

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY  
ENERGY UTILITY**

**MUST BE COMPLETED BY LSE (Attach additional pages as needed)**

Company name/CPUC Utility No. **Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U 933-E)**

Utility type:

- ELC       GAS  
 PLC       HEAT       WATER

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**EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE**

ELC = Electric      GAS = Gas  
 PLC = Pipeline      HEAT = Heat      WATER = Water

(Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 83-E

Subject of AL: Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U 933-E) –Tier Designation:  1  2  3

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):

AL filing type:  Monthly  Quarterly  Annual  One-Time  Other

If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution:

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:

Resolution Required?  Yes  No

Requested effective date: November 30, 2017

No. of tariff sheets:

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): \_\_\_\_

Estimated system average rate effect (%): \_\_\_\_

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: N/A

Pending Advice Letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A

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

**CPUC, Energy Division Utility Info (including e-mail)**

**Attention: Tariff Unit**  
**505 Van Ness Ave.,**  
**San Francisco, CA 94102**  
[edtarriffunit@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:edtarriffunit@cpuc.ca.gov)

**Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC**  
**Attention: Advice Letter Protests**  
**933 Eloise Avenue**  
**South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150**  
**Email: Dan.Marsh@libertyutilities.com**



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**VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL**

October 30, 2017

**Advice Letter No. 83-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 CalPeco”) hereby submits this **Tier 2** Advice Letter No. 83-E 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 the Liberty CalPeco’s Tariff.

**I. Purpose**

The purpose of this filing is to request the authority to recover the balance in Liberty CalPeco’s BRRBA over a twenty-four (24) month period effective January 1, 2018.

**II. Coordination with Other Pending Liberty CalPeco Rate Requests**

Liberty CalPeco currently has an Energy Cost Adjustment Clause application (A.17-07-001) (“ECAC Application”) and Advice Letter No. 82-E 2018 Post-Test Year Adjustment Mechanism (“PTAM Advice Letter”) pending before the Commission. Liberty CalPeco’s tariffs provide that the revisions to rates for the ECAC Application and PTAM Advice Letter will become effective as of January 1, 2018.

Assuming a final decision is issued on schedule that enables the revised rates for Liberty CalPeco’s ECAC Application to become effective January 1, 2018 and the PTAM Advice Letter is approved effective as of November 15, 2017, Liberty CalPeco intends to timely make the necessary compliance submissions, including presenting revised tariffs to implement the rate changes and enable the new rates being requested in this Advice Letter, the ECAC Application, and the PTAM Advice Letter to become effective as of January 1, 2018.

In any event, even if the decision in the ECAC Application is not issued in time to enable the revised rates to become effective January 1, 2018 and/or the PTAM Advice Letter is not approved with an effective date of November 15, 2017, Liberty CalPeco shall supplement this Advice Letter by submitting revised tariff sheets based on the rate changes to become effective as of January 1, 2018.

### **III. Background**

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

The disposition of the balance in the BRRBA will be addressed in a Tier 2 Advice Letter only if the amount in the BRRBA as of September 30<sup>th</sup> is +/-5% of the authorized Base Rate Revenue Requirement for to the preceding fifteen (15) months.

### **IV. Request**

#### **A. Recovery of the Balance in the BRRBA**

The BRRBA as of September 30, 2017 was \$9,026,803, or 14.77% of Liberty CalPeco's Base Rate Revenue Requirement for the preceding fifteen months. The balance in the BRRBA increased significantly in 2017 due to the 2016-2017 winter, which created one of the largest snow packs in California history. This large snow pack buried roads and ski lifts, forcing some ski resorts to close during what should have been the busiest days of January resulting in lower than projected base rate revenues.

Calpeco is requesting recovery of the BRRBA as set forth in Table 1 below. Deviating from its tariffs, Liberty CalPeco is requesting that the recovery of the \$9,026,803 be over a twenty-four (24) month period effective January 1, 2018 rather than over a twelve (12) month period effective October 1, 2017. The new rate results in an average annual increase of 5.27% to overall authorized revenue requirement.

**Table 1**  
**Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account by Rate Schedule**  
**As of September 30, 2017**

Rate Schedule	Schedule Number	Balance
Domestic Service	D-1	\$ 3,539,044
Small General Service	A-1	2,794,197
Medium General Service	A-2	(1,833,045)
Large General Service	A-3	3,876,010
Optional Interruptible Irrigation Service	PA	352,955
Street Lighting	SL/OL	287,140
Outdoor Lighting	SL/OL	<u>10,502</u>
		<u><u>\$ 9,026,803</u></u>

**B. Rates**

Table 2, below, provides the resulting rate by rate schedule, of the \$9,026,803 balance in the BRRBA.

**Table 2**  
**Rates by Rate Schedule**

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Schedule Number</u>	<u>\$ / kWh</u>
Domestic Service	D-1	0.00589
Small General Service	A-1	0.01256
Medium General Service	A-2	(0.01635)
Large General Service	A-3	0.01440
Optional Interruptible Irrigation Service	PA	0.09131
Street Lighting	SL/OL	0.41483
Outdoor Lighting	SL/OL	0.00808

**Effective Date**

Liberty CalPeco requests that this **Tier 2** Advice Letter be effective as of November 30, 2017. Approval as of this date will enable Liberty CalPeco to submit the necessary Tier 1 Advice Letter containing the revised tariff sheets to be effective as of January 1, 2018 with the approved changes associated with this Advice Letter, the PTAM Advice Letter, and the ECAC Application.

**Protests**

Anyone wishing to protest this Advice Letter may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, by facsimile or by email, any of which must be received no later than November 28, 2017, 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, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94102-3298  
Facsimile: (415) 703-2200  
Email: [edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov)

Energy Division Tariff Unit  
California Public Utilities Commission  
October 30, 2017  
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The protest should be sent via email and U.S. Mail (and by facsimile, if possible) 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  
Fax: 530-544-4811  
Email: Dan.Marsh@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 lists

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Rule 4.2, Liberty CalPeco is providing customers notice through bill inserts and also by printing notices in newspapers of general circulation.

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

Respectfully submitted,

LIBERTY UTILITIES (CALPECO ELECTRIC) LLC

/s/ Daniel W. Marsh

Daniel W. Marsh  
Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC  
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cc: Liberty CalPeco General Order 96-B Service List

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

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