

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

**Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

**Utility Name:** Stone Creek Water Company

**Date Mailed to Service List:** July 13, 2020

**CPUC Utility #:** WTD 427

**Protest Deadline (20<sup>th</sup> Day):** Aug. 2, 2020

**Advice Letter #:** 2-W

**Review Deadline (30<sup>th</sup> Day):** Aug. 12, 2020

**Tier**     1     2     3     Compliance

**Requested Effective Date:** Aug. 13, 2020

**Authorization** GO 96B

**Rate Impact:**

**Description:** Add Memorandum Account descriptions in the Preliminary Statement and establish new user fees

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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**Email 2:**

**DWA Contact:** Tariff Unit

**Phone:** (415) 703-1133

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

**DWA USE ONLY**

DATE

STAFF

COMMENTS

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APPROVED

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

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

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

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# Stone Creek Water Company, Inc.

72810 Ambrosia Street, Palm Desert, CA 92260

Telephone: 760-880-2002

July 13, 2020

Advice Letter No. 2-W

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STONE CREEK Water Company, Inc. (STONE CREEK) hereby transmits for filing one original and one copy of this advice letter and the following tariff sheets which are enclosed:

<u>NEW SHEET #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>CANCELLING SHEET #</u>
82-W	Preliminary Statement	
83-W	Schedule No. UF, Surcharge to Fund Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee	80-W
84-W	Table of Contents	81-W

## REQUEST

By Advice Letter (AL) No. 2-W, STONE CREEK seeks authority to add descriptions to the following memorandum accounts in the Preliminary Statement (The memorandum accounts are listed with the authorizing CPUC Resolution, Decision or Public Utilities Code (PU Code). Additional description can be found in the authorizing document (s)):

### MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS:

1. Unanticipated Repair Cost Memorandum Account (URCMA), D. 92-03-093, dated March 31, 1992
2. Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA), Res. E-3238, dated July 24, 1991 and PU Code 454.9

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Note: Should a disaster or emergency occur, the utility will inform the Water Division of the CPUC, within 30 days after the catastrophic event, that the utility has started booking costs to its CEMA.

3. Infrastructure Act Memorandum Account (IAMA), Decision 06-05-041, dated May 25, 2006 and PU Code 789

Note: This account is established to track gains on real property.

4. Water Contamination Litigation Expense Memorandum Account, Res. W-4094, dated March 26, 1998

STONE CREEK also seeks authority to revise Schedule No. UF, Surcharge to Fund Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee from its tariff book. This is in compliance with Resolution M-4841.

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

This AL and enclosed tariffs are submitted pursuant to Water Industry Rule 7.3.3(5) of General Order (GO.) 96-B and this AL is designated as a Tier 2 filing. This advice letter will become effective upon approval through a Commission Resolution. <sup>1</sup>

## **NOTICE**

A copy of this AL has been served to all parties listed on the service list<sup>2</sup> on the last page of this AL. This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

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<sup>1</sup> GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.2

<sup>2</sup>GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 4.2

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## RESPONSE OR PROTEST<sup>3</sup>

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 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. The WD must receive a response or protest via email (or postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

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<sup>3</sup> GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

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**Mailing Address:**

Tariff Unit  
Water Division, 3rd Floor  
California Public Utilities  
Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

**Email Address:**

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

On the same day the response or protest is submitted to WD, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to STONE CREEK at:

**Mailing Address:**

STONE CREEK Water Company  
Attn: Dr. Leonard Weston  
72810 Ambrosia Street,  
Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Email Address:**

[drlweston@earthlink.net](mailto:drlweston@earthlink.net)

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform WD, 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 WD 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.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup>GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the service list from Advice Letter #2-W has been served a copy of this AL on July 13, 2020.

Executed in Palm Desert, California on July 13, 2020.

STONE CREEK Water  
Company

By: /s/LEONARD WESTON

Leonard Weston

Owner

Enclosures

**PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

(continued)

F. MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS

The company has established the following memorandum accounts. The purpose of these memorandum accounts is to recover costs not anticipated. in rates. The balance in these accounts will be recovered in rates after CPUC review and audit of the reasonableness of the costs recorded therein. The accounts are listed with the authorizing CPUC Resolution, Decision or Public Utilities Code (PU Code). Additional description can be found in the authorizing document (s). (N)

1. Unanticipated Repair Cost Memorandum Account (URCMA), D. 92-03-093, dated March 31, 1992 (N)

2. Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA), Res. E-3238, dated July 24, 1991 and PU Code 454.9 (N)  
Note: Should a disaster or emergency occur, the utility will inform the Water Division of the CPUC, within 30 days after the catastrophic event, that the utility has started booking costs to its CEMA. (N)

3. Infrastructure Act Memorandum Account (IAMA), Decision 06-05-041, dated May 25, 2006 and PU Code 789 (N)  
Note: This account is established to track gains on real property. (N)

4. Water Contamination Litigation Expense Memorandum Account, Res. W-4094, dated March 26, 1998 (N)

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(To be inserted by utility)

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**Schedule No. UF**

**SURCHARGE TO FUND  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
REMINBURSEMENT 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 schedule where the customer is a public utility.

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. (I)

In 1982, the Legislature established the Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee to be paid by utilities to fund their regulation by the Commission (Public Utilities (PU) Code Section 401- 433). 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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