

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

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: CA Utilities (SWR) **Date Mailed to Service List:** 04/5/19
District: n/a
CPUC Utility #: SWR 418 **Protest Deadline (20th Day):** 04/25/19
Advice Letter #: 72 **Review Deadline (30th Day):** 05/5/19
Tier 1 2 3 Compliance **Requested Effective Date:** 04/25/19
Authorization PU Code 792.5 & GO96-B **Rate Impact:** \$119,938
6.62%
Description: Purchased Power Balancing Account
Amortization of \$119,938 or 6.62%.

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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DATE

STAFF

COMMENTS

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REJECTED

Signature: _____

Comments: _____

Date: _____

CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC.

A California Corporation

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April 5, 2019

ADVICE LETTER NO. 72

CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC (U 418-S)

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California Utilities Service, Inc. (CUS) hereby transmits for filing four copies each of the following tariff schedules, which are attached hereto:

<u>CPUC SHEET NO.</u>	<u>TITLE OF SHEET</u>	<u>CANCELING CPUC SHEET NO.</u>
357-SS	Schedule No. 1, General Flat Rate Service	--
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The present rates of California Utilities Service, Inc. (CUS) became effective on April 24, 2018, pursuant to Advice Letter No. 64, which adopted a CPI-U offset of \$36,332. The last general rate increase became effective on August 18, 2010 pursuant to Resolution No.W-4837, which authorized a general rate increase of \$723,777 or 88.4%, and a return based on a rate of margin of 21.7%.

Through this Tier 1 Advice Letter, CUS requests Commission authorization to amortize CUS's Purchased Power Balancing Account (PPBA), as authorized by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code and G.O. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(1) and 8.5. This PPBA amortization is to recover the difference in the purchased power expense approved in Res. W-4837 and the amounts actually paid by CUS for power. The requested PPBA recovery is in the form of a flat rate surcharge of \$105.30 per EDU which will result in an annual increase of \$119,938 or 6.62%. In accordance with CPUC Division of Water and Audits Standard Practice U-27-W paragraph 64.b., CUS is requesting an amortization period of 24 months resulting in a monthly surcharge of \$4.39 per EDU per month.

This filing is made under the provisions of General Order No. 96-B.

This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

Requested Effective Date

This filing is a Tier 1 Advice Letter and may be effective the day it is filed, therefore, CUS respectfully requests that the effective date of this increase be April 25, 2019.

Notice

In compliance with Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B, a copy of this advice letter has been mailed to all parties listed on the enclosed service list. In conformance with Resolution W-4664, Ordering Paragraph 3, California Utilities Service, Inc. will provide notice to its customers of the increase in dollar and percentage terms with the first bill that includes the increase.

Protests and Responses:

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the advice letter. A protest objects to the advice letter in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds are:

- (1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter;
- (2) The relief requested in the advice letter 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 advice letter contain material error or omissions;
- (4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- (5) The relief requested in the advice letter requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the advice letter process; or
- (6) The relief requested in the advice letter 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 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 or e-mail to us, addressed to:

California Utilities Service, Inc.
249 Williams Road
Salinas, CA 93905
Fax: (831) 424-0611

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: The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Each reply must be received by the Division of Water and Audits within five business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day to the person who filed the protest or response.

California Utilities Service, Inc.

By: /s/ Thomas R. Adcock
Thomas R. Adcock
President

Attachments

Schedule No. 1
(continued)
GENERAL FLAT RATE SERVICE

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (continued):

15. As authorized by the Commission, pursuant to PU Code Section 792.5 and GO 96-B Water Industry Rules 7.3.1(1) and 8.5, beginning April 25, 2019, and continuing for 24 months, there will be a Purchased Power Balancing Account (PPBA) surcharge in the amount of \$4.39 per EDU per month, except the Toro Park School's surcharge will be \$62.69 per month and the Corral de Tierra Country Club's surcharge will be \$42.58 per month. The purpose of this surcharge is to recover the recorded PPBA under-collections for the years 2010-2018. As required by Section 792.5 of the PU Code, the associated surcharge collections are being tracked in CUS's Purchased Power Balancing Account.

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(To be inserted by Utility)
Advice Letter No. 72

Decision No. _____

Issued by
Thomas R. Adcock
NAME
President
TITLE

(To be inserted by Cal. P.U.C.)
Date Filed _____

Effective _____

Resolution No. _____

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via first class United States mail and via E-mail of the following document, California Utilities Service, Inc. Advice Letter No. 72, upon the California Public Utilities Commission as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party. Additionally, I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via United States mail of the following document, California Utilities Service, Inc. Advice Letter No. 72, upon all additional parties as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party.

Executed in Salinas, California, on the 5th day of April 2019.

/s/ Andrea Schmitz
Andrea Schmitz, Executive Assistant

CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC.
ADVICE LETTER NO. 72
SERVICE LIST
(AS PER SECTION 7.2 OF GENERAL ORDER NO. 96-B)LIST

Via First Class United States Mail and Via
E-mail:

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California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

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California-American Water Company
4701 Beloit Drive
Sacramento, CA 95838-2434

County Clerk
County Administrative Office
168 West Alisal Street, 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901