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Advice Letter No. 547

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Del Oro Water Company, Inc. (DOWC) hereby transmits Advice Letter No. 547 for filing on behalf of all DOWC Districts (DISTRICTS) requesting authorization to establish an opt-out tariff for Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI). DOWC respectfully submits this Tier 2 Advice Letter requesting authority to make the following changes applicable to all DISTRICTS.

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Purpose

With this Advice Letter, DOWC requests authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to establish an opt-out tariff for Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI).

Background

DOWC in our continued efforts to reduce water waste and improve our operations will be starting a Statewide AMI Meter Project. Water scarcity and the efficient utilization of water resources have become increasingly pressing issue statewide. By implementing AMI water metering, we can effectively address these challenges and pave the way for sustainable water management practices.

Once AMI is deployed, DOWC will no longer be manually reading meters. However, if a customer decides to opt-out of AMI, there are some costs associated with manually reading meters each month on top of normal charges for water services.

Therefore, DOWC is requesting a monthly fee for manual meter reading services of \$25 per month and a meter removal fee of \$36. DOWC is also requesting an annual adjustment to these fees by a Tier 1 advice letter in accordance with the Consumer Price Index or cash flow, established by the CPUC annually on February 1st of each year.