



June 21, 2024

Advice Letter No. 545

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Del Oro Water Company, Inc. (DOWC) hereby transmits Advice Letter No. 545, on behalf of its Stirling Bluffs (DOWCSB) and Strawberry (DOWCST) Districts, an advice letter filing to update the 2024-2025 Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance Tariff (LIRA) for DOWCSB and DOWCST in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission Resolution Nos. W-5146 and W-5075, and provide corrected tariff sheets for DOWCSB's and DOWCST's LIRA program approved in Resolution No. W-5146, dated September 14, 2017 and Resolution No. W-5075, dated January 14, 2016. The following changes in its tariff schedules are attached hereto:

<u>Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Schedule No.</u>	<u>Canceling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>
2563-W 2564-W	Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance (LIRA), Stirling Bluffs District	LIRA-SB	2523-W 2524-W
2565-W	Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance (LIRA), Strawberry District	LIRA-ST	2525-W
2566-W	LIRA-SB, Notice and Application Form Stirling Bluffs District	LIRA-SB	2526-W
2567-W	LIRA-ST, Notice and Application Form, Strawberry District	LIRA-ST	2427-W
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For DOWCSB, this advice letter changes eligible and ineligible customer credits/surcharges **[Exhibit A]**. The eligible customer maximum discount will remain at 20% of the Readiness-to-Serve for a maximum monthly credit of \$5.67 per month, and the ineligible customer monthly surcharge is proposed to decrease from \$5.78 to \$4.20.

For DOWCST, this advice letter changes eligible and ineligible customer credits/surcharges **[Exhibit B]** as the eligible customer discount remains at 50% of the Readiness-to-Serve Charge for a maximum monthly credit of \$66.43. The ineligible customer monthly surcharge is proposed to increase from \$1.09 to \$1.39.

Requested Effective Date

DOWC is submitting the attached as a Tier 2 filing and requests that it become effective at the earliest possible date. A Notice to the Customer will be mailed to the customers on June 21, 2024 is attached as **[Exhibit C]**.

Notice and Service

In accordance with General Order 96-B, General Rules 4.3 and 7.2, and Water Industry Rule 4.1, a copy of this advice letter will be mailed or electronically transmitted upon CPUC staff approval of the proposed notice to other utilities or interested parties having requested such notification. A list of those utilities and/or parties is attached.

Response Or Protest

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response supports the filing, and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the advice letter. A protest objects to the advice letter 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 advice letter;
- (2) The relief requested in the advice letter would violate statute or Commission order, or is not authorized by the statute or Commission order on which the utility relies;
- (3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the advice letter contain material errors or omissions;
- (4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding;
- (5) The relief requested in the advice letter requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the advice letter process; or
- (6) The relief requested in the advice letter 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).



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

Comments should mention that they pertain to **Del Oro Water Co., 2024-2025 LIRA Program**, and must be sent no later than twenty (20) days after this notice is sent.

A response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail, and must be received by the Water Division within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed.

The address for mailing or delivering a protest is:

California Public Utilities Commission
Water Division - Room 3200
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
Fax: 415-703-2481
E-Mail: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

On the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of mail (or e-mail) to the utility, addressed to:

Director of Community Relations
Post Office Drawer 5172
Chico, CA 95927
Fax: 530-717-2639
E-Mail: communityrelations@delorowater.com

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Water Division, 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. Each reply must be received by the Water Division within 5 business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day to the person who filed the protest or response.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within ten (10) business days, contact Del Oro Water Company at 1-877-335-6764 or 530-717-2500.



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This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

Del Oro Water Company, Inc.

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Director, Corporate Accounting

Attachment
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