

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(To be inserted by utility)
 Advice Letter No. 25

Issued by
Kerry Varney
 Name

(To be inserted by CPUC)
 Date Filed _____

Decision No. _____

Vice-President
 Title

Effective _____

Resolution No. M-4839

Schedule No. UF

SURCHARGE TO FUND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
REIMBURSEMENT FEE

APPLICABILITY

This surcharge applies to all water and sewer bills rendered under all tariff rate schedules authorized by the Commission, with the exception of resale rate schedules where the customer is a public utility.

TERRITORY

This schedule is applicable within the entire territory served by the utility.

RATES

A 1.23% surcharge shall be added to all customers bills. (R)

In 1982 the Legislature established a Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee to be paid by utilities to fund their regulation by the Commission, (Public Utilities (PU) Code Section 401-443). The surcharge to recover the cost of that fee is ordered by the Commission under authority granted by the PU Code Section 433.

(To be inserted by utility)

Advice Letter No. 25

Issued by

Kerry Varney

Name

Vice-President

Title

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Date Filed _____

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of “Spreckels Water Company (U-215-W), a Class D Water Company, Submission of Advice Letter 25 to implement Resolution M-4839” on the following parties by email, overnight mail, or first-class US mail with postage prepaid, as specified below.

Executed on March 7, 2019 at Sacramento, California

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Eric Janssen', written over a horizontal line.

Eric Janssen

Spreckels Water Company Advice Letter # 25
Service List
March 7, 2019

Overnight Mail Recipients:

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Division of Water and Audits
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San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

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