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June 15, 2016

Edward N. Jackson
Director of Revenue Requirements
Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp.
PO Box 7002
Downey, CA 90241

Dear Mr. Jackson,

The Commission has approved Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp's Advice Letter No. 270-W, filed on May 25, 2016, regarding the Low Income Guidelines.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets for the utility's files:

P.U.C. Sheet No.**Title of Sheet**

1316-W

Preliminary Statement, Part G
Form 13, California Alternative Rates for
Water Application

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Please contact Carmen Rocha at (415) 703-2162 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/JENNIFER PEREZ

Jennifer Perez

Water & Sewer Advisory Branch
Division of Water and Audits

Enclosures

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS
Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

Utility Name: Liberty Utilities (Park Water) Corp.
District: N/A
CPUC Utility #: U-314-W
Advice Letter #: 270-W
Tier ☒ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ Compliance
Authorization Energy Division Letter dated 3/2/16
Description: Liberty Park Water submits this advice letter to update the eligibility income guidelines in its rate assistance program for low-income customers, also known as the California Alternative Rates for Water ("CARW") program.

Date Mailed to Service List: May 25, 2016
Protest Deadline (20th Day): June 14, 2016
Review Deadline (30th Day): June 24, 2016
Requested Effective Date: June 1, 2016
Rate Impact: \$ N/A
% N/A

The protest or response deadline for this advice letter is 20 days from the date that this advice letter was mailed to the service list. Please see the "Response or Protest" section in the advice letter for more information.

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DWA Contact: Tariff Unit
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<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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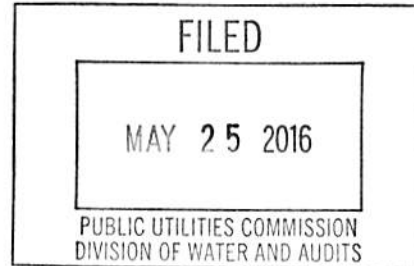
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Comments: _____

Date: _____



Liberty Utilities®



Advice Letter No. 270-W

May 25, 2016

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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

Calif. P.U.C.		Schedule	Canceling
<u>Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Sheet No.</u>
1316-W	Preliminary Statement, Part G		1023-W
1317-W	California Alternative Rates for Water Application	Form 13	1226-W
1318-W	Table of Contents, page 2		1252-W
1319-W	Table of Contents, page 1		1315-W

Summary

Liberty Park Water submits this advice letter to update the eligibility income guidelines in its rate assistance program for low-income customers, also known as the California Alternative Rates for Water ("CARW") program. The CARW eligibility guidelines are patterned after the guidelines established in the California Alternate Rates for Energy ("CARE") program for energy utilities. When approved, this filing will increase the eligibility income levels in Liberty Park Water's CARW program to match the eligibility income guidelines in the energy utilities CARE program. Liberty Park Water is also modifying the description of the CARW program contained in the Preliminary Statement.

Background

On October 19, 2006, the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") issued Decision 06-10-036 granting Liberty Park Water authority to establish its CARW program. The CARW program consists of a \$7.06 per month service charge discount for customers who meet income eligibility requirements. The eligibility income guidelines are revised annually by the Commission and are effective each June 1st. On March 2, 2016, the Commission established the 2016/2017 eligibility income guidelines, effective June 1, 2016. This advice letter is being filed to reflect the updated eligibility income guidelines on Liberty Park Water's CARW tariffs.

Compliance

Liberty Park Water has revised its Form No. 13 to reflect the annual increase to eligibility income. The table below shows the increase to each level of the eligibility income.

Maximum Household Income	
Number of Persons in Household	Total Combined Yearly Income
1-2	\$ 32,040
3	\$ 40,320
4	\$ 48,600
5	\$ 56,880
6	\$ 65,160
7	\$ 73,460
8	\$ 81,780
Add \$ 8,320 for each additional person	

Tier Designation

Pursuant to D.07-01-024, this advice letter is submitted with Tier 1 designation.

Requested Effective Date

Pursuant to Resolution E-3524 adopted February 19, 1998, Liberty Park Water respectfully requests approval of this advice letter allowing these tariffs to become effective June 1, 2016.

Notice and Service

This advice letter does not seek to increase any rate or charge. Therefore, customer notice is unnecessary. In accordance with General Order 96-B, General Rule 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 25, 2016 to competing and adjacent utilities and other utilities or interested parties.

Response or Protest

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. When submitting a response or protest, please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line. 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 relitigating 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 Division of Water and Audits within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The address for mailing or delivering a protest is:

Tariff Unit, Division of Water and Audits, 3rd 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:

Edward Jackson
Director of Revenue Requirements
Liberty Park Water Company
9750 Washburn Road
P. O. Box 7002
Downey, CA 90241
Fax: (562) 861-5902
E-Mail: DLCADowneyRegulatoryAffairs@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 Edward Jackson at (562) 923-0711, ext. 1212.

Very truly yours,

LIBERTY UTILITIES (PARK WATER) CORP.

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Enclosure

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	<u>REVISED</u>	Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	<u>1316-W</u>
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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
(Continued)

G. California Alternative Rates for Water (CARW) Revenue Reallocation Balancing Account

1. Purpose: The purpose of the CARW Revenue Reallocation Balancing Account is to track the recorded discounts provided through Schedule No. CARW and the recordable surcharge collected through Schedule No. CARW-SC. The authority to establish this account was granted in CPUC Decision 06-10-036 dated October 19, 2006, and in Public Utilities Code Section 739.8. This account will be in existence until sufficient experience with the CARW program is attained such that estimates of participation levels can be reliably forecast in a general rate case proceeding. This account will terminate when so ordered in a CPUC general rate case decision, at which time any remaining debit (under collection) or credit (over collection) balance will be amortized through a rate surcharge or surcredit. (T)
(T)
2. Accounting Procedure: The following entries will be made monthly to the CARW Revenue Reallocation Balancing Account:
 - a. The recorded reduction in billed Service Charge revenues for service provided under Schedule No. CARW (debit).
 - b. The recorded surcharge revenues for service provided under Schedule No. 1 authorized to fund the CARW Program (credit).
 - c. Monthly interest expense calculated at 1/12 of the most recent month's interest rate on Commercial Paper (prime, 3-month), published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, H.15 http://www.federalreserve.gov/Releases/H15/data/Annual/H15_NCFP_M3.txt or its successor publication (debit or credit).

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Name

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	<u>REVISED</u>	Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	<u>1317-W</u>
Canceling	<u>REVISED</u>	Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	<u>1226-W</u>

FORM NO. 13

California Alternative Rates For Water (CARW) Application
[Solicitud para el Programa de Tarifas Alternas para Agua en California \(CARW\)](#)

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Need a Helping Hand? The California Alternate Rates for Water Program



See if Your Household Qualifies



www.libertyutilities.com

California Alternate Rates for Water (CARW) Application

For our neighbors
who may be in
need of assistance,
Liberty Utilities
is proud to offer the
**California Alternate
Rates for Water
Program (CARW).**

CARW is a low-income rate
assistance program that provides
a monthly discount of **\$7.06**
on the water bill to qualifying
residential customers.

There are two ways to qualify for CARW:

- 1** By participating in another utilities low-income assistance program (such as CARE from the Southern California Gas Company) or receiving benefits from programs such as Medicare, Medi-Cal and more.
- 2** By providing information that household income meets program guidelines.

Enrolling is quick and easy. Just complete the attached application and return it to our office either in person or by mail.



Liberty Utilities

Questions about CARW?
Contact Customer Service at 562-923-9671 or 800-727-5987.
Or visit libertyutilities.com.

HOW TO QUALIFY

1

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

If you or another person in your household receives benefits from any of the following programs:

Medi-Cal/Medicaid
Healthy Families Categories A & B
Women, Infants & Children (WIC)
CalWORKS (TANF) or Tribal TANF
Head Start Income Eligible—Tribal Only
Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance (BIA GA)
CalFresh / SNAP (Food Stamps)
National School Lunch Program (NSLP)
Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

OR

2

MAXIMUM HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Effective June 1, 2016 through June 1, 2017

Number of Persons in Household	Total Annual Income*
1 — 2	\$32,040
3	\$40,320
4	\$48,600
5	\$56,880
6	\$65,160
7	\$73,460
8	\$81,780

For each additional household member, add \$8,320

* Includes current household income from all sources before deductions.

Liberty Utilities
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Downey, CA 90241

California Alternate Rates for Water (CARW) Application

Account Number _____ Customer Number _____

1. I currently participate in the following program(s):

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Southern California Edison (C.A.R.E.) | <input type="radio"/> Southern California Gas Company (C.A.R.E.) | <input type="radio"/> SSI |
| <input type="radio"/> Medi-Cal/Medicaid | <input type="radio"/> WIC | <input type="radio"/> National School Lunch (NSLP) |
| <input type="radio"/> CalFresh/SNAP | <input type="radio"/> Healthy Families A&B | <input type="radio"/> Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance |
| <input type="radio"/> TANF/Tribal TANF | <input type="radio"/> LIHEAP | <input type="radio"/> Head Start Income Eligible (Tribal Only) |

2. Check the total number of persons in your household.

- ☐ One (1) ☐ Two (2) ☐ Three (3) ☐ Four (4) ☐ Five (5) ☐ Six (6)
☐ More than Six (6+),

Number _____

	+		=	
Adults		Children		Total Number

3. Write the total yearly household income for all persons in your household.
This is income before deductions from all sources:

\$

4. Check all sources of income for your household:

- | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Wages or Salaries | <input type="radio"/> Unemployment Benefits | <input type="radio"/> Disability Payments | <input type="radio"/> CalWORKs (TANF/AFDC) |
| Interest or Dividends from: | <input type="radio"/> Rental or Royalty Income | <input type="radio"/> Workers Compensation | <input type="radio"/> CalFresh/SNAP |
| <input type="radio"/> Savings Account | <input type="radio"/> Scholarships, Grants, or other | <input type="radio"/> Social Security, SSI, SSP | <input type="radio"/> Child Support |
| <input type="radio"/> Stocks or Bonds | <input type="radio"/> Aid Used for Living Expenses | <input type="radio"/> Pensions | <input type="radio"/> Cash and/or Other Income |

5. Declaration and Self-Certification Statement: I state that the information I have provided in this application is true and correct. I agree to provide proof of income if asked. I agree to inform Liberty Utilities if I no longer qualify to receive the discount. I know that if I receive any discount without qualifying for it, I may be required to pay back the discount that I received. I understand that Liberty Utilities can share my information with other utilities or their agents to enroll me in their assistance programs.

Signature _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____

Phone _____

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LIBERTY UTILITIES (PARK WATER) CORP.
ADVICE LETTER 270-W
SERVICE LIST

City of Artesia
18747 Clarkdale Avenue
Artesia, CA 90701

City of Santa Fe Springs Water Dept.
11710 Telegraph Road
Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

Suburban Water Systems
Attention: Robert Kelly
1325 N. Grand Avenue, Suite 100
Covina, CA 91724-4044

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

Golden State Water Company
Ronald Moore, Regulatory Affairs
630 E. Foothill Blvd
San Dimas, CA 91773

City of Lynwood Water Department
Attention: Joseph Kekula
11330 Bullis Road
Lynwood, CA 90262

City of Paramount Water Department
16400 Colorado Avenue
Paramount, CA 90723

San Gabriel Water Company
Attention: Dan Dell'Osa
P. O. Box 6010
El Monte, CA 91734

City of Bell Gardens
Attn: Steve Steinbrecher
7100 Garfield Avenue
Bell Gardens, CA 90201

Dominguez/California Water Service
2632 W. 237th Street
Torrance, CA 90505-5272

Calif. Public Utilities Commission
Attention Ting-Pong Yuen
DRA Water
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

California Water Service Company
Attention: Daniel Armendanz
East Los Angeles District
2000 S. Tubeway Avenue
Commerce, CA 90040

Central Basin Municipal Water District
6252 Telegraph Road
Commerce, CA 90040

City of Bellflower
Attention: Jeff Stewart, City Manager
16600 Civic Center Drive
Bellflower, CA 90706