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#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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June 8, 2023

Tiffany Thong Manger, Rates and Regulatory Affairs Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp. 9750 Washburn Road Downey, CA 90241

Dear Ms. Thong,

The Water Division of the California Public Utilities Commission has approved Liberty Utilities' (Park Water) Advice Letter No. 335, filed on May 15, 2023, regarding authorization to implement rates for escalation year 2023 as authorized by the Commission in Ordering Paragraph No. 7 of D.23-02-003.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets, effective July 1, 2023, for the utility's files:

P.U.C.	
Sheet No.	Title of Sheet
1611-W	Schedule No. PR-1-NR
	Non-Residential Metered Service, Sheet 1
1612-W	Schedule No. PR-1-R
	Residential Metered Service, Sheet 1
1613-W	Schedule No. PR-4F
	Non-Metered Fire Sprinkler Service, Sheet 1
1614-W	Schedule No. PR-6
	Reclaimed Water Service, Sheet 1
1615-W	Table Of Contents, Sheet 1

Please contact Jefferson Hancock at JHO@cpuc.ca.gov or 415-703-3453, if you have any questions.

Thank you.

**Enclosures** 

# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

## **Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

**Date Mailed to Service List:** May 15, 2023

**Utility Name:** Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp.

District:	N/A	4							
CPUC Utility #:	U 3	14-W	/				Protest	Deadline (20 <sup>th</sup> Day):	June 4, 2023
Advice Letter #:	335	-W					Review	Deadline (30 <sup>th</sup> Day):	June 14, 2023
Tier	$\boxtimes$	1	□2	□3	□ Compliance		Reque	sted Effective Date:	July 1, 2023
Authorization	D.2	3-02-	003					Rate Impact:	\$1,519,922
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Advice Letter No. 335-W

May 15, 2023

## TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp. (U 314-W) ("Liberty Park Water") hereby transmits the attached revised tariff sheets applicable to water service in its service territory.

## **Summary**

The purpose of this advice letter is to implement rates for escalation year 2023 as authorized by the Commission in Ordering Paragraph No. 7 of D.23-02-003 (A.21-07-003, et al.).

The escalation year 2023 revenue increase of \$1,519,922 or 3.75% was calculated using the adopted quantities from D.23-02-003 in accordance with the procedures contained in the Rate Case Plan for Class A water utilities (D.07-05-062, Section VII. Escalation and Attrition Advice Letter Procedure). The Commission Staff has been provided with workpapers showing the calculation of the escalation year increase.

The adopted rate of return of 7.35%, specified in D.23-02-003 was adjusted to 7.56% to coincide with the pro-forma 12-month period ending March 31, 2023. A summary of earnings for this period, on both a pro-forma and recorded basis, is contained in the workpapers.

The pro-forma rate of return of 6.93% is less than the adjusted rate of return of 7.56% specified in D.23-02-003. A summary of earnings for this period, on both a pro-forma and recorded basis, is contained in the workpapers.

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 7 of D.23-02-003, this escalation filing is classified as a Tier 1 advice letter.

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

## **Requested Effective Date**

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 7 of D.23-02-003, Liberty Park Water requests this filing become effective July 1, 2023.

## **Notice and Service**

In accordance with General Order 96-B, General Rules 4.3 and 7.2 and Water Industry Rule 4.1, a copy of this advice letter will be mailed or electronically transmitted on May 15, 2023 to competing and adjacent utilities and other utilities or interested parties having requested such notification.

Customer notification of this rate increase was previously accomplished in A.21-07-003, et al. as required by Rule No. 3.2 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Additional public notice of this filing is not required.

## **Response or Protest**

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the advice letter. A protest objects to the advice letter in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds are:

- (1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter;
- (2) The relief requested in the advice letter 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 advice letter contain material error or omissions;
- (4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- (5) The relief requested in the advice letter requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the advice letter process; or
- (6) The relief requested in the advice letter is unjust, unreasonable, or discriminatory (provided that such a protest may not be made where it would require re-litigating a prior order of the Commission).

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

A response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Commission's Water Division within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The address for mailing or delivering a protest is:

Tariff Unit, Water Division, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102 Water.division@cpuc.ca.gov On the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy by mail (or e-mail) to us, addressed to:

Tiffany Thong Manager, Rates and Regulatory Affairs Liberty Utilities 9750 Washburn Road P. O. Box 7002 Downey, CA 90241

Phone: (562) 923-0711 Fax: (562) 861-5902

E-Mail: AdviceLetterService@libertyutilities.com

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Division of Water and Audits 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.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, contact Tiffany Thong at Tiffany.Thong@libertyutilities.com.

Very truly yours,

LIBERTY UTILITIES (PARK WATER) CORP.

/s/ Tiffany Thong
TIFFANY THONG
Manager, Rates and Regulatory Affairs

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Attachments

## Attachment 1 Advice 335-W

Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal P.U.C. Sheet No.
1611-W	SCHEDULE NO. PR-1-NR NON-RESIDENTIAL METERED SERVICE Sheet 1	1592-W
1612-W	SCHEDULE NO. PR-1-R RESIDENTIAL METERED SERVICE Sheet 1	1593-W
1613-W	SCHEDULE NO. PR-4F NON-METERED FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICE Sheet 1	1594-W
1614-W	SCHEDULE NO. PR-6 RECLAIMED WATER SERVICE Sheet 1	1595-W
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Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1611-W Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1592-W

#### **SCHEDULE NO. PR-1-NR**

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## **NON-RESIDENTIAL METERED SERVICE**

#### **APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to all metered water services except that provided to single-family residential customers.

### **TERRITORY**

Within all service areas of Los Angeles County as delineated in the service area maps included in the tariff schedules.

#### **RATES**

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Per Month	
\$ 37.69	(I)
\$ 56.54	T
\$ 94.23	
\$ 188.45	
\$ 301.52	
\$ 565.35	
\$ 942.25	
\$1,884.50	
\$3,015.20	
\$4,334.35	
\$6,218.85	(İ)
	Per Month\$ 37.69\$ 56.54\$ 94.23\$ 188.45\$ 565.35\$ 942.25\$ 1,884.50\$3,015.20\$4,334.35

This Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered services and to which is to be added the monthly charge computed at the Quantity Rates.

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- 1. All charges under this schedule to customers in the City of Norwalk are subject to a surcharge of 2.04 percent.
- 2. A late charge will be imposed per Schedule No. LC.
- In accordance with Section 2714 of the Public Utilities Code, if a tenant in a rental unit leaves owing the Company, service to subsequent tenants in that unit will, at the Company's option, be furnished on the account of the landlord or property owner.
- 4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1612-W Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1593-W

## **SCHEDULE NO. PR-1-R**

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#### RESIDENTIAL METERED SERVICE

#### **APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to all metered water services provided to single-family residential customers.

#### **TERRITORY**

Within all service areas of Los Angeles County as delineated in the service area maps included in the tariff schedules.

#### **RATES**

#### **Quantity Rates:**

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628	(I)
Per Meter	
Per Month	
\$ 37.69	(I)
\$ 56.54	Ĭ
\$ 301.52	
\$ 565.35	
\$ 942.25	
\$1,884.50	
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\$4,334.35	
\$6,218.85	(I)
	Per Month \$ 37.69 \$ 56.54

This Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge, which is applicable to all metered services and to which is to be added the monthly charge computed at the Quantity Rates.

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- 1. All charges under this schedule to customers in the City of Norwalk are subject to a surcharge of 2.04 percent.
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- 4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1613-W Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1594-W

#### **SCHEDULE NO. PR-4F**

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## **NON-METERED FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICE**

#### **APPLICABILITY**

Applicable for water service to privately-owned non-metered fire-sprinkler systems and hydrants where water is to be used only in case of fire.

#### **TERRITORY**

Within all service areas in Los Angeles County as delineated on the service area maps included in the tariff schedules.

#### **RATES**

Service Charge: For 2-inch meter	Per Meter <u>Per Month</u> \$ 26.88 <b>(I)</b>
For 3-inch meter	
For 4-inch meter	63.37
For 6-inch meter	108.26
For 8-inch meter	166.91
For 10-inch meter	242.56
For 12-inch meter	

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- 1. The fire protection service connection shall be installed by the utility at the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.
- 2. The minimum diameter for fire protection service shall be two (2) inches, and the maximum diameter shall be not more than the diameter of the main to which the service is connected.
- 3. If a distribution main of adequate size to serve a private fire protection system in addition to all other normal service does not exist in the street or alley adjacent to the premises to be served then a service main from the nearest main of adequate capacity shall be installed by the utility and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.

Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1614-W Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1595-W

## **SCHEDULE NO. PR-6**

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#### **RECLAIMED WATER SERVICE**

#### **APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to all meter reclaimed water service.

For all water delivered per 100 cubic feet

#### **TERRITORY**

Within all service areas in Los Angeles County as delineated on the service area maps included in the tariff schedules.

#### **RATES**

**Quantity Rate:** 

	Ρ	er Meter	
Service Charge:	<u>P</u>	er Month	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter		37.69	(I)
For ¾-inch meter	. \$	56.54	
For 1-inch meter	. \$	94.23	
For 1 ½-inch meter		188.45	
For 2-inch meter	. \$	301.52	
For 3-inch meter	. \$	565.35	
For 4-inch meter	. \$	942.25	
For 6-inch meter			
For 8-inch meter	. \$3	3,015.20	
For 10-inch meter			
For 12-inch meter	. \$6	3,218.85	(l)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge applicable to all metered service and to which is to be

added the charge for water used computed at Quantity Rates.

## **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- 1. The user (customer) is responsible for on-site compliance with local, state, or federal regulations that may apply to the use of an approved reclaimed water source.
- 2. All charges under this schedule to customers in the City of Norwalk are subject to a surcharge of 2.04 percent.
- 3. A late charge will be imposed per Schedule No. LC.
- 4. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.

Cancelling

Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1615-W Revised Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. 1610-W

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No. 2 Description of S No. 3 Application for S No. 4 Contracts No. 5 Special Informa No. 6 Establishment a No. 7 Deposits No. 8 Notices 1436-W No. 9 Rendering and No. 10 Disputed Bills No. 11 Discontinuance No. 12 Information Ava	Service Service tion Required on Forms	

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Advice Letter No. 335-W Decision No. D.23-02-003 City of Artesia 18747 Clarkdale Avenue Artesia, CA 90701

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City of Cerritos Water Department 18125 Bloomfield Avenue Cerritos, CA 90703

Bellflower Somerset Mutual Water Co. 10016 E. Flower St. P. O. Box 1697 (90707) Bellflower, CA 90706

City of Norwalk Water Department 12700 S. Norwalk Boulevard Norwalk, CA 90650

City of Compton Water Department 205 W. Willowbrook Compton, CA 90220 ccornwell@comptoncity.org

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