

Rogina Water Company

1850 Talmage Rd.
Ukiah, CA 95482
Telephone: (707) 462-4056

July 29, 2022

Advice Letter No. 86-W

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Rogina Water Company (RWC) hereby transmits for filing one original and one 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>
512-W	Schedule No. 1, General Metered Service	462-W
513-W	Schedule No. 3M, Irrigation Service	463-W
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REQUEST

By AL 86-W, RWC requests permission to increase its revenues (based on increase to the present monthly quantity rate and service charge) by 7%, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for 2021. The projected revenue increase of \$57,400 will not result in a rate of return which exceeds the authorized rate of return of 10.57%. Workpapers justifying this increase are enclosed.

BACKGROUND

The present rates and last general rate increase became effective on July 14, 2016, pursuant to Resolution W-5094, which authorized a general rate increase of \$87,071, or 11.88% and a rate of return of 10.57%.

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AL #86-W 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.

TIER DESIGNATION AND REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE

This AL and the enclosed tariff sheets are submitted pursuant to General Order (GO.) 96-B. AL 86-W 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.

¹GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1

² GO. 96-B, General Rule 4.2

³ GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 3.2

⁴ GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 4.1

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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.

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 (DW) 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 DW, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to RWC at:

Mailing Address:

Rogina Water Company
Attn: Wayne Rogina
1850 Talmage Rd
Ukiah, CA 95482

Email Address:

drogina@pacific.net

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform DW, 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.

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REPLIES

The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Any reply must be received by DW 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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the service list from Advice Letter #86-W has been served a copy of this Advice Letter on July 29, 2022.

Executed in Talmage, California on July 29, 2022.

By: /S/ WAYNE ROGINA
Wayne Rogina
Assistant Vice President

Enclosures

⁶ GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

Schedule No. 1

GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service

TERRITORY

Talmage and vicinity, near Ukiah, Mendocino County

RATES

Quantity Rate:

For all water per 100 cubic feet \$ 2.641 (I)

Service Charge:

Per Month

For 5/8 x 3/4 -inch meter	\$ 25.20	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter	\$ 37.79	(I)
For 1-inch meter	\$ 63.00	(I)
For 1 1/2 -inch meter	\$ 125.98	(I)
For 2-inch meter	\$ 201.58	(I)
For 3-inch meter	\$ 377.96	(I)
For 4-inch meter	\$ 629.93	(I)
For 6-inch meter	\$1,259.86	(I)

The service charge is a readiness-to-serve charge, which is applicable to all metered service, and to which is added the monthly charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rate.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. A late charge will be imposed by Schedule No. LC.
2. In accordance with Section 2714 of the Public Utilities Code, if a tenant in a rental unit leaves owing the company, service to subsequent tenants in that unit will, at the company's option, be furnished on the account of the landlord or property owner.
3. All bills are subject to the Reimbursement Fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.

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Schedule No. 3M

IRRIGATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered irrigation service

TERRITORY

Talmage and vicinity, near Ukiah, Mendocino County

RATES

Quantity Rate:			
All water used per 100 cubic feet		\$ 2.088	(I)

Service Charge:

		<u>Per Meter</u>	
		<u>Per Year</u>	
For	1 1/2 -inch meter	\$ 714.32	(I)
For	2-inch meter	\$ 1,142.91	(I)
For	3-inch meter	\$ 2,142.95	(I)
For	4-inch meter	\$ 3,571.57	(I)
For	6-inch meter	\$ 7,143.15	(I)

The service charge is a readiness-to-serve charge, which is applicable to all metered service, and to which is added the monthly charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rate.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The annual service charge shall be payable prior to commencement of each irrigation year.
2. This service charge is secondary to domestic service and the utility must be given 24 hours notice before each irrigation. In the event that insufficient water is available for all irrigation users to be served at the same time, rotation of use may be required.
3. All bills are subject to the Reimbursement Fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.

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Schedule No. 4

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

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

TERRITORY

Talmage and vicinity, near Ukiah, Mendocino County

RATES

Quantity Rate:

All water used per 100 cubic feet \$ 2.127 (I)

Service Charge:

For each inch in diameter of service connection Per Service Per Month
\$ 6.546 (I)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The fire protection service connection shall be installed by the utility and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.
2. The minimum diameter for fire protection service shall be four inches, and the maximum diameter shall not be more than the main to which the service is connected.
3. If a distribution main of adequate size to serve a private fire protection system in addition to all the other normal service does not exist in the street or alley adjacent to the premises to be served, then a service main from the nearest existing main of adequate capacity shall be installed by the utility and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.
4. Service hereunder is for private fire protection systems to which no connection for other than fire protection purposes are allowed, and which are regularly inspected by the underwriters having jurisdiction, are installed according to specifications of the utility, and are maintained to the satisfaction of the utility. The utility may install the standard detector type meter approved by the Board of Fire Underwriters for the protection against theft, leakage, waste of water, and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.
5. The utility undertakes to supply only such water at such pressure as may be available at any time through the normal operation of its system.
6. All bills are subject to the Reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.

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Schedule No. 9TS

TANK SERVICE
WATER FROM HYDRANTS ON MAIN LINES

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all water sold hydrants to water trucks by meter or tank measurements.

TERRITORY

Talmage and vicinity, near Ukiah, Mendocino County

RATES

Quantity Rate:

Per 100 cubic feet \$ 0.983 (I)

Service Charge:

A service charge at a hourly rate will be made for installing a meter or both on the hydrant.
This rate will be based on the judgement of the Company at a fair labor rate.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the Reimbursement Fee set forth in Schedule No. UF

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ADVICE LETTER #86-W
SERVICE LIST
(PER SECTION 4.3 OF GENERAL ORDER No. 96-B)

Millview County Water District
151 Laws Avenue
Ukiah, CA 95482

Willow County Water District
151 Laws Avenue
Ukiah, CA. 95482

City of Ukiah
300 Seminary Avenue
Ukiah, CA. 95482

Earnings Test
Rogina Water Company, Inc.
Summary of Earnings

Category	Most Recent Adopted in Resolution W-5094 July 14, 2016	Actual 2021	CPI Increase @7% on Adopted	Revenue After CPI Increase, Actual Expenses, & Actual Rate
	TY2016 a		Revenue Only c=a*7%	Base (Revenues) d=b + c
Operating Revenues:				
Irrigation	17,834	24,487	1,248	25,735
Metered	800,125	757,653	56,009	813,662
Approved Total Surcharge Revenue(s)			-	
Private Fire Protection	2,041	1,586	143	1,729
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	820,000	783,726	57,400	841,126
Operative Expenses:				
Purchased Water	23,500	31,534		31,534
Purchased Power	85,280	119,706		119,706
Purchased Chemicals	-			-
Other Volume Related Expenses	7,289	8,071		8,071
Employee Labor	70,231	130,390		130,390
Materials	17,382	66,289		66,289
Contract Work	28,334	104,027		104,027
Water Testing		-		-
Transportation Expense	22,239	32,576		32,576
Other Plant Maintenance	5,844	8,885		8,885
Office Salaries	27,837	41,301		41,301
Management Salaries	72,625	76,800		76,800
Employee Pension and Benefits	45,045	53,593		53,593
Uncollectibles	738	520		520
Office Service and Rentals	5,277	25,044		25,044
Office Supplies and Expenses	28,524	20,072		20,072
Professional Services	17,002	25,175		25,175
Insurance	19,378	24,568		24,568
Regulatory Commission Expense	9,600	12,030		12,030
General Expenses	16,127	14,696		14,696
Capitalized Expense	-			
SUBTOTAL	502,252	795,277		795,277
Depreciation	84,752	71,646		71,646
Taxes Other than Income	32,391	34,831		34,831
State and Federal Income Taxes	65,467	(99,416)		(99,416)
Interest	-	1		1
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	684,862	802,339		802,339
NET REVENUE	135,138	(18,613)		38,787
RATE BASE				
Average Plant	2,937,624	3,187,889		3,187,889
Less: Average Accumulated Depreciation	1,360,926	1,764,445		1,764,445
NET PLANT	1,576,698	1,423,444		1,423,444
Less: Advances	60,384	577,182		577,182
Contribution in aid of construction	212,188	247,926		247,926
Deferred income taxes	76,822	10,425		10,425
Plus: CWIP	-	68,429		68,429
Working Cash	41,854	104,900		104,900
Materials & Supplies	9,500	9,500		9,500
RATE BASE	1,278,658	770,740		770,740
RATE OF RETURN	10.57%	-2.41%		5.03%
Earnings Test:	5.03%	<	10.57%	

Rogina Water Company, Inc.
Working Cash

SIMPLIFIED BASIS DETERMINATION OF WORKING CASH ALLOWANCE

(A utility operating as an individual or partnership using monthly billing at meter rates)

1 Operating Expenses, Excluding Taxes and Depreciation	688,800
2 Purchased Power and/or Purchased Commodity for Resale*	119,706
3 Two Months' Average Operating Expenses (1/6 x Line 1)	114,800
4 One Month's Average Purchased Power and/or Purchased Commodity* (1/12 x Line 2)	9,976
5 Average Tax Accruals Available	0
6 Working Cash Allowance (Line 3 - Line 4 - Line 5)	104,825
7 Use	104,900

* Electric power, gas or other fuel purchased for pumping and or purchased water or gas or electricity for resale billed after receipt (metered).

RATES

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GENERAL METERED RATES:

CPI RATE		7.00%		
		OLD	NEW	
		<u>Per Meter</u>	<u>Per Meter</u>	
		<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	
Quantity Rates:				
All water per 100 cu. ft.		\$2.468	\$ 2.641	(I)
Service Charge:				
5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	.....	\$23.55	\$ 25.20	(I)
3/4-inch meter	.....	\$35.32	\$ 37.79	(I)
1-inch meter	.....	\$58.88	\$ 63.00	(I)
1-1/2 inch meter	.....	\$117.74	\$ 125.98	(I)
2-inch meter	.....	\$188.39	\$ 201.58	(I)
3-inch meter	.....	\$353.23	\$ 377.96	(I)
4-inch meter	.....	\$588.72	\$ 629.93	(I)
6-inch meter	.....	\$1,177.44	\$ 1,259.86	(I)

IRRIGATION RATES:

		OLD	NEW	
		<u>Per Meter</u>	<u>Per Meter</u>	
		<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	
Quantity Rates:				
All water per 100 cu. ft.		\$1.951	\$ 2.088	(I)
Service Charge:				
1-1/2 inch meter	.....	\$667.59	\$ 714.32	(I)
2-inch meter	.....	\$1,068.14	\$ 1,142.91	(I)
3-inch meter	.....	\$2,002.76	\$ 2,142.95	(I)
4-inch meter	.....	\$3,337.92	\$ 3,571.57	(I)
6-inch meter	.....	\$6,675.84	\$ 7,143.15	(I)

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

		OLD	NEW	
		<u>Per Meter</u>	<u>Per Meter</u>	
		<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	
Quantity Rates:				
All water per 100 cu. ft.		\$1.988	\$ 2.127	(I)
Service Charge:				
For each inch in diameter of service connection		\$6.118	\$ 6.546	(I)

**TANK SERVICE WATER FROM
HYDRANTS IN MAIN LINES**

		OLD	NEW	
Quantity Rates:				
Per 100 cu. ft.		\$0.919	\$ 0.983	(I)
Service Charge:				

A service charge at a hourly rate will be made for installing a meter or both on the hydrant. This rate will be based on the judgement of the Company at a fair labor rate.