

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. Date Mailed to Service List: May 19, 2020
District: N/A
CPUC Utility #: SWR-280 Protest Deadline (20th Day): June 8, 2020
Advice Letter #: 28-SS Review Deadline (30th Day): June 18, 2020
Tier 1 2 3 Compliance Requested Effective Date: May 19, 2020
Authorization D.92-03-093 Rate Impact: \$2,772
Description: 2019 CPI Adjustment 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.

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Phone: 805-525-4200
Email: Frank.brommen@verizon.net

Utility Contact: Arnold Peterson
Phone: 760-938-3311
Email: rollinggreenutilities@gmail.com

DWA Contact: Tariff Unit
Phone: (415) 703-1133
Email: Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov

DWA USE ONLY

<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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[] APPROVED [] WITHDRAWN [] REJECTED

Signature: _____ Comments: _____
Date: _____

ROLLING GREEN UTILITIES, INC.-SEWER

139 Elmcrest Street, Big Pine, CA 93513, 760-938-3311, rollinggreenutilities@gmail.com

May 19, 2020

Advice Letter No. 28-SS

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. -Sewer (Rolling Green) hereby transmits for filing one original and one copy of this advice letter 28-SS and the following tariff sheets which are enclosed:

<u>NEW SHEET #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>CANCELLING SHEET #</u>
173-SS	Schedule No. 1	171-SS
174-SS	Table of Contents	172-SS

REQUEST

By AL 28-SS, Rolling Green requests permission to increase its revenues (based on increase to the present monthly rate) by 2.3%, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for 2019. The projected revenue increase of \$2,772 will not result in a rate of margin which exceeds the authorized rate of margin of 20.0%. Workpapers justifying this increase are enclosed.

BACKGROUND

The present rates became effective on May 7, 2019, pursuant to Resolution W-4540, which authorized an offset (CPI) rate increase of \$2,247, or 1.9%

The last general rate increase became effective on April 28, 2008, pursuant to Resolution W-4680, which authorized a general rate increase of \$26,150, or 32.16% and a rate of margin of 20.0%.

AL 28-SS is filed pursuant to Ordering Paragraphs No. 1 of **Decision 92-03-093** and **Resolution W-4493**, which authorize Class C and D water and sewer utilities to file a request for a CPI increase once a year by AL. The increase is to be passed on to the utility's customers in their quantity rate and service charge.

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TIER DESIGNATION AND REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE

This AL and the enclosed tariff sheets are submitted pursuant to General Order (GO.) 96-B. AL 28-SS is designated as a Tier 1 AL and the enclosed tariff sheets will become effective upon filing.¹

NOTICE

This AL does not require notice;² however, the utility shall inform its customers, by bill insert in the first bill that includes the increase, of the amount of the increase expressed in dollar and percentage terms.³ A copy of this AL has been served to all parties listed on the service list⁴ on the last page of this AL. This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

RESPONSE OR PROTEST⁵

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 omissions;
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.

¹ GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1

² GO. 96-B, General Rule 4.2

³ GO. 96-B, General Rule 3.2

⁴ GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 4.1

⁵ GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

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A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest. The Water Division 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:

Email Address:

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 the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to Arnold Peterson at: Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. - Sewer

Email Address:

rollinggreenutilities@gmail.com

Mailing Address:

Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. -Sewer
139 Elmcrest Street
Big Pine, CA 93513

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.⁶

⁶ GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

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SERVICE LIST

- Recipient 1 County of Inyo
PO Box Q
Independence, CA 93526
bharrington@inyocounty.us
- Recipient 2 California American Water
Thomas Brunet
thomas.brunet@amwater.com
- Recipient 3 City of Los Angeles center@ladwp.com
Department of Water & Power
300 Mandich
Bishop, CA 93514

I hereby certify that the above service list has been served a copy of AL 28-SS on May 19, 2020.

Executed in Santa Paula, California on the May 19, 2020.

Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. - Sewer

By: /s/Frank Brommenschenkel
Arnold Peterson
General Manager

Enclosures

Schedule No. 1

GENERAL RESIDENTAL SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all general sewer service.

TERRITORY

Rolling Green Terrace Subdivision (Tracts 1, 2, 3, and 4) near the town of Big Pine, Inyo County.

RATES

Single Family Residence..... \$36.71 (I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
2. A late charge will be imposed per Schedule No. LC.

(To be inserted by utility)

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Advice Letter No. 28-SS

Arnie Peterson

Date Filed _____

Decision No. D.92-03-093

Owner/Manager

Effective _____

Resolution No. W-4493 & W-4540

TABLE OF CONTENTS

The following listed tariff sheets contain all effective rates and rules affecting the charges and service of the utility, together with other pertinent information:

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Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. - Sewer Division

Summary of Earnings

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5/19/2020

Category	Res. W-4680 4/28/2008	Recorded 2019	2019 CPI-U Increase 2.3%	Requested 2020
Revenue				
Sewer Revenue	\$ 107,462	\$ 117,676	\$ 2,772	\$ 120,448
Other sewer revenue				
Total Revenue	\$ 107,462	\$ 117,676	\$ 2,772	\$ 120,448
Expenses				
Power				
Employee Labor	\$ 4,500	\$ 19,466		\$ 19,466
Materials Expense	\$ 6,200	\$ 4,630		\$ 4,630
Contract Work	\$ 500	\$ 23,469		\$ 23,469
Laboratory Costs	\$ 4,000			\$ -
Transportation Expense	\$ 3,592	\$ 8,610		\$ 8,610
Other Plant Maintenance Expenses	\$ 5,800	\$ 16,944		\$ 16,944
Office Salaries	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,705		\$ 7,705
Management Salaries	\$ 22,000	\$ 21,083		\$ 21,083
Employee Pension and Benefits	\$ 5,030	\$ 11,828		\$ 11,828
Office Service and Rentals	\$ 3,485	\$ 15,581		\$ 15,581
Uncollectibles	\$ 414	\$ -		\$ -
Office Supplies and Expenses	\$ 615	\$ 3,132		\$ 3,132
Professional Services	\$ 4,187	\$ 2,957		\$ 2,957
Insurance Expense	\$ 4,796	\$ 16,156		\$ 16,156
Regulatory Commission Expenses	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,453		\$ 1,453
General Expenses	\$ 3,150	\$ 7,278		\$ 7,278
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 76,269	\$ 160,293		\$ 160,293
Depreciation				
	\$ 4,337	\$ 385		\$ 385
Payroll Taxes				
	\$ 2,542	\$ 9,833		\$ 9,833
Property Taxes				
	\$ 713	\$ 1,658		\$ 1,658
Franchise Fee				
	\$ 1,555			
Taxes other than income				
	\$ 4,810	\$ 2,612		\$ 2,612
State Income Tax				
	\$ 1,949	\$ 800		\$ 800
Federal Income Taxes				
	\$ 3,014	\$ 758		\$ 758
Total Deductions	\$ 90,379	\$ 176,338		\$ 176,338
Net Revenue (loss)	\$ 17,083	\$ (58,662)		\$ (55,890)
RATEBASE				
Average Plant	\$ 189,317	\$ 198,312		\$ 198,312
Average Depr. Reserve	\$ 163,491	\$ 161,512		\$ 161,512
Net Plant	\$ 25,826	\$ 36,799		\$ 36,799
Less: Contributions/Advances	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Plus: Working Cash	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Plus: Material & Supplies	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050		\$ 1,050
Rate Base	\$ 26,876	\$ 37,849		\$ 37,849
ROR = Net Rev/Rate Base		-154.99%		-147.67%
Rate of Margin	20.00%	-29.36%		-27.63%

Rolling Green Utilities, Inc. - Sewer
AL 28-SS Summary of Earnings
5/19/2020

Schedule No. 1
General Residential Service

			2.30%
Rates			
Single Family Residential	\$ 35.88	\$ 36.71	