



November 15, 2024

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1451

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California-American Water Company (California American Water) (U210W) submits this advice letter applicable to its Northern Division water customers.

**Purpose:**

This advice letter is to comply with Decision (D.) 21-11-018 which states:

Cal-Am should incorporate the existing ACAM mechanism permanently in the Monterey County District and incorporate the adjustment mechanism approved in D.18-05-027, as part of the step and attrition filings for all districts, excluding (1) the Fruitridge sub-system in the Northern Division for 2022 and 2023; and (2) setting test year rates for the Monterey District.

We find the Settlement, as it relates to Special Request #12, is reasonable in light of the whole record of this proceeding, consistent with the law, and in the public interest, pursuant to the directives adopted the Presiding Officer's Decision Adopting the Phase 3B Settlement Agreement in A.15-07-019, Attachment 2, and D.18-07-010 adopting the Phase 3B Settlement Agreement. The Monterey District ACAM shall be made permanent effective in 2021. The new pilot ACAM across other districts, excluding the Fruitridge sub-system, shall begin in 2021 with an adjustment mechanism that aligns with D.18-07-010. The pilot ACAM shall include the Fruitridge sub-system starting in 2024.<sup>1</sup>

**Background:**

California American Water was authorized to create a pilot (Annual Consumption Adjustment Mechanism ("ACAM")) in its Monterey Service Area in D.18-05-027. D.21-11-018 authorized the ACAM as a permanent program in Monterey, and also authorized California American Water to create new ACAM pilot programs in its Northern, Southern Division, and the Central Satellite service area within the Central Division.

**Request:**

In compliance with D.21-11-018, California American Water requests authority to replace the adopted consumption with the actual consumption and production data (from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024) beginning January 1, 2025, to be used for future rate adjustments, including all annual step and offset filings, until the adopted consumption is updated in the pending GRC proceeding A.22-07-001. The Fruitridge Vista service area will be included in the ACAM when it is fully metered.

California American Water expects a final GRC Decision in A.22-07-001 will be issued in early December 2024. Due to the anticipated timing of the final decision, California American Water

<sup>1</sup>D.21-11-018 at 157

does not anticipate following the typical ACAM process of subsequently filing a Tier 1 advice letter to implement the rates contained herein. Following issuance of the final GRC decision, including resolution of certain issues related to the ACAM in its pending GRC, California American may refile its ACAM filings consistent with the final decision.

**Tier Designation:**

This advice letter is submitted pursuant to General Order No. 96-B and D.21-11-018 and is designated as a Tier 2 filing.

**Effective Date:**

California American Water requests an effective date of January 1, 2025.

**Notice and Service List:**

Customers will be notified by bill text message and by bill inserts for this rate change and other rate changes effective January 1, 2025.

In accordance with General Order 96-B, General Rule 4.3 and 7.2 and Water Industry Rule 4.1, a copy of this advice letter will be transmitted electronically to competing and adjacent utilities and other utilities or interested parties having requested such notification. ***Please note that this advice letter will only be distributed electronically.***

**PROTEST OR RESPONSES:**

Anyone may submit a response or protest for this AL. When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

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<sup>1</sup> 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.
7. 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. A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

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<sup>1</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

DWA must receive a response or protest via email (or postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

**Email Address:**

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

**Mailing Address:**

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

On the same day the response or protest is submitted to DWA, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to California American Water at:

**Email Address:**

[chase.grady@amwater.com](mailto:chase.grady@amwater.com)

**Mailing Address:**

520 Capitol Mall, Suite 630  
Sacramento, CA 95838

[cathy.hongola-baptista@amwater.com](mailto:cathy.hongola-baptista@amwater.com)

555 Montgomery Street, Suite 816  
San Francisco, CA 94111

[jonathan.morse@amwater.com](mailto:jonathan.morse@amwater.com)

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Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform DWA, 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 DWA 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.

The actions requested in this advice letter are not now the subject of any formal filings with the California Public Utilities Commission, including a formal complaint, nor action in any court of law.

This filing will not cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, please contact Chase Grady at (916) 568-4241.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

*/s/ Chase Grady*

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Chase Grady  
Rates and Regulatory Analyst

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Schedule No. ND-1  
Northern Division Tariff Area  
GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 1

**APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to all metered water service.

**NORTHERN DIVISION TARIFF AREA RATES**

**Sacramento Service Area**

**TERRITORY**

The unincorporated communities, subdivisions, and adjacent areas generally known as Cordova, Rosemont, Parkway Estates, Lindale, Foothill Farms, Arlington Heights, Linwood, Loretto Heights, Arden Highlands, Arden Estates and Sunrise Security Park, and Ox-Bow. A part of the City of Citrus Heights and the communities of Antelope and Sabre City in Sacramento and Placer counties. The city of Isleton and vicinity and the unincorporated community of Walnut Grove in Sacramento County. The lower southwestern portion of Placer County, including the areas known as Morgan Creek, Doyle Ranch, Sun Valley Oaks, and Riolo Greens. Dunnigan, along both sides of Interstate 5, between County Roads 2 on the north and County Road 9 on the south, Yolo County. Geyserville and vicinity, Sonoma County. Hillview: Coarsegold Highlands, Raymond, and subdivision in and near Oakhurst, Madera County.

**RATES**

**Quantity Rates:**

	<u>Base Rate</u>	
	<u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
<b><u>Residential Customers:</u></b>		
For the first 74.8 CGL .....	\$0.5099	(R)
For next 74.8 CGL.....	\$0.6836	
For all water delivered over 149.6 CGL .....	\$0.8661	
<b><u>All Other Customers:</u></b>		
For all water delivered, per CGL .....	\$0.5944	(R)

**Service Charge: General Metered**

	<u>Per Meter</u>
	<u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$21.01
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$31.52
For 1-inch meter.....	\$52.53
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$105.05
For 2-inch meter.....	\$168.08
For 3-inch meter.....	\$315.15
For 4-inch meter.....	\$525.25
For 6-inch meter.....	\$1,050.50
For 8-inch meter.....	\$1,680.80
For 10-inch meter.....	\$2,416.16

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all general metered services. It is added to the charge for water furnished, which is based on Quantity Rates.

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Schedule No. ND-1  
Northern Division Tariff Area  
GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 2

**NORTHERN DIVISION TARIFF AREA RATES (Continued):**

**Larkfield Service Area**

**TERRITORY**

The unincorporated areas known as the Larkfield and Wikiup subdivisions and the community of Fulton, three miles north of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

**RATES**

**Quantity Rates:**

	<u>Base Rate</u> <u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>
<b>Residential Customers:</b>	
For the first 37.4 CGL .....	\$0.9273
For the next 97.5 CGL.....	\$0.9659
For the next 55.5 CGL.....	\$1.1108
For all water delivered over 190.4 CGL .....	\$1.2605
 <b><u>All Other Customers:</u></b>	
For all water delivered, per CGL .....	\$0.9659

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**Service Charge: General Metered**

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$18.78
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$28.17
For 1-inch meter.....	\$46.96
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$93.91
For 2-inch meter.....	\$150.26
For 3-inch meter.....	\$281.74
For 4-inch meter.....	\$469.57
For 6-inch meter.....	\$939.14
For 8-inch meter.....	\$1,502.62
For 10-inch meter.....	\$2,160.02

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all general metered services. It is added to the charge for water furnished, which is based on the Quantity Rates.

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Northern Division Tariff Area  
GENERAL METERED SERVICES

Sheet 3

**NORTHERN DIVISION TARIFF AREA RATES (Continued):**

**Meadowbrook Service Area**

**TERRITORY**

The unincorporated area known as Meadowbrook Tract, including Nos. 1 and 2, located approximately 1-1/2 miles northwest of the city of Merced, Merced County.

**RATES**

**Quantity Rates:**

<u>Residential Customers:</u>	<u>Base Rate</u> <u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
For the first 34 CGL .....	\$0.2971	(R)
For the next 24 CGL.....	\$0.3127	
For all water delivered over 58 CGL .....	\$0.3485	
<b><u>All Other Customers</u></b>		
For all water delivered per CGL	\$0.3127	(R)

**Service Charge: General Metered**

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$21.89
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$32.83
For 1-inch meter.....	\$54.71
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$109.43
For 2-inch meter.....	\$175.08
For 3-inch meter.....	\$328.28
For 4-inch meter.....	\$547.13
For 6-inch meter.....	\$1,094.26

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge, which is applicable to all general metered services and to which is added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. XXXXX-W  
Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 10954-W

Schedule No. ND-HV-9M  
Northern Division Tariff Area  
MEASURED SERVICES FOR TRUCKS

Sheet 1

**APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to all tank truck water sales.

**NORTHERN DIVISION TARIFF AREA RATES**

**Hillview Service Area**

**TERRITORY**

Hillview Service Area including Coarsegold Highlands, Raymond, and subdivisions in and near Oakhurst, Madera County.

**RATES**

	<u>Per 1</u> <u>CGL</u> (100 gal.)	
For all water delivered, per CGL .....	\$0.5944	(R)

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

1. All bills subject to reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

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Schedule No. CA-CAP  
California American Water  
CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Sheet 1

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to individually metered and flat rate residential customers, qualified non-profit group living facilities, qualified agricultural employee housing facilities, and migrant farm worker housing centers where the customer meets all the special conditions of this schedule.

TERRITORY

All territories served by California American Water Company

RATES:

**Northern Division:  
Sacramento Service Area**

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u> <u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
For the first 74.8 CGL .....	\$0.4079	(R)
For next 74.8 CGL.....	\$0.5469	
For all water delivered over 149.6 CGL .....	\$0.8661	(R)

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter.....	\$16.81
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$25.21
For 1-inch meter.....	\$42.02
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$84.04
For 2-inch meter.....	\$134.46
For 3-inch meter.....	\$252.12
For 4-inch meter.....	\$420.20
For 6-inch meter.....	\$840.40
For 8-inch meter.....	\$1,344.64
For 10-inch meter.....	\$1,932.92

**Larkfield Service Area**

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u> <u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
For the first 37.4 CGL .....	\$0.7418	(R)
For the next 97.5 CGL.....	\$0.7727	
For the next 55.5 CGL.....	\$1.1108	
For all water delivered over 190.4 CGL .....	\$1.2605	(R)

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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Sheet 3

RATES (Continued):

**Meadowbrook Service Area**

Quantity Rates:

	<u>Base Rate</u>	
	<u>Per 100 gal (CGL)</u>	
For the first 34 CGL.....	\$0.2377	(R)
For the first 24 CGL.....	\$0.2502	(R)
For all water delivered over 58 CGL .....	\$0.3485	(R)

Service Charge: General Metered

	<u>Per Meter</u>
	<u>Per Month</u>
For 5/8 to 3/4-inch meter.....	\$17.51
For 3/4-inch meter.....	\$26.26
For 1-inch meter.....	\$43.77
For 1-1/2-inch meter.....	\$87.54
For 2-inch meter.....	\$140.07
For 3-inch meter.....	\$262.62
For 4-inch meter.....	\$437.71
For 6-inch meter.....	\$875.41

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**CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY**

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