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**CLASS D  
WATER UTILITIES**

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**2016  
ANNUAL REPORT  
OF**

**BENBOW WATER COMPANY**

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**BENBOW WATER CORPORATION**

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(NAME UNDER WHICH CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR INDIVIDUAL IS DOING BUSINESS)

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**55 FERN SPRINGS ROAD, GARBERVILLE, CA**  
(OFFICIAL MAILING ADDRESS)

**95542**  
ZIP

**TO THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

**REPORT MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2017**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Two completed and signed hard copies of this report and one electronic copy must be filed **NOT LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2017**, with:

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
WATER DIVISION  
ATTN: BRUCE DEBERRY  
505 VAN NESS AVENUE, ROOM 3106  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94102-3298  
[bmd@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:bmd@cpuc.ca.gov)**

2. Failure to file the report on time may subject a utility to the penalties and sanctions provided by the Public Utilities Code.
3. The Oath on Page12, must be signed by an authorized officer, partner, or owner.
4. The report must be prepared in ink, typed or computer generated.
5. The report must be filled in, and every question answered. LEAVE NO SCHEDULE BLANK. Insert the words "none" or "not applicable" or "n/a" when appropriate.
6. Certain balance sheet and income statement accounts flow to supplemental schedules. The totals of the details in the latter must agree with the balances of the accounts to which they refer.
7. Some schedules provide for a "balance at beginning of year." The amount shown should agree with the "balance at end of year" as shown in the report for the previous year. If there is a difference it should be explained by footnote.
8. When there is insufficient space in a schedule to permit a complete statement of the requested information, insert sheets should be prepared and identified by the number of the schedule to which it refers. Be certain that the inserts are securely attached to the report. If inserts are needed, prepare all inserts in one separate electronic file in Microsoft Excel format and file it with the electronic file of this report.
9. This report must cover the calendar year from January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016. Fiscal year reports will not be accepted.

**CLASS D WATER UTILITIES**  
(HAVING LESS THAN 500 SERVICE CONNECTIONS)

**Benbow Water Company**

(Name under which corporation, partnership or individual is doing business)

**55 Fern Springs Road, Garberville, CA 95542**

(Official mailing address)

**Benbow, Humboldt County**

(Service Area - Town and County)

**Telephone Number:** (707) 616-7484 **Fax Number:** (800) 901-4703

**Email Address:** win@bwcsystems.com

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

(Attach a supplementary statement, if necessary)  
RETURN ORIGINAL TO COMMISSION, NO PHOTOCOPIES.

1. If a corporation show:  
 (A) Date of organization August 7, 1981 incorporated in the State of California (Sub S)  
 (B) Names, titles and addresses of principal officers: Winston Benbow, Pres. Judy Benbow, Sec/Trs
2. If unincorporated provide the name and address of the owner(s) or the partners:

3. Name, title, and telephone number of:  
 (A) One person listed above to receive correspondence: Judy Benbow (561) 702-0736  
 (B) Person responsible for operations and services: Win Benbow (707) 616-7484

4. Were any contracts or agreements in effect with any organization or person covering service, supervision and/or management of your business affairs during the year? (Yes or No)  
 If so, what was the nature and the amount of each payment made under the agreement, to whom were payments made, and to what account was each payment charged?
5. State the names of associated companies or persons which, directly or indirectly, or through one or more intermediaries, control, or are controlled by, or are under common control with respondent:

**PUBLIC HEALTH STATUS**

6. Has state or local health department inspection been made during the year?  
 7. Are routine laboratory tests of water being made?  
 8. Has state health department water supply permit been obtained? (Indicate date)  
 9. If no permit has been obtained, state whether application has been made and when.  
 10. Show expiration date if state permit is temporary.

Yes	No	Latest Date
X		Apr, 2016
X		Dec, 2016
X		Aug, 2014

11. List Name, Grade, and License Number of all Licensed Operators:  
Doug Esget, T-2 (23448), D-2 (18175)

12. This annual report was prepared by:
- Name of firm or consultant: Anderson, Lucas, Somerville & Borges, LLP
- Address of firm or consultant: 1338 Main Street  
Fortuna, California 95540
- Phone Number of firm or consultant: (707) 725-4442

### Excess Capacity and Non-Tariffed Services

NOTE: In D.00-07-018, D.03-04-028, and D. 04-12-023, the CPUC set forth rules and requirements regarding water utilities provision of non-tariffed services using excess capacity. These decisions require water utilities to: 1) file an advice letter requesting Commission approval of that service, 2) provide information regarding non-tariffed goods/services in each company's Annual Report to the Commission.

Based on the information and filings required in D.00-07-018, D.03-04-028, and D.04-12-023, provide the following information by each individual non-tariffed goods and services provided in calendar year 2016:

Applies to All Non-Tariffed Goods/Services that require Approval by Advice Letter											
Row No.	Description of Non-Tariffed Good/Service	Active or Passive	Total Revenue Derived From Non-Tariffed Goods/ Services (by account)	Revenue Account Number	Total Expenses Incurred to Provide Non-Tariffed Goods/ Services (by Account)	Expense Account Number	Advice Letter and/or Resolution Number Approving Non-Tariffed Goods/ Services	Total Income Tax Liability Incurred Because of Non-Tariffed Goods/ Services (by Account)	Income Tax Liability Account Number	Gross Value of Regulated Assets Used in the Provision of a Non-Tariffed Goods/ Services (by Account)	Regulated Asset Account Number

**FOR ALL WATER COMPANIES  
SAFE DRINKING WATER BOND ACT/STATE REVOLVING FUND DATA**

Please provide the following information relating to each Safe Drinking Water Bond Act (SDWBA) or Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan surcharge collection for the calendar year. Please use one page per loan.

1. Current Fiscal Agent:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Hired: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Total surcharge collected from customers during the 12 month reporting period:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Meter Size	No. of Metered Customers	Monthly Surcharge Per Customer
5/8 X 3/4 inch		
3/4 inch		
1 inch		
1 1/2 inch		
2 inch		
3 inch		
4 inch		
6 inch		
Number of Flat Rate Customers		
<b>Total</b>		

3. Summary of the bank account activities showing:

Balance at beginning of year	\$ _____
Deposits during the year	_____
Interest earned for calendar year	_____
Withdrawals from this account	_____
Balance at end of year	_____

4. Reason or Purpose of Withdrawal from this bank account:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR ALL WATER COMPANIES  
SAFE DRINKING WATER BOND ACT/STATE REVOLVING FUND DATA (Continued)**

5. Plant amounts included in Schedule A-1a, Account No. 101--Water Plant in Service which were funded using SDWBA or SRF funds:

Line No.	Acct. No.	Title of Account (a)	Balance Beginning of Year (b)	Plant Additions During Year (c)	Plant Retirements During Year (d)	Other Debits* or (Credits) (e)	Balance End of Year (f)
1		NON-DEPRECIABLE PLANT					
2	301	Intangible Plant					
3	303	Land					
4		Total non-depreciable plant					
5		DEPRECIABLE PLANT					
6	304	Structures					
7	307	Wells	\$ 96,942	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 96,942
8	317	Other Water Source Plant					
9	311	Pumping Equipment					
10	320	Water Treatment Plant					
11	330	Reservoirs, Tanks and Standpipes					
12	331	Water Mains					
13	333	Services and Meter Installations					
14	334	Meters					
15	335	Hydrants					
16	339	Other Equipment					
17	340	Office Furniture and Equipment					
18	341	Transportation Equipment					
19		Total depreciable plant					
20		Total water plant in service					\$ 96,942

**SCHEDULE A - BALANCE SHEET (AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016)**

<b>Line</b>	<b>Acct.</b>	<b>Assets</b>	<b>Balance</b>
1	101	Water Plant in Service (Excluding SDWBA/SRF)	\$ 920,187
2	101.1	Water Plant in Service - SDWBA/SRF	\$ 96,942
3	101.2	Water Plant in Service - Prop 50	
4	103	Water Plant Held for Future Use	
5	104	Water Plant Purchased or Sold	
6	105	Water Plant Construction Work in Progress	
7	100.3	Construction Work in Progress (Prop 50)	
8	108	Accumulated Depreciation of Water Plant	\$ (307,154)
9	108.1	Accumulated Amortization of SDWBA/SRF Loan	\$ (96,942)
10	114	Water Plant Acquisition Adjustments	
11	121	Non-water Utility Property and Other Assets	
12	121.3	Cash - Miscellaneous Special Deposits (Prop 50)	
13	122	Accumulated Depreciation of Non-water Utility Property	
14	124	Other Investments	
15	131	Cash	\$ 56,360
16	131.3	Cash - Miscellaneous Special Deposits (Prop 50)	
17	132	Special Deposits	\$ 55,503
18	141	Accounts Receivable - Customers	\$ 24,745
19	142	Receivables from Associated Companies	
20	143	Accumulated Provision for Uncollectible Accounts	
21	151	Materials and Supplies	
22	174	Other Current Assets	\$ 38,247
23	180	Deferred Charges	
24			
25			
26		<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 787,887</b>
<b>Line</b>	<b>Acct.</b>	<b>Equity and Liabilities</b>	<b>Balance</b>
27	201	Common Stock (for corporations only)	
28	204	Preferred Stock (for corporations only)	
29	211	Other Paid-in Capital (for corporations only)	
30	215	Retained earnings (for corporations only)	\$ 534,026
31	218	Proprietary Capital (for proprietorships and partnerships only)	\$ 53,542
32	224	Long-Term Debt	\$ 4,234
33	231	Accounts Payable	\$ 21,059
34	232	Short-Term Notes Payable	
35	233	Customer Deposits	
36	236	Taxes Accrued	\$ 909
37	237	Interest Accrued	
38	241	Other Current Liabilities	
39	250	Reserve for Depreciation of Utility Plant (Prop 50)	
40	252	Advances for Construction	\$ 55,503
41	253	Other Credits	
42	255	Accumulated Deferred Investment Tax Credits	
43	266.0	Contributions - Publicly Grant-Funded Plant (Prop 50)	
44	266.1	Accumulated Amortization of Contributions - Publicly Grant-Funded Plant (Prop 50)	
45	271	Contributions in Aid of Construction	\$ 150,648
46	272	Accumulated Amortization of Contributions	\$ (32,032)
47	282	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes - ACRS Depreciation	
48	283	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes - Other	
49			
50			
51		<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 787,887</b>



**SCHEDULE B - WATER PLANT IN SERVICE (AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016)**

Line	Acct	Title of Account	Balance Beg of Year	Plant Additions During year	Plant Retirements During year	Other Debits or (Credits)	Balance End of year
1	301	Intangible Plant	\$ 100,357				\$ 100,357
2	303	Land	\$ 17,100				\$ 17,100
3	304	Structures	\$ 103,388	\$2,118			\$ 105,506
4	307	Wells	\$ 15,085				\$ 15,085
5	311	Pumping Equipment	\$ 88,736	\$25,456			\$ 114,192
6	317	Other Water Source Plant	\$ -				\$ -
7	320	Water Treatment Plant	\$ 184,889	\$77,956			\$ 262,846
8	330	Reservoirs, Tanks and Standpipes	\$ 201,419				\$ 201,419
9	331	Water Mains	\$ 93,198				\$ 93,198
10	333	Services and Meter Installations	\$ 17,512	\$4,011			\$ 21,523
11	334	Meters	\$ 19,893	\$3,756			\$ 23,648
12	335	Hydrants	\$ 3,738				\$ 3,738
13	339	Other Equipment	\$ 12,093				\$ 12,093
14	340	Office Furniture and Equipment	\$ 14,391				\$ 14,391
15	341	Transportation Equipment	\$ 74,806			(\$42,770)	\$ 32,036
16		Total water plant in service	\$ 946,603	\$113,298		(\$42,770)	\$ 1,017,131

\* Debit or credit entries should be explained by footnotes or supplementary schedules

**SCHEDULE C - RESERVE FOR DEPRECIATION OF UTILITY PLANT (AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016)**

Line	Item	Account 108 Water Plant	Account 108.1 SDWBA/SRF Loans	Water Plant Funded by Prop 50 (For information only)	
1	Balance in reserves at beginning of year	\$289,516	\$96,942		A. Method used to compute
2	Add: Credits to reserves during year				depreciation expense
3	(a) Charged to Account No. 272	\$4,307			(Acct. 403) and rate.
4	(b) Charged to Account No. 403	\$17,285			<b>2.4% per the CPUC</b>
5	(c) Charged to Account No. 407				B. Amount of depreciation expense
6	(d) Salvage recovered				or to be claimed on utility property
7	(e) All other credits	\$153			in your federal income tax return
8	Total credits	\$21,745			for the year covered by this
9	Deduct: Debits to reserves during year				report \$ <b>63063</b>
10	(a) Book cost of property retired	(\$4,106)			<b>Book Dep for Jeep</b>
11	(b) Cost of removal				C. State method used to compute
12	(c) All other debits				tax depreciation.
13	Total debits	(\$4,106)			<b>MACRS</b>
14	Balance in reserve at end of year	\$307,154			
15	(1) Explanation of all other credits				
16	(2) Explanation of all other debits				

**SCHEDULE E - LONG-TERM DEBTS**

Line	Lender Name	CPUC Order No.	Class	Date of Issuance	Date of Maturity	Principal Amount Authorized	Interest Rate (%)	Accrued Interest for Current Year	Interest Paid for Current Year	Outstanding Balance as of 12/31/2016
1	Winston Benbow (Zone 1 Tank)	AL40		8/1/2003	8/1/2013	\$85,000	9.52%	\$921	\$921	\$4,234
2	USAA (Truck Loan)	AL40		4/15/2012	4/1/2017	\$35,000	2.70%	\$123	\$123	\$0
3										
4										
5										
6										
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8										
9										
10										
11	<b>Total</b>					\$120,000		\$1,044	\$1,044	\$4,234

*Note: Please use duplicate page(s) to meet your company's needs if additional lines are needed.*

**SCHEDULE D - CAPITAL STOCK OUTSTANDING (AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016)**

Line	Description	Shareholder Name	Number of Shares	Par Value
1	Common Stocks	Winston Benbow	1000	
2	Common Stocks			
3	Common Stocks			
4	Common Stocks			
5	Common Stocks			
6	Common Stocks			
7	Common Stocks			
8	Common Stocks			
9	Common Stocks			
10	Common Stocks			
11	Common Stocks			
12	Common Stocks			
13	Common Stocks			
14	Common Stocks			
15	Common Stocks			
16	<b>Total - Common Stocks</b>			
17	Preferred Stocks			
18	Preferred Stocks			
19	Preferred Stocks			
20	Preferred Stocks			
21	Preferred Stocks			
22	Preferred Stocks			
23	Preferred Stocks			
24	Preferred Stocks			
25	Preferred Stocks			
26	Preferred Stocks			
27	Preferred Stocks			
28	Preferred Stocks			
29	Preferred Stocks			
30	Preferred Stocks			
31	Preferred Stocks			
32	<b>Total - Preferred Stocks</b>			
33	Total annual dividends declared and/or paid to common stockholders		\$	0
34	Percentage of total annual dividend to common stockholders as a percentage of total net income (%)			0.00%
35	Total annual dividends declared and/or paid to preferred stock shareholders		\$	
36	Percentage of total annual dividend to preferred stockholders as a percentage of total net income (%)			0.00%

**Note: Please use duplicate page(s) to meet your company's needs if additional lines are needed.**

**SCHEDULE F - INCOME STATEMENT**

<b>Line</b>	<b>Acct.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Balance</b>
1		<b>Operating Revenues:</b>	
2	460	Unmetered Water Revenue	
3	462	Fire Protection Revenue	\$2,467
4	465	Irrigation Revenue	
5	470	Metered Water Revenue	\$274,335
6	475	Approved Total Surcharge Revenue(s)	
7	480	Other water revenue	(\$2,108)
8		<b>Total Revenue Received</b>	\$274,694
9		Less: Revenue Deductions	
10		SDWBA/SRF Surcharge Revenue	
11		<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>\$274,694</b>
12		<b>Operating Expenses:</b>	
13	610	Purchased Water	
14	615	Power	\$20,107
15	618	Other Volume Related Expenses	\$2,341
16	630	Employee Labor	\$11,719
17	640	Materials	\$2,861
18	650	Contract Work	\$3,942
19	660	Transportation Expense	\$7,605
20	664	Other Plant Maintenance Expenses	\$10,260
21	670	Office Salaries	\$12,000
22	671	Management Salaries	\$18,000
23	674	Employee Pensions and Benefits	\$540
24	676	Uncollectible Accounts Expense	
25	678	Office Services and Rentals	
26	681	Office Supplies and Expense	\$12,427
27	682	Professional Services	\$18,174
28	684	Insurance	\$8,638
29	688	Regulatory Commission Expense	\$3,208
30	689	General Expense	\$10,225
31		<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$142,048</b>
32	403	Depreciation Expense	\$17,285
33	407	SDWBA/SRF Loan Amortization Expense	
34	408	Taxes Other Than Income Taxes	\$11,957
35	409	State Corporate Income Tax Expense	\$894
36	410	Federal Corporate Income Tax Expense	
37		<b>Total Operating Revenue Deductions</b>	<b>\$172,184</b>
38		<b>Utility Operating Income</b>	<b>\$102,510</b>
39	421	Non-utility Income	\$87
40	426	Miscellaneous Non-utility Expense	
41	427	Interest Expense	\$1,044
42		<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$101,554</b>

<b>SCHEDULE G - SOURCES OF SUPPLY AND WATER DEVELOPED WELLS</b>					
Location	No.	Diam. Inch	Depth to Water Feet	Pumping Capacity (g.p.m.)	Annual Quantities Pumped
Fern Springs Road	1	72	8	230	34,426,000
<b>OTHER</b>					
Streams or Springs Location of Diversion Point	Flow in Priority Right		(Unit) Diversions		Annual Quantities Diverted
	Claim	Capacity	Max	Min	Unit (gal)
Fern Springs Road	234	400	230	60	34,426,000
Purchased water (unit)				Annual Quantity	
Supplier:					

<b>SCHEDULE H - WATER DELIVERED TO METERED CUSTOMERS</b>			
(If figures are available) (specify unit)			
Classification of Service	Month of Year		Total for Year
	Maximum	Minimum	
Residential	August	January	19,962,160
Commercial	August	February	9,492,801
Industrial			
Fire Protection	July	January	120,099
Irrigation			
Other (specify)			
Total			

<b>SCHEDULE I - EMPLOYEES AND THEIR COMPENSATION</b>						
Line	Acct	Account	Number at End of Year	Salaries Charged to Expense	Salaries Charged to Plant Accounts	Total Salaries and Wages Paid
1	630	Employee Labor	1	11,718.75		11,718.75
2	670	Office salaries	1	12,000.00		12,000.00
3	671	Management salaries	1	18,000.00		18,000.00
4		Total	3	41,718.75		41,718.75

<b>SCHEDULE J - ADVANCES FOR CONSTRUCTION</b>	
Balance beginning of year	30216
Additions during year	63006
Subtotal - Beginning balance plus additions during year	93222
Refunds	9000
Transfers to Acct. 271 - Contributions in Aid of Construction	28719.46
Balance end of year	55502.54

<b>SCHEDULE K - TOTAL METERS AND SERVICES (Active and Inactive)</b>		
Size	Meters	Services
5/8 x 3/4-in	78	
3/4-in	46	
1-in	4	130
1 1/2-in	1	1
2-in +	4	4
Total	133	135

<b>SCHEDULE L - METER-TESTING DATA</b>	
Number of meters tested during year	
1 Used, before repair	
2 Used, after repair	
3 Fast, requiring refund	
Numbers of meters in service requiring test per General Order No. 103	

<b>SCHEDULE M - SERVICE CONNECTIONS AT END OF YEAR</b>								
Classification	Active			Inactive			Total connections	
	Metered	Flat	Total	Metered	Flat	Total	Metered	Flat
Residences	120		120	2			122	
Industrial/Commercial	8		8				8	
Irrigation								
Fire Protection (public)								
Fire Protection (private)	1		1				1	
Grow Sites								
Total	129		129	2			131	

NOTE: Total connections (metered plus flat) should agree with total services in Schedule K.

<b>SCHEDULE N - STORAGE FACILITIES</b>			<b>SCHEDULE O - FOOTAGES OF PIPE (EXCLUDING SERVICE PIPES)</b>							
Description	No.	Combined capacity in gallons	Description	2" and under	2 1/4 to 3 1/4	4"	Other sizes (specify)		Totals	
							6"	8"		
Concrete			Cast Iron				180	150	330	
Earth			Welded steel						0	
Wood			Standard screw						0	
Steel	2	215,000	Cement-asbestos			5,200	7,351		12,551	
Other	3	15,000	Plastic	1,830	1,800	4,573	2,666	1,689	12,558	
			HDPE	150	2,450	992	852		4,444	
									0	
									0	
Total		230,000	Total	1,980	4,250	10,765	11,049	1,839	29,883	

**FACILITY FEES DATA**

Please provide the following information relating to Facility Fees collected for the calendar year 2016, pursuant to Resolution No. W-4110.

1. Trust Account Information:

Bank Name:	<b>North Valley Bank</b>
Address:	<b>793 Redwood Drive, Garberville, CA 95542Garberville, CA 9554</b>
Account Number:	<b>36600721</b>
Date Opened:	<b>c 2001</b>

2. Facilities Fees collected for new connections during the calendar year:

**A. Commercial**

NAME	AMOUNT
_____	_____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

**B. Residential**

NAME	AMOUNT
Christine Miller APN 033-061-018	\$ 6,000
Paul Lefevre APN 033-301-012	\$ 15,000
Cynthia Heras APN 033-341-06	\$ 6,000
Joseph Wolf APN 033-041-023	\$ 12,000
Freeman/Cherry APN 033-011-30	\$ 6,000
Miller/Hoffman 033-061-038	\$ 6,000
Shawn Masterson APN 033-160-014	\$ 6,000
Lynn Anderson APN 003-160-07	\$ 6,000

3. Summary of the bank account activities showing:

	AMOUNT
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 30,216
Deposits during the year	\$ 63,000
Interest earned for calendar year	\$ 6
Withdrawals from this account	\$ 37,719
Balance at end of year	\$ 55,503

4. Reason or Purpose of Withdrawal from this bank account:

Refund of overpayment of facilities fees to Paul Lefevre in the amount of \$9,000
Contributions in Aid of Construction used with new plant assets in the amount of \$28,719.46
_____
_____

**DECLARATION**

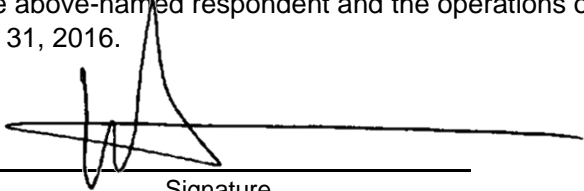
**(PLEASE VERIFY THAT ALL SCHEDULES ARE ACCURATE AND COMPLETE BEFORE SIGNING)**

I, the undersigned Winston B. Benbow  
Officer, Partner, or Owner (Please Print)

of Benbow Water Company  
Name of Utility

under penalty of perjury do declare that this report has been prepared by me, or under my direction, from the books, papers and records of the respondent; that I have carefully examined the same, and declare the same to be a complete and correct statement of the business and affairs of the above-named respondent and the operations of its property for the period of January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016.

President  
Title (Please Print)

  
Signature

(707) 616-7484  
Telephone Number

3/28/2017  
Date