# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

# **Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

Utility Name: Bass Lake Water Company	Dated Mailed to Service List: 8/31/2022
District: N/A	
CPUC Utility #: WTC-190	Protest Deadline (20th Day): 9/20/2022
Advice Letter #: 89	Review Deadline (30th Day): 9/30/2022
Tier: 1 X 2 3 Complian	Requested Effective Date: ASAP
Authorization: Res. M-4698	Rate Impact: None
Description: Water Board Fee Surcharge	
The protest or response deadline for this advice letter is 20 days from the service list. Please see the "Response or Protest" section in the advice l	
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DWA Contact: Tariff Unit  Phone: 415-703-1133	
Email: Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov	ONLY
DATE STAFF	COMMENTS
<u>STALL</u>	COMMENTS
APPROVED WITHDR	_
Signature:	Comments:
Date:	

P.O. Box 113 Bass Lake, CA 93604 Telephone: 559-642-2494

Email: stevew@basslakerealty.com

August 31, 2022

Advice Letter No.: 89

#### TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Bass Lake Water Company (WTC-190) hereby transmits for filing one original and one copy of this advice letter (AL) and the following tariff sheets which are enclosed:

TITLE	CANCELLING SHEET #
Schedule No. 1, Continued	502-W
Schedule No. 2, Continued	503-W
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	Schedule No. 2, Continued

## **REQUEST**

By AL 89, Bass Lake Water Company requests permission to recover a one-time surcharge to recover the State Water Resources Control Board (California Water Boards) Water Systems Annual User Fee for the two years ended 6/30/2022 in accordance with Resolution W-4698 dated July 31, 2008 Ordering Paragraph 2 in the amount of \$13,593.51 or \$13.42 per customer in the next semi-annual billing in December 2022 from 1,013 Bass Lake customers.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The present rates became effective on August 30, 2022 by AL #88. (2021 CPI increase)

The last general rate case became effective on April 24, 2021, pursuant to Resolution W-5235, which authorized a rate base offset rate increase of \$200,807, or 23.35% with an annual rate of return of 8.64%.

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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. This advice letter is designated as a Tier 2 filing and the enclosed tariff sheets will become effective upon filing.<sup>1</sup>

#### **NOTICE**

This AL does not require notice;<sup>2</sup> 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.<sup>3</sup> A copy of this AL has been serviced to all parties listed on the service list<sup>4</sup> on the last page of this AL. This filling will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

# **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:

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

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

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

**Email Address:** 

Mailing Address:

Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov

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 Lawrence Morales at:

**Email Address:** 

Mailing Address:

stevew@basslakerealty.com

Bass Lake Water Company

P.O. Box 113

Bass Lake, CA 93604

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.

Bass Lake Water Company

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Stephen R. Welch

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

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## SERVICE LIST

Broadview Terrace Mutual Water Company P.O. Box 1454 Oakhurst, CA 93644 info@btmwater.com

Yosemite Spring Park Utility Company Attn: Layton Gillette, General Manager laytong@yloa.org

Madera County
Public Works
mcpublicworks@madera-county.com

California American Water <a href="mailto:Thomas.Brunet@amwater.com">Thomas.Brunet@amwater.com</a>

I hereby certify that the above service list has been served a copy of AL 89 on August 31, 2022 September 2, 2022 Executed in Bass Lake, California on August 31, 2022. September 2, 2022.

Bass Lake Water Company

Stephen R. Welch

President

Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. Canceling Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.

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# Schedule No. 1 ANNUAL METERED SERVICE (Continued)

#### 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 permanent resident of the area has been a customer of the utility for atleast 12
	months, he or she may elect, at the beginning of the calendar year, to pay prorated service charges in
	advance at intervals of less than one year (monthly, bimonthly, or quarterly) in accordance with the
	utility's established billing periods. Meters will be read and quantity chages billed monthly, bimonthly,
	or quarterly in accordance with the utility's established billing periods except that meters may be read
	and quantity charges billed during the winter seasons at given intervals greater than three months.

- 2 The opening bill for metered service except upon converstion 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 calendar year. The balance of the payment of the initial annual charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period. If service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charge shall be due the customer.
- 3 As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, all bills are subject to a one-time surcharge of \$13.42. This charge offsets the State Water Resources Control Board Water System Fees as billed to Bass Lake Water Company for the period 7/1/2020 to 6/30/2022.
- 4 All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule UF.

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# Schedule No. 2 ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL FLAT RATE SERVICE (continued)

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)**

- 2 The opening bill for metered service except upon converstion 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 calendar year. The balance of the payment of the initial annual charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period. If service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charge shall be due the customer.
- 3 Meters may be installed at the option of the utility, and customers will be charged at the General Metered Service Rate thereafter.
- 4 As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, all bills are subject to a one-time surcharge of \$13.42. This charge offsets the State Water Resources Control Board Water System Fees as billed to Bass Lake Water Company for the period 7/1/2020 to 6/30/2022.
  - 1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule UF.

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Canceling Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 518-W

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service of the utility, together with other pertinent information.	

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			2020		(PER ANN RPT)		
	ADOPTED	RBO	RBO	ADOPTED	ACTUAL	WATER	AUTHORIZED
CATEGORY	W-4544	W-4741	W-5235	QUANTITIES	2021	SYS FEES	RATES
Operating Revenues:							
Metered	57,815	14,078	20,540	92,433	103,870	_	103,870
Flat	445,874	108,570	179,215	733,659	918,369	_	918,369
Irrigation	443,874	108,370	1,053	1,053	3,080		3,080
	-	_	1,055	1,033	21,055		
Other Water Revenue	-	-		-	21,055	12 502	21,055
Water System Fee Reimbursement	-	-		-	-	13,592	13,592
Total Operating Revenue	503,689	122,648	200,808	827,145	1,046,374	13,592	1,059,966
Operating Expenses:							
Purchased Water	-			-	-	-	-
Power	13,000			13,000	27,797	-	27,797
Other Volume Related Expenses	26,564			26,564	52,290	-	52,290
Employee Labor	129,947			129,947	283,135	-	283,135
Materials	17,900			17,900	18,953	_	18,953
Contract Work	17,890			17,890	56,003	_	56,003
Transportation Expense	9,500			9,500	14,595	_	14,595
Other Plant Maintenance	728			728		_	
Office Salaries	13,200			13,200	_	_	_
Management Salaries	6,646			6,646	41,950		41,950
Employee Pensions & Benefits	18,565			18,565	43,049		43,049
Uncollectible Accounts Expense	450			450	2,086	-	2,086
Office Services & Rentals					,	-	,
	10,800			10,800	17,689	-	17,689
Office Supplies & Expense	6,000			6,000	5,533	-	5,533
Professional Services	1,000			1,000	23,725	-	23,725
Insurance	36,500			36,500	77,890	-	77,890
Regulatory Commission Expense	1,000			1,000	3,905	-	3,905
General Expenses	4,000			4,000	16,645	-	16,645
Expenses Capitalized	-			-	-	-	-
Total Operating Expenses	313,690			313,690	685,245	-	685,245
Other Deductions:							
Depreciation	39,537	17,321	23,098	79,956	97,164	_	97,164
Taxes Other Than Income	22,271	9,757	9,239	41,267	35,810	_	35,810
Bad Debts	22,271	3,737	3,233	41,207	33,610		33,610
Interest expense	_			_			
Non-utility income	-			_			
Non-utility income	-			-		-	
Total Operating Expenses & Other Deductions	375,498	27,078	32,337	434,913	818,219	-	818,219
Net Income Before Taxes	128,191	95,570	168,471	392,232	228,155	-	241,747
State Income Tax	-		17,751	17,751	10,548	-	21,370
Federal Inome Tax	38,071	44,512	38,442	121,025	26,357	-	74,928
Net Revenue	90,120	51,058	112,278	253,456	191,250	-	145,449
Rate Base	657,992	394,993	923,933	1,976,918			2,178,142
Rate of Return (on Rate Base)	13.70%			12.82%			6.68%
Rate of Margin (N/A)							test passed

# BASS LAKE WATER COMPANY ATTACHMENT TO ADVICE LETTER 89 REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST - WATER BOARD FEE AUGUST 31, 2022

FY 2020/2021 CDPH FEE = \$ 6,646.20 FY 2021/2022 CDPH FEE = 8,403.31 2 year total \$ 15,049.51

Commission Authorized CDPH per year = \$ 1,456.00 (\$728.00 per year)

Net to be recovered by surcharge = \$13,593.51

Total active service connections as of 6/30/2022 = 1,013

(From Water Boards invoice)

# **Reimbursement Fee Calcluation**

\$ 13,593.51 Divided by 1,013 customers = \$ 13.42 per customer

One time surcharge \$ 13.42



HERR, DARLENE **BASS LAKE WATER COMPANY** P. O. BOX 113 BAS LAKE, CA 93604

Date:

12/18/2020

System Type: Community Water System

System No.:

2010003

Invoice No.:

LW-1029041

## **Water System Annual Fees Invoice** Billing Period 07/01/2020 - 06/30/2021



\$7,298.12

Payment must be received within 90 days from the date of this invoice, or a 10% penalty will be assessed pursuant to section 116565 of the Health & Safety Code.

LINE ITEMS		Connections	FEES
CONNECTIONS 0-1,000 (\$6.6 per connection, \$275 m CONNECTIONS 1,001 - 5,000 (\$3.85 per connection) CONNECTIONS 5,001 - 15,000 (\$2.2 per connection) CONNECTIONS 15,001+ (\$1.49 per connection) Late Fee (10% penalty if postmarked after 03/18/202)	+3 =	1,000	\$6,600.00 \$34.65 <b>46.20</b> \$0.00 \$0.00 \$663.47
	AMOUNT PAID:	6646.20	\$0.00
	AMOUNT DUE: (if postmarked before	03/18/2021):	¢6 63 <i>4</i> 65

AMOUNT DUE: (if postmarked after 03/18/2021):

You may submit payment via check, money order, credit card, or EFT. Payment information available on our website at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/make\_a\_payment/



HERR, DARLENE BASS LAKE WATER COMPANY P. O. BOX 113 BAS LAKE, CA 93604

Date:

12/22/2021

System Type: Community Water System

System No.: 2010003

Invoice No.: LW-1034574

# **Water System Annual Fees Invoice** Billing Period 07/01/2021 - 06/30/2022

Payment must be received within 90 days from the date of this invoice, or a 10% penalty will be assessed pursuant to section 116565 of the Health & Safety Code.

LINE ITEMS		Connections '	FEES
CONNECTIONS 0-1,000 (\$8.34 per connection	n, \$500 minimum)	1,000	\$8,340.00
CONNECTIONS 1,001 - 5,000 (\$4.87 per conr	nection)	.13	\$63.31
CONNECTIONS 5,001 - 15,000 (\$2.78 per cor	nnection)	*****	\$0.00
CONNECTIONS 15,001+ (\$1.88 per connection)	າກ)		\$0.00
Late Fee (10% penalty if postmarked after 0	3/22/2022)		.\$840.33
	AMOUNT PAID:		\$0.00
	AMOUNT DUE: (if postmarked	d before 03/22/2022):	\$8,403.31
	AMOUNT DUE: (if postmarked	i after 03/22/2022):	\$9,243.64

You may submit payment via check, money order, credit card, or EFT. Payment information is available on our website at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/make\_a\_payment/