# SAN GABIRIOBIL VALLIBRY WAYNER COMPANY

June 22, 2012

Advice Letter 415 U337W

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

San Gabriel Valley Water Company ("San Gabriel") hereby submits one original and four copies of the following changes in tariff sheets applicable to its Los Angeles County and Fontana Water Company divisions:

CPUC Sheet No. 2138-W	<u>Title</u> Notice & Application for California Alternative Rates for Water Program	Schedule No. Form 16-A	Canceling CPUC Sheet No. 2114-W
2139-W	Notice & Application for California (cont.) Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-A	2115-W
2140-W	Notice & Application for California (Sp.) Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-A	2116-W
2141-W	Notice & Application for California (Sp.)(cont.) Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-A	2117-W
2142-W	Notice & Application for California Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-B	2118-W
2143-W	Notice & Application for California (cont.) Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-B	2119-W
2144-W	Notice & Application for California (Sp.) Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-B	2120-W
2145-W	Notice & Application for California (Sp.)(cont.) Alternative Rates for Water Program	Form 16-B	2121-W
2146-W	Table of Contents (cont.)	N/A	2122-W
2147-W	Table of Contents	N/A	2137-W

## <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this advice letter is to update the notice and application forms for San Gabriel's low-income ratepayer assistance program, CARW (California Alternative Rates for Water), in accordance with Ordering Paragraph No. 3 of Decision 11-05-020.

Since this advice letter only modifies some of the language on the forms, but does not request a change in rates, a Commission resolution is not required for approval. **This advice letter is designated as a Tier 1 advice letter** and San Gabriel requests an effective date of June 22, 2012.

#### **Discussion**

Ordering Paragraph No. 3 of Decision No. 11-05-020, in Rulemaking 09-12-017, states:

3. Categorical eligibility, *i.e.*, documentation of participation in a government means-tested program, shall apply to low-income water assistance program eligibility. The categorical eligibility requirements adopted in Decision 06-12-038 and Decision 08-11-031 for energy utilities shall apply to the water utilities.

Consistent with the above order, San Gabriel has patterned the proposed notices and applications after the energy utilities' CARE (California Alternative Rates for Energy) program, and included the Public Assistance Program eligibility for its low-income ratepayer assistance program, CARW (California Alternative Rates for Water), in both its Los Angeles County and Fontana Water Company divisions.

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

#### **Notice**

No individuals or utilities have requested notification of filing of tariffs. Distribution of this advice letter is being made to the attached service list in accordance with General Order No. 96-B.

# **Protest and Responses**

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) San Gabriel 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 San Gabriel 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;
- (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 evidence 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, 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 Division of Water and Audits, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail to us, addressed to San Gabriel:

San Gabriel Valley Water Company Director, Rates and Revenue 11142 Garvey Avenue El Monte, CA 91733 FAX: (626)448-5530 or E-mail dadellosa@sgvwater.com

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, contact me at (626) 448-6183.

Cities and counties that need approval of their Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners to protest should inform the Division of Water and Audits, within the 20 day protest period, so that a late filed protest can be entered. The informing document should include an estimate of the date the proposed protest might be voted on.

San Gabriel Valley Water Company

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Director of Rates and Revenue

cc: Bruce DeBerry, CPUC – Division of Water and Audits Hani Moussa, CPUC – Water Branch, DRA Danilo Sanchez, CPUC – Water Branch, DRA