CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

District: Arden Cordova

CPUC Utility #: 133 W

Advice Letter #: 1909-W

Tier ☒1 ☐2 ☐3 ☒ Compliance

Authorization D.23-06-024

Description: 2022-23 Interim rate true-up

Date Mailed to Service List: 10/9/2023

Protest Deadline (20th Day): 10/29/2023

Review Deadline (30th Day): 11/8/2023

Requested Effective Date: 10/13/2023

Rate Impact: $3,016,827
17.4 %

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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DATE	STAFF	COMMENTS

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Signature: _____ **Comments:** _____

Date: _____

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Advice Letter No. 1909-W **(U 133 W)**

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) hereby transmits the following changes in tariff schedules applicable to its Arden Cordova Customer Service Area (CSA):

CPUC Sheet No	**Title of Sheet**	**Canceling CPUC Sheet No.**
Revised No. 9351-W	Schedule No. AC-1-NR Arden Cordova District Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 5	Revised No. 9280-W
Revised No. 9352-W	Schedule No. AC-1-R Arden Cordova District Residential Metered Service, Page 4	Revised No. 9284-W
Revised No. 9353-W	Table of Contents, Page 4	Revised No. 9349-W
Revised No. 9354-W	Table of Contents, Page 1	Revised No. 9350-W

GSWC is seeking authorization to implement a temporary surcharge in its Arden Cordova CSA to recover the revenue shortfall caused by the variance between interim rates (which were in place since January 1, 2022) and final rates implemented on July 31, 2023, via Advice Letter No. 1904-W. The final rates were adopted in Decision No. (D.) 23-06-024, dated June 29, 2023, for GSWC's General Rate Case Application No. 20-07-012.

D. 23-06-024 authorizes GSWC to file a Tier 1 advice letter to implement a surcharge to true-up the revenue difference between the interim rates and the authorized rates. Specifically, Ordering Paragraph No. 7 states,

> *"The surcharge to true-up the interim rates must comply with Standard Practice U-27-W. Golden State Water Company (GSW) shall file its tariff implementing the surcharge to true-up its interim rates by Tier 1 advice letter after GSW calculates the*

> *revenue difference between the interim rates and the authorized rates, but within 90 days after 2023 rates have been implemented. Because the effective date of this order is after the beginning of the 2023 escalation year, the surcharge shall include differences between interim rates and adopted rates through the effective date of the 2023 escalation year rates."*

D.23-06-024 is a delayed GRC decision. GSWC implemented the 2023 GRC rates effective July 31, 2023. In compliance with the above Ordering Paragraph No. 7, GSWC has calculated the difference between the interim rates and final rates for the period of January 1, 2022 through July 30, 2023.

GSWC has calculated the difference between the interim rates and final rates for the period of January 1, 2022 through July 30, 2023. As shown in the supporting work papers, the total revenue shortfall in the Arden Cordova CSA is $3,016,827. GSWC is requesting to recover the revenue shortfall through a temporary surcharge of $0.196 over a 36-month amortization period.

GSWC will provided the Water Division and the Public Advocates Office with supporting work papers.

Effective Date
GSWC is requesting that this advice letter become effective on October 13, 2023.

Customer Notice
GSWC will include a bill message on the customer's first bill after the increase goes into effect to inform customers of this compliance rate surcharge increase.

Response or Protest
Anyone may submit a response or protest for this Advice Letter (AL). When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

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 re-litigating 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.

WD must receive a response or protest via email (**or** postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.** The addresses for submitting a response or protest is:

California Public Utilities Commission
Water Division
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
E-mail: 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 Golden State Water Company, addressed to:

Golden State Water Company
Attn: Gladys Estrada
630 East Foothill Blvd.
San Dimas, CA 91773
E-mail: regulatoryaffairs@gswater.com

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 WD 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.

The actions requested in this advice letter are not now the subject of any formal filings with the California Public Utilities Commission, including a formal complaint, nor action in any court of law.

No individuals or utilities have requested notification of filing of tariffs. Distribution of this advice letter is being made to the attached service list in accordance with General Order No. 96-B.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gladys Estrada
Gladys Estrada
Regulatory Analyst

cc: Jim Boothe, CPUC – Water Division
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Jeremy Ho, CPUC- Water Division

Schedule No. AC-1-NR
Arden Cordova District
Non-Residential Metered Service

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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12. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.196 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 36-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1909-W. The surcharge recovers the difference between the interim rates and the final rates for the period of January 1, 2022 thought July 30, 2023. (N) (N)

Schedule No. AC-1-R
Arden Cordova District
Residential Metered Service

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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9. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.196 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 36-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1909-W. The surcharge recovers the difference between the interim rates and the final rates for the period of January 1, 2022 through July 30, 2023. (N)

(N)

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The following tariff sheets contain all effective rates and rules affecting rates and service of the utility, together with information relating thereto:

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VERIFICATION

I am Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and an officer of Golden State Water Company ("GSWC"), and am authorized to make this verification on its behalf with respect to the customer notification for **Advice Letter No. 1909-W.** GSWC intends to provide customer notification to customers by: (check all that apply)

☐ Bill Insert

✓ Bill Message

☐ Individual Notice by Mail

☐ Electronic Mail

☐ Legal Notices Published in a Local Newspaper of General Circulation

☐ Other (please explain) _____

GSWC will include a bill message on each of its customers' first bill generated after **Advice Letter No. 1909-W** goes into effect, to inform them of the surcharge approved in the advice letter filing. In addition, a copy of this advice letter and the bill message will be posted on the Company's website. The foregoing statement is true of my own knowledge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 9th day of October 2023, at San Dimas, California.

Jon Pierotti
Digitally signed by Jon Pierotti
Date: 2023.10.09 14:27:21 -07'00'

Jon Pierotti
Vice President, Regulatory Affairs
Golden State Water Company

Bill Message

Effective October 13, 2023, a temporary surcharge will be in effect for 36-months to recover the difference between interim rates and final rates, as a result of a delay in Decision 23-06-024. For more information, visit gswater.com

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

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