CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

District: Simi Valley

CPUC Utility #: 133 W

Advice Letter #: 1930-W

Tier ☒1 ☐2 ☐ Compliance

Authorization Standard Practice U-27

Description: Request to increase base rates to offset the increase in supply expense for purchased water.

Date Mailed to Service List: 11/28/2023

Protest Deadline (20th Day): 12/18/2023

Review Deadline (30th Day): 12/28/2023

Requested Effective Date: 1/1/2024

Rate Impact: $840,490
5.45%

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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Signature: _____ **Comments:** _____

Date: _____

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November 28, 2023

Advice Letter No. 1930-W **(U 133 W)**

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) hereby transmits following tariff sheets applicable to its copies of the following tariff sheets applicable to its Simi Valley Customer Service Area (CSA):

CPUC Sheet No	**Title of Sheet**	**Canceling CPUC Sheet No.**
Revised No. 9482-W	Schedule No. SI-1-NR Simi Valley Customer Service Area Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 1	Revised No. 9399-W
Revised No. 9483-W	Schedule No. SI-1-NR Simi Valley Customer Service Area Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 3	Revised No. 9394-W
Revised No. 9484-W	Schedule No. SI-1-R Simi Valley Customer Service Area Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 1	Revised No. 9400-W
Revised No. 9485-W	Schedule No. SI-1-R Simi Valley Customer Service Area Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 2	Revised No. 9396-W
Revised No. 9486-W	Table of Contents, Page 5	Revised No. 9480-W
Revised No. 9487-W	Table of Contents, Page 1	Revised No. 9481-W

GSWC is seeking authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to increase the water rates in its Simi Valley CSA by $840,490 or 5.45% to offset purveyor rate changes purchased water costs.

Background

Purchased water in the Simi Valley Service Area is obtained from the Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD). Effective January 1, 2024 CMWD increased their water rates, resulting in an increase of $829,358.

Revenues to cover the supply expense rate changes would also increase the uncollectible and franchise fees expenses by $2,300 and $8,832, respectively, above the amounts currently reflected in GSWC's rates.

As shown in the workpapers, an increase of $840,490 or 5.45% to Adopted Gross Revenue is needed to offset the net supply costs increase in Simi Valley.

Copies of detailed workpapers supporting the proposed rate increase and rate calculations have been provided to the Commission Staff in accordance with Standard Practice U-27-W.

Effective Date

This advice letter is submitted with a Tier 1 designation. GSWC is requesting this filing become effective January 1, 2024.

Notice

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 Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B.

GSWC will notify its customers of this rate increase by placing a message on the customer's water bills that are generated after the increase goes into effect.

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
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Regulatory Analyst

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Schedule No. SI-1-NR
Simi Valley District
Non-Residential Metered Service

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service except those covered under SI-1-R, residential metered service.

TERRITORY

Portions of the City of Simi Valley and vicinity, Ventura County.

RATES

	Per 1 CCF (100 cu. ft.)	Per 1 CGL (100 gal.)	
Quantity Rates:			
For all water delivered	$4.9380	$0.6601	(I)

Service Charges:	Per Meter Per Month	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	$ 23.37	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter	$ 35.06	
For 1-inch meter	$ 58.43	
For 1-1/2 inch meter	$ 116.85	
For 2-inch meter	$ 186.96	
For 3-inch meter	$ 350.55	
For 4-inch meter	$ 584.25	
For 6-inch meter	$ 1,168.50	
For 8-inch meter	$ 1,869.60	
For 10-inch meter	$ 2,687.55	
Fire Sprinkler 4-inch to 3-inch	$ 365.51	
Fire Sprinkler 6-inch to 1-1/2-inch	$ 212.20	
Fire Sprinkler 6-inch to 2-inch	$ 280.21	
Fire Sprinkler 6-inch to 3-inch	$ 401.26	
Fire Sprinkler 8-inch to 2-inch	$ 299.37	
Fire Sprinkler 8-inch to 3-inch	$ 420.43	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all metered service and to which is to be added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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Schedule No. SI-1-NR
Simi Valley District
Non-Residential Metered Service

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

10. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.177 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 12-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1908-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.

11. Beginning January 1, 2024, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in purchased water of $0.43337/Ccf, relative to the Purchased Water cost adopted by Decision No. 23-06-024, and an associated revenue increase of 5.45%, are being tracked in a reserve account. (N) | (N)

Schedule No. SI-1-R
Simi Valley District
Residential Metered Service

APPLICABILITY
Applicable to all residential metered water service provided to single-family residential customers.

TERRITORY
Portions of the City of Simi Valley and vicinity, Ventura County.

RATES

Quantity Rates:	Per 1 CCF (100 cu. ft.)	Per 1 CGL (100 gal.)	
Tier 1 – First 10 ccf or 7,481 gallons	$ 4.938	$ 0.6601	(I)
Tier 2 – Next 12 ccf or 8,977 gallons	$ 5.678	$ 0.7590	(I)
Tier 3 – Over 22 ccf or 16,457 gallons	$ 6.530	$ 0.8729	(I)

Service Charges:	Per Meter Per Month	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	$ 21.44	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter	$ 32.16	
For 1-inch meter	$ 53.60	
For 1-1/2 inch meter	$ 107.20	
For 2-inch meter	$ 171.52	
Fire Sprinkler 1-inch to 5/8x 3/4-inch	$ 22.30	
Fire Sprinkler 1-inch to 3/4-inch	$ 32.59	
Fire Sprinkler 1 ½-inch to 3/4-inch	$ 36.66	
Fire Sprinkler 2-inch to 3/4-inch	$ 38.38	
Fire Sprinkler 1 ½-inch to 1-inch	$ 57.46	
Fire Sprinkler 2-inch to 1-inch	$ 58.96	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all metered service and to which is to be added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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Schedule No. SI-1-R
Simi Valley District
Residential Metered Service

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

2. Pursuant to Decision No. 23-06-024 a surcharge of $0.107 per Ccf will be applied to all metered customer bills excluding customers that are receiving the CAP credit. This surcharge will offset the CAP credits and CAP administrative program costs recorded in the CAP Balancing Account.

3. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.015 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 12-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1899-W. The surcharge will amortize the cumulative balance recorded in the Tangible Property Regulation Collateral Consequences Memorandum Account as of September 30, 2020.

4. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.0007 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of six months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1899-W. The surcharge will amortize the cumulative balance recorded in the School Lead Testing Memorandum Account as of September 30, 2020.

5. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.00145 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of six months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1899-W. The surcharge will amortize the cumulative balance recorded in the Emergency Consumer Protection Memorandum Account as of September 30, 2020.

6. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.035 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 12-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1899-W. The surcharge will amortize the cumulative balance recorded in the Public Safety Power Shut-Off Memorandum Account as of September 30, 2020.

7. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.008 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 12-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1899-W. The surcharge will amortize the cumulative balance recorded in the General Ratemaking Area Balancing Account as of September 30, 2020.

8. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission Commission in D.23-06-024, an amount of $0.177 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a period of 12-months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter No. 1908-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.

9. Beginning January 1, 2024, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in purchased water of $0.43337/Ccf, relative to the Purchased Water cost adopted by Decision No. 23-06-024, and an associated revenue increase of 5.45%, are being tracked in a reserve account. (N) (N)

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Golden State Water Company
Region 1 - Simi Valley District
Forecasted Supply Expenses Summary

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	D.23-06-024	D.23-06-024; AL 1900-W	AL 1918- W & 1919-WA with SRM
	2022	2023	2024
Supply Volume			
Wells Production (CCF)	381,430	381,430	381,430
Purchased Water (CCF)	2,261,604	2,203,999	1,913,748
Total Supply (CCF)	2,643,034	2,585,429	2,295,178
Supply Expenses			
Energy Cost - Electric			
Total Energy Cost - Electric Kwh	1,288,248	1,260,170	1,118,698
Total Energy Cost - SCE	$192,248	$188,057	$166,945
$/kwh	$0.149	$0.149	$0.149
Total Energy Cost - Gas	$2,112	$2,112	$2,179
Total Energy Cost	$194,359	$190,169	$169,125
Purchased Water Cost			
Calleguas MWD			
Purchased Supply Volume (in CCf)	2,261,604	2,203,999	1,913,748
Total Purchased Water Cost	$8,918,620	$8,712,188	$8,501,413
$/CCF	$3.943	$3.953	$4.4423
Pump Tax Cost			
Total Cost	0	$0.000	$0.0000
Chemical Cost	$186	$188	$192
Total Purchase/Pump/Lease Water Costs	$8,918,620.04	$8,712,188.12	$8,501,412.95

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