

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
WATER DIVISION**

**Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

**Utility Name:** West San Martin Water Works,  
Inc.

**Date Mailed to Service List:** 1/8/2024

**District:**

**CPUC Utility #:** WTD-170

**Protest Deadline (20<sup>th</sup> Day):** 1/28/2024

**Advice Letter #:** 80-W

**Review Deadline (30<sup>th</sup> Day):** 2/7/2024

**Tier**    1    2    3     Compliance

**Requested Effective Date:** January 1, 2024

**Authorization**    Resolution M-4870

**Rate Impact:**    None

**Description:**    2024 CPUC Reimbursement Fee

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.

**Utility Contact:**    Brian Ukestad

**Utility Contact:**

**Phone:**    408-683-2098

**Phone:**

**Email:**    b.ukestad@wsmwater.com

**Email:**

**WD Contact:**    Tariff Unit

**Phone:**    (415) 703-1133

**Email:**    [Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov)

**WD USE ONLY**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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APPROVED

WITHDRAWN

REJECTED

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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# West San Martin Water Works, Inc.

Santa Clara County  
408-683-2098

January 8, 2024

Advice Letter No. 80-W

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

West San Martin Water Works, Inc. (WSMWW) 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>
413-W	Schedule No. UF Surcharge to Fund Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee	411-W
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## REQUEST

To adopt the surcharge rate to fund the Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee pursuant to Resolution (Res.) M-4870 issued December 14, 2023.

## BACKGROUND

By Res. M-4870, the Commission authorized the Public Utilities Commission Utilities Reimbursement Account User Fees that will become effective January 1, 2024.

As indicated in Res. M-4870, the Water and Sewer user fee rate which was previously 0.8% will be 0.7% effective January 1, 2024.

## TIER DESIGNATION AND REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE

This AL and the enclosed tariff sheets are submitted pursuant to General Order (GO.) 96-B. AL 80-W is designated as a Tier 1 AL and the enclosed tariff sheets will become effective upon filing.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1

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## **NOTICE**

A copy of this AL has been served to all parties listed on the service list<sup>2</sup> on the last page of this AL. This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

## **RESPONSE OR PROTEST**<sup>3</sup>

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.

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<sup>2</sup> GO. 96-B, Water Industry Rule 4.1

<sup>3</sup> 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. DWA 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](mailto: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 Water Division (WD), the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to WSMWW at:

**Email Address:**

b.ukestad@wsmwater.com

**Mailing Address:**

West San Martin Water Works, Inc.  
1005 Highland Ave  
San Martin, CA 95046

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform WD, 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.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> GO. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

# West San Martin Water Works, Inc.

Santa Clara County  
408-683-2098

## SERVICE LIST

### Via E-mail

Rami Khalon, Director  
Division of Water and Audits  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

### Via First Class United States Mail Without Attachments


San Martin County Water District  
P.O. Box 120  
San Martin, CA 95046

Twin Valley Water Company  
P.O. Box 23490  
San Jose, CA 95153

I hereby certify that the above service list has been served a copy of AL 80-W on January 8, 2024.

Executed in San Martin, California on January 8, 2024.

West San Martin Water Works,  
Inc.

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Ukestad  
President

Enclosures

**Schedule No. UF**

**SURCHARGE TO FUND  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
REMINBURSEMENT FEE**

APPLICABILITY

This surcharge applies to all water and sewer bills rendered under all tariff rate schedules authorized by the Commission, with the exception of resale rate schedule where the customer is a public utility.

TERRITORY

This schedule is applicable within the entire territory served by the utility.

RATES

A 0.7% surcharge shall be added to all customer bills. (R)

In 1982, the Legislature established the Public Utilities Commission Reimbursement Fee to be paid by utilities to fund their regulation by the Commission (Public Utilities (PU) Code Section 401- 433). The surcharge to recover the cost of that fee is ordered by the Commission under authority granted by the PU Code Section 433.

(To be inserted by utility)

*Issued By*

(To be inserted by P.U.C.)

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**Brian R. Ukestad**

Date Filed \_\_\_\_\_

Decision No. \_\_\_\_\_

**President**

Effective \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution No. M-4870

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