

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

**Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

**Utility Name:** [MHC Acquisition One LLC](#)

**Dated Mailed to Service List:** [9/25/2020](#)

**District:** [N/A](#)

**CPUC Utility #:** [WTD-430](#)

**Protest Deadline (20th Day):** [10/15/2020](#)

**Advice Letter #:** [7-W](#)

**Review Deadline (30th Day):** [10/25/2020](#)

**Tier:**  1    2    3    Compliance

**Requested Effective Date:** [10/1/2020](#)

**Authorization:** [Res. M-4841](#)

**Rate Impact:**

**Description:** [UF Surcharge change to 1.43%](#)

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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**DWA USE ONLY**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
_____	_____	_____
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APPROVED

WITHDRAWN

REJECTED

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# MHC ACQUISITION ONE LLC

Santa Cruz County

September 25, 2020

Advice Letter No.: 7-W

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

MHC Acquisition One LLC (WTD-430) hereby transmits for filing one digital copy of this advice letter (AL) and the following tariff sheets which are enclosed:

<u>NEW SHEET #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>CANCELLING SHEET #</u>
75-W	Schedule No. UF, Commission Reimbursement Fee	62-W
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## REQUEST

By AL 7-W, MHC Acquisition One LLC requests permission to replace tariff page W-62 with page W-75 in compliance with Resolution M-4841 dated July 23, 2020 to implement the new fee rate of 1.43%.

## BACKGROUND

Public Utilities Code Section 431:

The commission shall annually determine a fee to be paid by every electrical, gas, telephone, telegraph, water, sewer system, and heat corporation and every other public utility providing service directly to customers and subscribers and subject to the jurisdiction of the commission other than a railroad, except as provided in Article 2 (commencing with Section 421). The annual fee shall be established to produce a total amount equal to that amount established in the authorized Commission budget for the same year, including adjustments for increases in employee compensation, other increases appropriated by the Legislature, and an appropriate reserve to regulate public utilities less the amount to be paid from special accounts or funds pursuant to Section 402, reimbursements, federal funds, and any other revenues, and the amount of unencumbered funds from the preceding year.

Public Utilities Code Section 432:

The Commission shall establish the fee pursuant to Section 431 with the approval of the Department of Finance and in accordance with all of the following:

- a. In its annual budget request, the Commission shall specify both of the following:
  1. The amount of its budget to be financed by the fee
  2. The dollar allocation of the amount of its budget shall be financed by fee by each class of public utility subject to the fee. The fee allocation among classes of public utilities shall reflect expenditures by the Commission on regulatory and other authorized activities affecting each respective class, and shall bear the same ratio that the Commission's workload for each class of public utility subject to the fee bears to the Commission's total workload for all public utilities subject to the fee.

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## **BACKGROUND (continued)**

b. The Commission may establish different and distinct methods of assessing fees for each class of public utility, if the revenues collected are consistent with paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), except that the Commission shall establish a uniform charge per kwh for sales in kwh for the class of electrical corporations and a uniform charge per therm for sales in therms for the class of gas corporations.

## **TIER DESIGNATION AND REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE**

This AL and the enclosed tariff sheets are submitted pursuant to General Order (GO.) 96-B. This advice letter is designated as a Tier 1 filing and the enclosed tariff sheets will become effective October 1, 2020 per Resolution M-4841.

## **NOTICE**

The utility is not required to inform the customers as this filing is in accordance with GO 96-B Section 7.3.7 "Pass-through of additional taxes imposed on utility".

## **RESPONSE OR PROTEST<sup>2</sup>**

Anyone may respond to or protest this AL. 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 are:

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 omission;
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.

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 this AL is filed. The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

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<sup>1</sup> GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.3

<sup>2</sup> GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

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## RESPONSE OR PROTEST (continued)<sup>2</sup>

**Email Address:**

[Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov)

**Mailing Address:**

California Public Utilities Commission  
Water Division, 3rd Floor  
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 the utility at:

**Email Address:**

[Ron Bunce](mailto:Ron_Bunce@equitylifestyle.com)  
[Ron\\_Bunce@equitylifestyle.com](mailto:Ron_Bunce@equitylifestyle.com)

**Mailing Address:**

[MHC Acquisition One LLC](#)  
2 North Riverside Plaza, Ste. 800  
Chicago, IL 60606

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

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.<sup>3</sup>

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

This filing will not cause withdrawal of service or conflict with any other schedule or rule.

MHC Acquisition One, LLC

By: /s/ Ron Bunce

Ron Bunce  
Sr Vice President

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

# MHC ACQUISITION ONE LLC

Santa Cruz County

## SERVICE LIST

City of Santa Cruz  
Water Administration  
212 Locust Street, Suite A  
Sanra Cruz, CA 95060

I hereby certify that the above service list has been served a copy of AL 7-W on September 25, 2020.

Executed in Santa Cruz, California on September 25, 2020.

MHC Acquisition One, LLC

By: /s/ Ron Bunce

Ron Bunce

Sr Vice President

Schedule No. UF  
SURCHARGE TO FUND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION REIMBURSEMENT FEE

APPLICABILITY

This surcharge applies to all water bills rendered under all tariff rate schedules authorized by the Commission

TERRITORY

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

RATES

A 1.43% surcharge shall be added to all customer bills. (1)

\* In 1982 the legislature established the Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee to be paid by all water and sewer corporations to fund their regulation by the Commission, Public Utilities (PU) Code Sections 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.

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*Issued By*

(To be inserted by Cal P.U.C.)

Advice Letter No. 7-W

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Resolution No. M-4841

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