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<u>VIA EMAIL ONLY</u> EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Advice Letter 238-E (U 933-E)

California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division, Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

Subject: Liberty's Tariff Reflecting Updated Income Eligibility Levels for the

California Alternate Rates for Energy Program and the Energy Savings

Assistance Program

Pursuant to Decision 12-08-044, Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U 933-E) ("Liberty") requests California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") approval to revise its tariffs to update the income eligibility guidelines for the California Alternate Rates for Energy ("CARE") Program and the Energy Savings Assistance ("ESA") Program.

Background

In a letter dated April 15, 2024, Gillian Weaver, on behalf of Leuwam Tesfai, Deputy Executive Director, Energy and Climate Policy / Director of Energy Division requested that energy utilities file revised tariffs with Energy Division reflecting the new income levels.

Proposed Changes

Liberty seeks to implement the new income levels provided in the letter from Energy Division. All tariffs, internet sites, and printed materials about CARE and ESA Programs will display the revised income eligibility guidelines and their effective dates, for household sizes of 1-8 persons in alignment with Federal Poverty Guidelines.

The 2024-2025 income limits for CARE and ESA are provided below for household sizes of 1-8 persons.

Effective June 1, 2024, to May 31, 2025, CARE Programs' income limits are as follows:

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Table 1: CARE Income Guidelines

Household Size	Income Eligibility Upper Limit *
1-2	\$40,880
3	\$51,640
4	\$62,400
5	\$73,160
6	\$83,920
7	\$94,680
8	\$105,440
Each Additional Person	\$10,760
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^{*}Upper Limit Calculation = 200% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Effective June 1, 2024, to May 31, 2025, ESA Programs' income limits are as follows:

Table 2: ESA Income Guidelines

Household Size	Income Eligibility Upper Limit *	
1	\$37,650	
2	\$51,100	
3	\$64,550	
4	\$78,000	
5	\$91,450	
6	\$104,900	
7	\$118,350	
8	\$131,800	
Each Additional Person	\$13,450	
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Effective Date

Liberty CalPeco requests that this Tier 1 advice filing become effective June 1, 2024.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this filing may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, by facsimile or by email, any of which must be received no later than **May 20, 2024**, which is 20 days after the date of this filing. The protest shall set forth the grounds upon which it is based and shall be submitted expeditiously. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. Protests should be mailed to:

California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division, Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94102-3298 Facsimile: (415) 703-2200 Email: edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov Energy Division Tariff Unit California Public Utilities Commission April 30, 2024 Page 3

The protest also should be sent via email and U.S. Mail (and by facsimile, if possible) to Liberty at the addresses show below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC Attn.: Advice Letter Protests 933 Eloise Avenue South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Email: CaseAdmin@libertyutilities.com

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section 4.3, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically to parties shown on the attached list.

If additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me at Dan.Marsh@libertyutilities.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dan Marsh

Dan Marsh Senior Manager, Rates and Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

cc: Liberty Utilities General Order 96 –B Advice Letter Service List

Canceling 14th Revised CPUC Sheet No. 87
CPUC Sheet No. 87
CPUC Sheet No. 87

SCHEDULE NO. CARE CARE DOMESTIC SERVICE (Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

- 2. Baseline Quantities. (Continued)
 - (3) Life support devices means those devices which utilize mechanical or artificial means to sustain, restore, or supplant a vital function, or mechanical equipment which is relied upon for mobility both within and outside building. Life support devices or equipment include those listed in PUC Section 739.2.
 - D. Limitation. Space heating quantities shall be available only where a minimum of 80% of available living area is heated by permanently installed electric space heating equipment. Partial quantities will not be offered.
- 3. CARE Program. The California Alternate Rates for Energy ("CARE") is a program of assistance to low-income electric customers. The assistance is in the form of discounted rates that are listed above.
 - i) Eligibility for CARE. A household eligible for CARE is one in which the total annual gross income from all sources is not more than what is shown on the following table that is based on the number of persons living in the household. For the period of June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025, the combined income of all persons from all sources, both taxable and non-taxable, shall be no more than:

Number of Persons Living in

<u>Household</u>	Total Annual Gross Income	
1 or 2	\$40,880	(I)
3	\$51,640	Ï
4	\$62,400	
5	\$73,160	
6	\$83,920	
7	\$94,680	
8	\$105,440	(I)

For households with more than eight persons, add \$10,760 for each additional person. (I)

A person who is claimed as a dependent on another person's income tax return is not eligible for service under this rate schedule. Pursuant to CPUC 739.4, the above annual gross income levels are subject to revision subsequent to the Commission's establishment of new rates on or before May 1 of each year.

A. Application and Eligibility Declaration. An application and eligibility declaration on a form authorized by the Commission is required for each request for service under this rate schedule.

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			Resolution No.	

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Canceling 13th Revised CPUC Sheet No. 98

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SCHEDULE NO. EXPCARE EXPANDED CARE SERVICE TO QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEE HOUSING AND NONPROFIT GROUP LIVING FACILITIES

APPLICABILITY

This schedule provides a California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) rate discount to qualified nonprofit group living facilities, migrant farm worker housing centers, privately owned employee housing, or agricultural employee housing operated by nonprofit organizations, and is taken in conjunction with the customer's otherwise applicable service schedule.

TERRITORY

Entire California Service Area.

RATES

Qualifying customers will receive a 20% discount on all customer, demand, and energy charges on their otherwise applicable service schedule. In addition, such customers will not be charged the CARE Surcharge.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. APPLICABLE CONDITIONS

All special conditions contained in the customer's otherwise applicable schedule are applicable to service under this schedule.

2. NONPROFIT GROUP LIVING FACILITIES

a. To be eligible for service under this schedule, the total gross annual income, both taxable and non-taxable, from all sources from each resident residing in the nonprofit group living facility may not exceed the Commission's CARE eligibility income level established for June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025 as shown below for a single-person household, and each resident may not be claimed as a dependent on another person's income tax return.

Total Gross Annual Income **(T)**

Each Resident \$40,880 (I)

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California Public Utilities Commission

ADVICE LETTER



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MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)		
Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U-933-E)		
Utility type: ✓ ELC	Contact Person: Dan Marsh Phone #: 530-721-2435 E-mail: Dan.Marsh@libertyutilities.com E-mail Disposition Notice to: AnnMarie.Sanchez@libertyutilities.com	
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)	
Advice Letter (AL) #: 238-E	Tier Designation: 1	
Subject of AL: Liberty Utilities Tariff Reflecting Up Energy Program and the Energy Sav	odated Income Eligibility Levels for the California Alternate Rates for vings Assistance Program	
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): CARE AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual	al One-Time Other:	
If AL submitted in compliance with a Commissis D.12-08-044	on order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:	
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? I	f so, identify the prior AL: $_{ m No}$	
Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:		
Confidential treatment requested? Yes No If yes, specification of confidential information: Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/access to confidential information: Resolution required? Yes No		
Requested effective date: 6/1/24	No. of tariff sheets: 2	
Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): n/a		
Estimated system average rate effect (%): n/a		
When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).		
Tariff schedules affected: Schedule No. CARE Schedule No. EXPCA	RE	
Service affected and changes proposed $^{ ext{l:}}$ $_{ ext{N/A}}$		
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: $_{ m N/A}$		

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

CPUC, Energy Division Attention: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

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Name: AnnMarie Sanchez

Title: Coordinator

Utility Name: Liberty Utilities (California)

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ENERGY Advice Letter Keywords

Affiliate	Direct Access	Preliminary Statement	
Agreements	Disconnect Service	Procurement	
Agriculture	ECAC / Energy Cost Adjustment	Qualifying Facility	
Avoided Cost	EOR / Enhanced Oil Recovery	Rebates	
Balancing Account	Energy Charge	Refunds	
Baseline	Energy Efficiency	Reliability	
Bilingual	Establish Service	Re-MAT/Bio-MAT	
Billings	Expand Service Area	Revenue Allocation	
Bioenergy	Forms	Rule 21	
Brokerage Fees	Franchise Fee / User Tax	Rules	
CARE	G.O. 131-D	Section 851	
CPUC Reimbursement Fee	GRC / General Rate Case	Self Generation	
Capacity	Hazardous Waste	Service Area Map	
Cogeneration	Increase Rates	Service Outage	
Compliance	Interruptible Service	Solar	
Conditions of Service	Interutility Transportation	Standby Service	
Connection	LIEE / Low-Income Energy Efficiency	Storage	
Conservation	LIRA / Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance	Street Lights	
Consolidate Tariffs	Late Payment Charge	Surcharges	
Contracts	Line Extensions	Tariffs	
Core	Memorandum Account	Taxes	
Credit	Metered Energy Efficiency	Text Changes	
Curtailable Service	Metering	Transformer	
Customer Charge	Mobile Home Parks	Transition Cost	
Customer Owned Generation	Name Change	Transmission Lines	
Decrease Rates	Non-Core	Transportation Electrification	
Demand Charge	Non-firm Service Contracts	Transportation Rates	
Demand Side Fund	Nuclear	Undergrounding	
Demand Side Management	Oil Pipelines	Voltage Discount	
Demand Side Response	PBR / Performance Based Ratemaking	Wind Power	
Deposits	Portfolio	Withdrawal of Service	
Depreciation	Power Lines		