# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

# **Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

Utility Name:	CA Utilities (SWR)	Date Mailed to Service List:	12/11/24					
District:	n/a							
CPUC Utility #:	SWR 418	Protest Deadline (20 <sup>th</sup> Day):	12/31/24					
Advice Letter #:	91	Review Deadline (30 <sup>th</sup> Day):	01/10/25					
Tier	⊠1 □2 4 □ Compliance	Requested Effective Date:	01/01/25					
Authorization	Resolution W-4837							
		Rate Impact:	\$33,656					
Description:	Authorization to collect State Water		1.51%					
	Resource Control Board and Monterey Ba	•						
	Unified Air Pollution Control Board fees o	f						
	\$33,656 for 2024, not included in rates.							

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:	Thomas R. Adcock	Utility Contact 2:	Andrew Clarke
Phone:	(831) 424-0441	Phone 2:	(831) 424-0441
Email:	tom@alcowater.com	Email 2:	andy@alcowater.com

DWA Contact: Tariff Unit

**Phone:** (415) 703-1133

Email: <u>Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov</u>

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# CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC.

A California Corporation

Thomas R. Adcock President (831)424 - 0442 Phone P.O. Box 5100 Salinas, CA 93915 (831) 424 - 0611 Fax

December 11, 2024

**ADVICE LETTER NO. 91** 

## CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC (U 418-S)

#### TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California Utilities Service, Inc. (CUS) hereby transmits for filing the following tariff schedules, which are attached hereto:

CPUC	C C						
<u>SHEET NO.</u>	TITLE OF SHEET	SHEET NO.					
395-SS	Schedule No. 1, General Flat Rate Service (continued	d) 390-SS					
396-SS	Table of Contents	394-SS					

The present rates of California Utilities Service, Inc. became effective on April 29, 2024, pursuant to Advice Letter No. 90, which adopted a CPI-U offset of \$72,343 or 3.4%. The last general rate increase became effective on August 18, 2010 pursuant to Resolution No. W-4837, which authorized a general rate increase of \$723,777 or 88.4%, and a return based on a rate of margin of 21.7%.

Through this advice letter, CUS requests approval of a surcharge of \$29.55 per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) over a period of 12 months for a monthly surcharge of \$2.46 per EDU per month to recover its required regulatory permit fees paid to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD) for invoices dated January 2024 through December 2024. This increase of these paid expenses will not result in a rate of margin which exceeds the authorized rate of margin of 21.7%. Workpapers justifying this recovery have been provided to the CPUC Water Utilities Branch staff.

In CUS's last GRC, CUS requested balancing account treatment for the payment of required regulatory permit fees to the SWRCB and the MBUAPCD. Resolution W-4837 granted balancing account treatment of these fees, as stated below.

#### **Background**

Resolution No. W-4837, dated August 12, 2010, established CUS's balancing account in its Paragraph No. 3, which states:

"California Utilities Service, Inc. is granted balancing account treatment for the payments of required regulatory permit fees to the State Water Resources Control Board and the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District"

By Advice Letter No. 46, CUS updated its tariff sheets to include a balancing account to track payments to the SWRCB and the MBUAPCD.

In compliance with Ordering Paragraph No. 3 of Resolution No. W-4837, CUS respectfully requests authorization to make effective the attached tariff sheets for the collection of its required regulatory permit fees paid to the State Water Resources Control Board and the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District as recorded in CUS's balancing account for invoices dated January 2024 through December 2024 in the amount of \$33,656.00. The amount to be recovered is \$33,656.00, or 1.51%, to be collected through a surcharge of \$29.55 per EDU to be collected over a period of 12 months. The enclosed Attachment A shows the calculation of the surcharge and percentage increase.

This filing is made under the provisions of General Order No. 96-B, Water Industry Rules 7.3.1(1) and 7.3.1(3). This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

#### **Requested Effective Date**

This filing is a Tier 1 Advice Letter and may be effective the day it is filed; CUS respectfully requests that the effective date of this increase be January 1, 2025.

### <u>Notice</u>

In compliance with Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B, a copy of this advice letter has been served to all parties listed on the enclosed service list. In conformance with Resolution W-4664, Ordering Paragraph 3, California Utilities Service, Inc. will provide notice to its customers of the increase in dollar and percentage terms with the first bill that includes the increase.

#### **Protests and Responses:**

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 statute or Commission order on which the utility relies;
- (3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the advice letter contain material error or omissions;

- (4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- (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.)

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

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:

Tariff Unit, Water Division, 3rd floor California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 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 the protest by mail or e-mail to us, addressed to:

California Utilities Service, Inc. 249 Williams Road Salinas, CA 93905 Fax: (831) 424-0611

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 five 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.

California Utilities Service, Inc.

By: /s/ Thomas R. Adcock

Thomas R. Adcock President

Attachment

#### CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC. MONTEREY COUNTY

	COUNTY <u>REVISED</u> P.U.C. Sheet No Canceling <u>ORIGINAL</u> Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No	395-SS 390-SS
	Schedule No. 1	
	(continued) <u>GENERAL FLAT RATE SERVICE</u>	
<u>SPEC</u>	CIAL CONDITIONS (continued):	
		(D)
15.	As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission per Resolution No.	(N)
	W-4837 Ordering Paragraph No. 3, all bills are subject to a surcharge of \$2.46 per	
	EDU per month for a period of 12 months, except the Toro Park School surcharge	
	will be \$35.13 per month for a period 12 months and the Corral de Tierra County	
	Club surcharge will be \$23.86 per month for a period of 12 months, to recover the amounts recorded in the Balancing Account for payments to the State Water	
	Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution	
	Control District (MBUAPCD) for invoices dated January 2024 through December	
	2024. This surcharge will become effective for the billing period on or after January	
	1, 2025 and will continue for a total of 12 billing periods.	(Ň)

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The following listed tariff sheets contain all effective rates and rules affecting the charges and service of the utility, together with other pertinent information:

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No. 20 Limitation of Wastes Discharged into the Utility's Sewer System	m $272-SS - 274-SS$	
No. 21 Commercial, Institutional and Industrial Wastes	275-SS – 276-SS	

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via E-mail of the following document, California Utilities Service, Inc. Advice Letter No. 91, upon the California Public Utilities Commission as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party. Additionally, I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via United States mail of the following document, California Utilities Service, Inc. Advice Letter No. 91, upon all additional parties as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party.

Executed in Salinas, California, on the 11th day of December 2024.

/s/ Andrew Clarke Andrew Clarke, Controller

### CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE, INC. ADVICE LETTER NO. 91 SERVICE LIST (AS PER SECTION 7.2 OF GENERAL ORDER NO. 96-B)

Via E-mail:

Bruce DeBerry Water Division California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 water division@cpuc.ca.gov

Via United States Mail, w/out attachments:

California-American Water Company 4701 Beloit Drive Sacramento, CA 95838-2434

County Clerk County Administrative Office 168 West Alisal Street, 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

# California Utilities Service, Inc. Advice Letter No. 91 SWRCB and MBUAPCD Balancing Account Year 2024

2024 Additions:	Invoice #						
SWRCB Annual Permit - Plant	WD-0279657		28,205.00				
SWRCB Annual Permit - Collection Syste		3,945.00					
MBUAPCD - Permit Fees	FAC-104-11/25/2024	1,506.00					
Total SWRCB and MBUAPCD Fees to	be Recovered	\$	33,656.00				
<b>Surcharge Calculation Per Equivalent I</b> Amount to be recovered	Owelling Unit (EDU):	\$	33,656.00				
Number of EDUs (1,115 + 14.28 + 9.70)*	¢		1,138.98				
Surcharge per EDU		\$	29.55				
Recovery Period in Months			12				
Surcharge per EDU per month		\$	2.46				
Percent Calculation:							
2023 Sewer Revenue		\$	2,235,070				
Surcharge Amount		\$	33,656.00				
Percentage			1.51%				

\*One EDU is equivalent to the use of a single family dwelling and Toro Park School and Corral De Tierra County Club have the equivalent of 14.28 EDUs and 9.70 EDUs, respectively. Therefore, to calculate the total surcharge amount per month for the latter two, their respective EDUs are multiplied by the per EDU surcharge amount of \$29.55, as follows:

		Sur	charge	Total	Surcharge
	EDU	/ ED	U / Mo	Ame	ount / Mo
Toro Park School	14.28	\$	2.46	\$	35.13
Corral De Tierra Country Club	9.70	\$	2.46	\$	23.86
One EDU	1	\$	2.46	\$	2.46

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CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE	Friday, January 3, 2025 \$ 28,205.00
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249 WILLIAMS RD	
SALINAS, CA 93905	
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SACRAMENTO, CA 95812-1888	16625 RESERVATION
	SALINAS, CA 93908

# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

FACILITY ID (WDID): 3 271001001 ORDER NO: R3-2020-0020

#### INVOICE NO: WD-0279657 BILLING PERIOD: 07/01/24 - 06/30/25 REGION: 3

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DESCRIPTION

AMOUNT 28,205.00

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENT Fee Basis: Threat/Complexity 2B

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TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

\$ 28,205.00

If you have any questions about this invoice, please call the Water Board at 805-549-3550.

or you may send an email (preferred) to: RB3-Fees@waterboards.ca.gov

Web Site Address: Visit the Water Quality Fees website for more information: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/fees/water\_quality/

For payment status of your invoice, please go to the "Stormwater and Wastewater permit Fee Invoice Information" link at

https://public3.waterboards.ca.gov/infofees/faces/invoiceSearch/xhtml

Please allow 10 business days after mailing for your payment to be posted to the database.

#### **BILLING ADDRESS CORRECTIONS**

A change of ownership REQUIRES you to contact the Regional Board (contact information above). You are obligated to pay this and any past due invoices.

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# INVOICE

Annual Permit Fees Required by Sections 13260 & 13269 of the California Water Code

FACILITY ID (WDID): 3SSO11512 FACILITY NAME: CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE C PO BOX 5100 SALINAS, CA 93915 INVOICE NO: WD-0279424 BILLING PERIOD: 07/01/24 - 06/30/25 INVOICE DATE: 12/4/2024 INDEX NO: 628854

\$ 3,945.00

CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE THOMAS R. ADCOCK PO BOX 5100 SALINAS, CA 93915

Invoice details are shown on the back

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#### STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD Annual Permit Fee

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Friday, January 3, 2025

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Amount Due:

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PLEASE REMIT YOUR PAYMENT ON OR BEFORE THE DUE DATE SHOWN ABOVE. LATE PAYMENT COULD RESULT IN PENALTIES UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE WATER CODE SECTION 13261. THESE ACTIONS COULD INCLUDE DAILY PENALTIES IN ADDITION TO YOUR FEE OR OTHER ACTIONS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE REGIONAL BOARD.

Make your check payable to State Water Resources Control Board

If you have any questions about this invoice, please call the Water Board at 805-549-3550.

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INVOICE NO: WD-0279424

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(Please print the above number on check or money order)

CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE THOMAS R. ADCOCK PO BOX 5100 SALINAS, CA 93915 (831) 424-0441

AMOUNT DUE: \$3,945.00 BILLING PERIOD: 07/01/24 - 06/30/25 DUE BY: 1/3/25 FACILITY ID (WDID): 3SSO11512 FACILITY NAME: CALIFORNIA UTILITIES SERVICE C PO BOX 5100 SALINAS, CA 93915

SWRCB PO BOX 1888 SACRAMENTO, CA 95812-1888

# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

FACILITY ID (WDID): 3SSO11512 ORDER NO: 2022-0103-DWQ

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#### DESCRIPTION

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WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENT Fee Basis: Threat/Complexity 3C

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

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P. O. BOX 5100

SALINAS, CA 93915

24580 Silver Cloud Court Monterey, CA 93940 (831) 647-9411 www.mbard.org AccountsReceivable@mbard.org

CALIFORNIA UTILITY SERVICES INC

#### Invoice Date: Due Date: Amount Due:

Invoice Number:

FAC-104\_11/25/2024 11/25/2024 01/24/2025 \$1,506.00

# Annual Renewal Fees

Permit Number 15770	Reference Number 9888	Permit Description Prime Internal Combustion Engine Permit	Address/Fee Description 16625 RESERVATION RD, SALINAS, CA	Amount		
		1 Ginik	Emissions Fee: 2 -< 5	\$648.00		
			Toxic Fee	\$113.00		
8402	9887	Emergency Internal Combustion Engine Permit	16625 RESERVATION RD, SALINAS, CA			
			EICE - 203 Diesel Fee	\$284.00		
			Toxic Fee	\$113.00		
GNR-0017754	9886	Miscellaneous Permit	16625 RESERVATION RD, SALINAS, CA			
			Toxic Fee	\$113.00		
			WW Fee: 0 -< 9,999,999	\$235.00		

**Total Renewal Fees:** 

\$1,506.00

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IMPORTANT: If payment is not received by DUE DATE, penalties will be assessed from the original invoice date: 25% after 60 days, additional 25% after 90 days. Permits expire at 120 days if ALL FEES AND PENALTIES are not paid. Continued operation after expiration may result in fines to \$10,000/day.