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VIA EMAIL ONLY

Advice Letter No. 179-E (U 933-E)

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

Subject: Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account ("BRRBA")

Pursuant to D.12-11-030 and Section 8 of its tariff, Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U 933 E) ("Liberty") hereby submits this **Tier 2** Advice Letter ("AL") updating the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") on the status of Liberty's Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account ("BRRBA").

I. <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this advice letter is to update the Commission on the status of Liberty's BRRBA and to request authority to maintain the BRRBA rates at levels authorized in AL 158-E-A.

II. <u>Background</u>

In accordance with its tariffs, Liberty is authorized to maintain the BRRBA, which records the difference between Liberty's authorized base rate revenue requirement and the recorded base rate revenue.

The disposition of the balance in the BRRBA is to be addressed in a Tier 2 advice letter if the amount in the BRRBA as of September 30 is +/-5% of the authorized base rate revenue requirement for the preceding 12-month period. Liberty's BRRBA balance as of September 30, 2021 is \$38.172 million, which is approximately 54.8% of the currently authorized base rate revenue requirement of \$69.718 million.

The Commission approved Liberty's 2021 BRRBA Advice Letter (AL 158-E-A) effective March 1, 2021. Liberty updated its BRRBA rates on April 1, 2021. Based on the approval of AL 158-E-A, Liberty will recover a total of \$39.186 million over three years.

III. <u>Request</u>

Liberty requests that no change be made to its authorized BRRBA rates at this time. The current rates, based on the September 30, 2020 BRRBA balance of \$39.186 million, were recently adopted and have begun lowering the BRRBA balance. Liberty's peak usage occurs during the

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winter, and because the BRRBA rates are volumetric, BRRBA will be recovered at a higher rate in the winter months ahead. Therefore, Liberty anticipates that the percentage ratio of the BRRBA to the authorized base rate revenue requirement will significantly decrease during Q4 of 2021 through Q1 of 2022. Liberty will continue to monitor the balance recorded in the BRRBA during 2022 and will propose any necessary adjustment to BRRBA rates in a subsequent Tier 2 advice letter filing.

Effective Date

Liberty requests that this **Tier 2** advice letter be effective as of November 30, 2021.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this advice letter may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, facsimile, or email, any of which must be received no later than November 18, 2021, which is 20 days after the date of this advice letter. There are no restrictions on who may submit a protest, but the protest shall set forth the grounds upon which it is based and shall be submitted expeditiously. 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: <u>edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>

The protest should also be sent via email and U.S. mail to Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC at the address shown 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: Dan.Marsh@libertyutilities.com

<u>Notice</u>

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 service list.

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If additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

LIBERTY UTILITIES (CALPECO ELECTRIC) LLC

<u>/s/ Daniel W. Marsh</u> Daniel W. Marsh Senior Manager, Rates and Regulatory Affairs

cc: Liberty General Order 96-B Service List

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Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC Advice Letter Filing Service List General Order 96-B, Section 4.3

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ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY ENERGY



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 GAS WATER PLC HEAT	Contact Person: Dan Marsh Phone #: 530-721-2435 E-mail: Dan.Marsh@libertvutilities.com E-mail Disposition Notice to: Dan.Marsh@libertvutilities.com		
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE ELC = Electric GAS = Gas PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat WATER = Water	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)		
Advice Letter (AL) #: 179-E	Tier Designation: 2		
Subject of AL: Base Revenue Requirement Balancia	ng Account ("BRRBA")		
Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Balancing Account AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other: If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.12-11-030			
Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: $_{ m No}$			
Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL: ${ m N/A}$			
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: $11/30/21$ No. of tariff sheets: 0			
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: n/a			
Service affected and changes proposed ^{1:}			
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:			

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 Email: <u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>	Name: Dan Marsh Title: Sr. Manager, Rates and Regulatory Affairs Utility Name: Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC Address: 9750 Washburn Road City: Downey State: California Telephone (xxx) xxx-xxxx: 530-721-2435 Facsimile (xxx) xxx-xxxx: Email: Dan.Marsh@libertyutilities.com
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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	