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

Advice Letter No. 203-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

Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U 933 E) ("Liberty") hereby submits this **Tier 2** Advice Letter ("AL") requesting the authority to recover the balance in its Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account ("BRRBA") in accordance with Section 8 of the Preliminary Statement in Liberty's tariff.¹

I. <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this filing is to request the authority to recover Liberty's residential allocated BRRBA balance over a 12-month period from residential customers and a 36-month period for the commercial allocated BRRBA balance from commercial customers effective January 1, 2023.

II. Coordination with Other Pending Rate Change

Liberty currently has several pending rate changes, some of which may also be approved for the January 1, 2023, effective date requested in this advice letter. In the event that multiple rate changes are approved this year, Liberty will make the necessary compliance submissions, including revised tariffs to implement the rate changes and effectuate the new rates requested in this advice letter and other proceedings as of January 1, 2023. If the other rate change approvals do not occur in time to effectuate the revised rates on January 1, 2023, Liberty CalPeco will submit revised tariff sheets based on the rate changes requested in this advice letter to become effective on January 1, 2023, upon approval of this advice letter.

III. Background

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.

D.12-11-030 established Liberty's BRRBA tariff.

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The disposition of the balance in the BRRBA is to be addressed in a Tier 2 advice letter only if the amount in the BRRBA as of September 30 is +/-5% of the authorized base rate revenue requirement for preceding 12-month period. Liberty's BRRBA balance as of September 30, 2022 is \$33.081 million, which is approximately 48% of the currently authorized base rate revenue requirement of \$68.884 million.

IV. Request

A. Recovery of the Balance in the BRRBA

The recorded BRRBA for the commercial customer class (A-1, A-2, A-3, and PA) was \$31.561 million as of September 30, 2022. The recorded BRRBA balance for the residential customer class (D-1, SL, and OL) was \$1.52 million as of September 30, 2022.

Liberty proposes to continue to use two BRRBA rates—one for the commercial customer class and one for the residential customer class—based on the above BRRBA balances and Liberty's authorized sales forecast for the commercial customer class and the residential customer class.

Liberty requests recovery of the BRRBA as set forth in the table below. Liberty proposes a 12-month amortization period to recover the \$1.520 million under-collection for residential customers and a 36-month amortization period to recover the \$31.561 million under-collection for commercial customers, effective January 1, 2023.

Calculation of BRRBA Rate	by (Customer	Class	Group
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				Proposed
	Authorized Sales	Allocated	Annual	BRRBA Rate
	(kWh)	BRRBA Balance	Recovery	(per kWh)
Residential (D-1)	295,267,000	\$1,514,769	\$1,514,769	0.00513
Outdoor Lights (OL)	636,000	3,263	\$3,263	0.00513
Street Lights (SL)	354,000	1,816	\$1,816	0.00513
Total Residential	296,257,000	\$1,519,848	\$1,519,848	0.00513
A-1	101,667,000	\$11,013,993	\$3,671,331	0.03611
A-2	69,391,000	7,517,405	\$2,505,802	0.03611
A-3	119,457,000	12,941,255	\$4,313,752	0.03611
PA	819,000	88,726	\$29,575	0.03611
Total Commercial	291,334,000	\$31,561,378	\$10,520,459	0.03611
Grand Total	587,591,000	33,081,226	\$12,040,307	

B. Rates

The proposed BRRBA rates will replace the currently authorized BRRBA rates. The table below

provides a comparison of the current and proposed BRRBA rates by rate schedule.

Comparison of Authorized vs Proposed BRRBA Rates (per kWh)

	Authorized	Proposed
Residential (D-1)	0.00185	0.00513
Outdoor Lights (OL)	0.00185	0.00513
Street Lights (SL)	0.00185	0.00513
A-1	0.03054	0.03611
A-2	0.03054	0.03611
A-3	0.03054	0.03611
PA	0.03054	0.03611

The table below provides the bill impact by customer class.

	Current Bill	Revised Bill	Increase
Residential	\$92.98	\$94.83	2.0%
Residential - CARE	71.87	\$73.80	2.7%
A-3	33,372.60	\$34,371.29	3.0%
A-1	321.76	\$330.52	2.7%
A-2	4,633.41	\$4,760.66	2.7%
PA	485.34	\$505.29	4.1%
SL	20.53	20.68	0.7%
OLS	12.88	13.03	1.2%

Effective Date

Liberty requests that this **Tier 2** advice letter be effective as of November 30, 2022.

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 20, 2022 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:

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> 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

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: 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 service list.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Cynthia Fisher

Cynthia Fisher 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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MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)			
Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Liberty Utiliti	es (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U-933 E)		
Utility type: GAS WATER PLC HEAT	Contact Person: Cindy Fisher Phone #: 530-721-5191 E-mail: Cindy.Fisher@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 WATER = Water	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)		
Advice Letter (AL) #: 203-E	Tier Designation: 2		
Subject of AL: Base Revenue Requirement Balancing 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 #:			
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Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: $_{ m N/A}$			
Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL: $ m N/A$			
Confidential treatment requested? Yes V 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: 11/30/22	No. of tariff sheets:		
Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): $_{ m N/A}$			
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:			
Service affected and changes proposed $^{\scriptscriptstyle 1:}$ $_{ m N/A}$			
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:

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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
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Consolidate Tariffs	Late Payment Charge	Surcharges
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Core	Memorandum Account	Taxes
Credit	Metered Energy Efficiency	Text Changes
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Demand Side Management	Oil Pipelines	Voltage Discount
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Deposits	Portfolio	Withdrawal of Service
Depreciation	Power Lines	