

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

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: Fulton Water Company, Inc. **Date Mailed to Service List:** 7/06/20
District:
CPUC Utility #: WTC - 88 **Protest Deadline (20th Day):** 7/26/20
Advice Letter #: 76 **Review Deadline (30th Day):** 8/05/20
Tier 1 2 3 Compliance **Requested Effective Date:** 7/06/20
Authorization D. 92-03-093 et al **Rate Impact:** \$18,580
Description: Request a CPI rate increase of 2.3% 2.3%

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: Craig Fox
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Utility Contact: Marino Rodriguez
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DATE

STAFF

COMMENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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Signature: _____

Comments: _____

Date: _____

FULTON WATER COMPANY, INC.
Placer County

July 6, 2020

ADVICE LETTER No. 76

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FULTON WATER COMPANY, INC. (FWC) hereby transmits for filing one original and one copy of the following tariffs schedules which are attached hereto:

<u>CPUC SHEET No.</u>	<u>TITLE OF SHEET</u>	<u>CANCELING CPUC SHEET No.</u>
458-W	Schedule No. 1A, Annual General Metered Service	432-W
459-W	Schedule No. 2RA, Annual Residential Flat Rate Service	433-W
460-W	Schedule No. 4, Private Fire Protection Service	434-W
461-W	Schedule No. F, Facilities Fees	435-W
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The present rates of FWC became effective on May 28, 2019, through Advice Letter No. 74, which authorized a CPI increase of \$15,063 or 1.9%.

These tariffs are submitted pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 1 of Decision No. 92-03-093, dated March 31, 1992, Ordering Paragraph No. 2 of Resolution (Res) W-4493, dated September 2, 2004, or Ordering Paragraph No. 1 of Res. W-4540, dated June 16, 2005. The decision and Resolutions authorize Class B, C and D water utilities and sewer utilities to file a request for a Consumer Price Index increase once a year by Advice Letter. The increased cost is to be passed on to the utility's customers in their quantity rate as well as service charge rates. The above referenced decisions and resolutions authorize FWC to file the attached rate schedules and to concurrently withdraw and cancel its present schedules for such service.

Fulton Water Company, Inc., respectfully requests permission to increase the present monthly quantity and service charge rates by \$18,580 or 2.3% for year 2019. Work papers justifying this rate increase have been provided to the CPUC Division of Water and Audits staff.

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

Notice

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

Requested Effective Date

This filing is a Tier 1 advice letter and may be effective the date of filing. Therefore FWC respectfully requests that the effective date of this advice letter be July 06, 2020.

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

Response or Protest

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
E-Mail: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

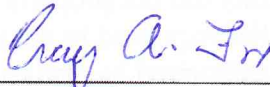
On the same day the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail or e-mail to us, addressed to:

Fulton Water Company, Inc.
P.O. Box 1709
Carnelian Bay, CA 96140
Fax No. (530) 583-9102

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.

Fulton Water Company, Inc.

By 
Craig A. Fox
President

Attachments

SCHEDULE NO. 1A

ANNUAL GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service furnished on an annual basis.

TERRITORY

An area located approximately one mile southeast of Carnelian Bay, Lake Tahoe, Placer County.

RATES

Quantity Rate:

All water, per 100 cu. ft. \$ 1.912 (I)

Annual Service Charge:

For 5/8 x 3/4 inch meter	\$ 304.56	(I)
For 3/4 inch meter	\$ 456.82	
For 1 inch meter	\$ 761.36	
For 1-1/2 inch meter	\$ 1,522.69	
For 2 inch meter	\$ 2,436.36	
For 3 inch meter	\$ 4,568.12	
For 4 inch meter	\$ 7,613.58	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is to be added the monthly charge computed at the Quantity Rate.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The annual service charge applies to service during the 12-month period commencing January 1 and is due in advance. If a resident of the area has been a customer of the utility for at least 12 months, he may elect, at the beginning of the calendar year, to pay prorated service charges in advance at intervals of less than one year in accordance with the utility's established billing period for water used.
2. The charge for water used may be billed monthly, bi-monthly, or quarterly, at the option of the utility.
3. The opening bill for metered service, except upon conversion from flat rate service, shall be the established annual service charge for the service. Where initial service is established after the first day of any year, the portion of such annual charge applicable to the current year shall be determined by multiplying the annual charge by one three-hundred-sixty fifth (1/365) of the number of days remaining in the year. The balance of the payment of the initial annual charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period in which service is taken. If service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charges shall be due the customer.
4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

(To be inserted by utility)

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Schedule No. 2RA
ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL FLAT RATE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

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

TERRITORY

An area located approximately one mile southwest of Carnelian Bay, Lake Tahoe, Placer County.

Rates

	<u>Per Service Connection</u>	
	<u>Per Year</u>	
For a single-family residential unit, including premises:		
Served through a 3/4 inch service	\$ 902.95	(I)
1 inch service	\$ 1,507.89	(I)
1-1/2 inch service	\$ 3,006.73	(I)
For each additional single-family residential unit on the same premises and served from the same connection	\$ 632.06	(I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. For service covered by the above classification, if the utility so elects, a meter shall be installed and service provided under Schedule No 1A, Annual General Service, effective as of the first day of the following calendar month. Where the flat rate charge for a period has been paid in advance, refund of the prorated difference between such flat rate payment and the metered service charge for the same period shall be made on or before that day.
2. The annual flat rate charge applies to service during the 12 month period commencing January 1 and is due in advance. If a permanent resident of the area has been a customer of the utility for at least 12 months, he may elect, at the beginning of the calendar year, to pay prorated flat rate charges in advance at intervals of less than one year (monthly, by-monthly, or quarterly), in accordance with the utility's established billing periods. A non-permanent resident may elect to pay the annual charge in two equal installments. Where such a resident has failed to pay the first half of the annual charge due January 1, service will not be restored until the total annual charge has been paid.
3. The opening bill for flat rate service shall be the established annual flat rate charge for the service. Where initial service is established after the first day of any year, the portion of such annual charge applicable to the current year shall be determined by multiplying the annual charge by one-three hundred-sixty-fifth (1/365) of the number of days remaining in the year. The balance of the payment of the initial annual charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period in which service is taken. If service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charges shall be due the customer.
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SCHEDULE No. 4

Service to Privately Owned Fire Protection Systems

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water service furnished for privately owned fire protection systems.

TERRITORY

An area located approximately one mile southeast of Carnelian Bay, Lake Tahoe, Placer County.

RATES

	Per Service Per Year	
For each inch of diameter of service connection	\$ 193.61	(I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. For water delivered for other than fire protection purposes, charges shall be made under Schedule No. 1A, Annual General Metered Service or Schedule No. 2RA, Annual Residential Flat rate Service.
2. The Utility undertakes to supply only such water at such pressure as may be available from time to time as a result of normal operation of Utility's system. Section 774 of the Public Utilities Code limits the liability of the Utility resulting from a claim regarding the provision or maintenance of an adequate water supply, water pressure, equipment or other fire protection facility or service. This limit of liability includes but is not limited to the construction and repair of fire protection facilities. Acceptance of service under this tariff is acknowledgement of notice of the provisions of Section 774 of the Public Utilities Code.
3. Service hereunder is for private fire protection systems to which no connections for other than fire protection purposes are allowed and which are regularly inspected by underwriters having jurisdiction, are installed according to specifications of the Utility and are maintained to the satisfaction of the Utility. The Utility may require the installation of a detector check valve with meter for protection against theft, leakage or waste of water and these costs will be paid by the applicant. These costs shall not be subject to refund.
4. Maintenance will be the responsibility of the customer of record at his cost.

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SCHEDULE No. F

Facilities Fees

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water customers applying for service from the Utility in the territory served for premises not previously connected to its distribution mains and for additional service connections to existing premises.

TERRITORY

An area located approximately one mile southeast of Carnelian Bay, Lake Tahoe, Placer County.

RATES

For each new service connection or additional service connections to existing premises: \$5,433 (I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Facilities fees are payable in addition to and do not limit any charges for extensions of mains that may be applicable under Rule 15, Main Extensions.
2. These fees are not subject to the Public Utility Commission Reimbursement Fee surcharge in Schedule UF.
3. These fees shall be used only for the repair and replacement or the installation of new infrastructure.
4. These fees shall be deposited within five days of receipt in a separate bank account paying interest.
5. The plant constructed with facilities fees shall be removed from rate base for rate-making purposes.

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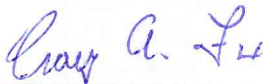
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Fulton Water Company, Inc
P.O. Box 1709
Carnelian Bay, CA 96140

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via first class U.S. Mail and E-mail of the following document, Fulton Water Company, Inc., Advice Letter No. 76, 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 first class United States mail of the following document, Fulton Water Company, Inc., Advice Letter No. 76, without attachments, upon all additional parties of record as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party.

Executed in Carnelian Bay, California, on the 6th day of July, 2020.



Craig A. Fox
President

Fulton Water Company, Inc

P.O. Box 1709

Carnelian Bay, CA 96140

FULTON WATER COMPANY, INC.

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SERVICE LIST

(AS PER SECTION 4.3 OF GENERAL ORDER No. 96-B)

Via First Class U.S. Mail and E-mail

Rami Khalon, Director

Division of Water and Audits

California Public Utilities Commission

505 Van Ness Avenue

San Francisco, CA 94102

Without Attachments

Via First Class U.S. Mail

Agate Bay Water

P.O. Box 444

Carnelian Bay, CA 96140

North Tahoe Public Utilities District

P.O. Box 139

Tahoe Vista, CA 96148

Tahoe City Public Utilities District

P.O. Box 5249

Tahoe City, CA 96145

FULTON WATER COMPANY, INC.

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Summary of Earnings

Year 2019

	CPI Increase 2009	Res. No. W-4846	CPI Increase 2011	CPI Increase 2012	CPI Increase 2013	CPI Increase 2014	CPI Increase 2015	CPI Increase 2016	CPI Increase 2017	CPI Increase 2018	Total Adopted Rates	Actual 2019	CPI Increase at 2.3%	After CPI Increased Revenue
Operating Revenue														
Water Revenue	624,804	17,163	61,397	21,101	12,316	11,052	5,983	5,277	15,941	16,276	15,035	848,936	18,546	867,482
Fire Protection Revenue	1,272	34	0	39	23	21	11	10	30	30	28	1,498	34	9,445
Other Water Revenue	0	0	151	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	0	115
Total	626,076	17,197	61,548	21,140	12,339	11,073	5,994	5,287	15,971	16,306	15,063	858,462	18,580	877,042
Operating Expenses														
Purchased Power	75,768											53,461		53,461
Other Volume Related Expenses	3,860											5,907		5,907
Employee Labor	24,120											114,187		114,187
Materials	11,460											6,999		6,999
Contract Work	20,890											19,920		19,920
Transportation Expense	4,730											18,788		18,788
Other Plant Maintenance Expenses	6,730											16,040		16,040
Office Salaries	32,500											0		0
Management Salaries	61,200											134,200		134,200
Employee Pensions and Benefits	26,170											37,977		37,977
Uncollectibles Expense	0											0		0
Office Services and Rentals	18,000											24,000		24,000
Office Supplies and Expenses	4,100											25,812		25,812
Professional Services	5,260											32,482		32,482
Insurance	12,914											21,344		21,344
Regulatory Commission Expense	4,470											1,110		1,110
General Expense	1,838											9,482		9,482
Depreciation	67,698		7,768									101,558		101,558
Taxes Other Than Income Taxes	31,200		2,420									41,565		41,565
Income Taxes	67,276		23,122									62,061		62,061
Total Operating Expenses	480,184	0	33,310	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	513,494	0	726,893
Plus Interest Expense:	0		0									0		0
Net Revenue	145,892	17,197	28,238	21,140	12,339	11,073	5,994	5,287	15,971	16,306	15,063	294,500	18,580	313,080
Average Rate Base:														
Water Plant in Service	1,973,559		331,199									2,304,758		4,086,764
Less:														
Accumulated Depreciation	(904,194)		(129,210)									(1,033,404)		(1,868,468)
Advances for Construction	(8,875)		2,875									(6,000)		(51,824)
CIAC	(6,413)		873									(5,540)		(48,408)
Accum. Deferred Income Taxes	0		0									0		(355,155)
Plus:														
Materials	3,800		0									3,800		0
Construction Work in Progress	100,000		(100,000)									0		339,551
Adopted Rate Base Res. W-4846	1,157,877		105,737									1,263,614		2,102,460
Authorized Rate of Return	12.60%											12.60%		7.14%

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Financial Information

Estimated 2020 Annual Revenue

Recorded 2019 Water Revenue	\$ 858,462
Revenue Increase: ($\$807,843 \times 2.3\%$)	18,580
Estimated 2020 Revenue	<u>877,042</u>

Actual Expenses for Calendar Year 2019

(Excluding Other Income and Other Expenses)	<u>\$ 726,893</u>
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Average Rate Base - Year 2019

\$ 2,102,460