

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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November 27, 2018

Jeffrey T. Linam  
Vice President of Rates & Regulatory  
California-American Water Company  
4701 Beloit Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95838-2434

Dear Mr. Linam,

The Commission has approved California-American Water Company's Advice Letter No. 1216, filed on October 25, 2018, regarding the 2018 Larkfield purchased water surcharge increase applicable to the Larkfield District.

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

<u>P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>
8845-W	Schedule No. LK-1 Larkfield Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE
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Please contact Bradley Leong at 415-703-2307, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/ROBIN BRYANT

Robin Bryant  
Water & Sewer Advisory Branch  
Water Division

Enclosures

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS**

**Advice Letter Cover Sheet**

<b>Utility Name:</b> California American Water	<b>Date Mailed to Service List:</b> October 25, 2018
<b>District:</b> Larkfield	
<b>CPUC Utility #:</b> U210W	<b>Protest Deadline (20<sup>th</sup> Day):</b> November 13, 2018
<b>Advice Letter #:</b> 1216	<b>Review Deadline (30<sup>th</sup> Day):</b> November 23, 2018
<b>Tier</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compliance	<b>Requested Effective Date:</b> October 25, 2018
<b>Authorization</b> Expense Offset	<b>Rate Impact:</b> \$See AL See AL%
<b>Description:</b> 2018 Larkfield Purchased Water Surcharge Increase	

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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<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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APPROVED

WITHDRAWN

REJECTED

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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October 25, 2018

ADVICE LETTER NO. 1216

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California-American Water Company (U210W) hereby submits for filing the following tariff sheets applicable to its Larkfield District, which are attached hereto:

<u>C.P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling Sheet No.</u>
8845-W	Schedule No. LK-1 Larkfield Tariff Area GENERAL METERED SERVICE	7995-W
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**Purpose:**

Pursuant to Section VI of General Order 96-B and Section 454 of the Public Utilities Code, California American Water requests authority to offset costs resulting from the Sonoma County Water Agency's increased charges for water California American Water purchases for its Larkfield service area.

**Background**

Sonoma County Water Agency recently increased its wholesale rates to California American Water Company from a commission authorized amount of \$1003.86 to \$1,133.47 per acre-foot. California American Water Company requests that the full increase be offset through a surcharge to account for the annual change in purchased water costs.

The rate increase results in a \$46,294 annual increase in purchased water expense to California American Water, plus a corresponding increase of \$381 in uncollectibles, for a total expense increase of \$46,675. This increase is directly related to water consumption and thus should be applied to the quantity rate as a volumetric based surcharge. The resulting incremental increase is \$0.4883 per hundred cubic feet (Ccf).

The offset requested represents an increase of \$46,675 or 1.4% over the last authorized revenue requirement.

Copies of the detailed workpapers and the documents supporting this Advice Letter have been furnished to the Commission Staff, in accordance with paragraph 32 in Section C of Standard Practice U-27-W, dated May 2008. California American Water will inform its customers of this offset by including a bill text message explaining the rate change.

### **Tier Designation**

These tariffs are submitted pursuant to General Order No. 96-B and this advice letter is designated as a Tier 1 filing – Expense Offset.

### **Effective Date**

California American Water requests that the tariffs discussed above be made effective October 25, 2018, so they correspond with the wholesale water rate increase imposed by the Sonoma County Water Agency.

### **RESPONSE OR PROTEST<sup>1</sup>**

Anyone may submit a response or protest for this AL. 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 AL. A **protest** objects to the AL in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds<sup>2</sup> are:

1. The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the AL;
2. The relief requested in the AL 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 AL contain material error or omissions;
4. The relief requested in the AL is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding;  
or
5. The relief requested in the AL requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the AL process; or
6. The relief requested in the AL 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.
7. A protest may not rely on policy objections to an AL where the relief requested in the AL follows rules or directions established by statute or Commission order applicable to the utility. A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

DWA must receive a response or protest via email (**or** postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

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<sup>1</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.1

<sup>2</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.2

The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

**Email Address:**

[Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov)

**Mailing Address:**

CA Public Utilities Commission  
Division of Water and Audits  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

On the same day the response or protest is submitted to DWA, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to California American Water at:

**Email Address:**

[lakhjit.thind@amwater.com](mailto:lakhjit.thind@amwater.com)

**Mailing Address:**

4701 Beloit Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95838

[sarah.leeper@amwater.com](mailto:sarah.leeper@amwater.com)

333 Hayes Street, Ste. 202  
San Francisco, CA 94102

[ca.rates@amwater.com](mailto:ca.rates@amwater.com)

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Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform DWA, 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.

**REPLIES**<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> G.O. 96-B, General Rule 7.4.3

The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Any reply must be received by DWA within five business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day on each person who filed the protest or response to the AL.

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

*/s/ Lakhjit Thind*

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Lakhjit Thind  
Financial Analyst

Schedule No. LK-1  
Larkfield District Tariff Area  
GENERAL METERED SERVICE

Sheet 4

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Fees & Surcharges:

- 7. Per Advice Letter 1216, a surcharge is applied to each bill to offset increases in purchased water costs imposed by the Sonoma County Water Agency. This offset results in a needed increase of \$46,675 or 1.4%. The surcharge of \$0.0653 per cgl is added to the quantity rate beginning October 25, 2018. (C)

(TO BE INSERTED BY UTILITY)  
Advice 1216  
Decision

ISSUED BY  
J. T. LINAM  
DIRECTOR - Rates & Regulatory

(TO BE INSERTED BY C.P.U.C.)  
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Effective 10/25/2018  
Resolution \_\_\_\_\_





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