



July 13, 2010

**DEL ORO
WATER COMPANY**

Advice Letter No. 274

PARADISE PINES

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STIRLING BLUFFS

Del Oro Water Company, Inc., following the guidelines of California Public Utilities Commission Standard Practice U-27-W, hereby transmits for filing on behalf of its Strawberry (DOWCST) District its request for a \$481,576.00 Rate Base Offset. The following changes in its DOWCST tariff schedule is attached hereto:

LIME SADDLE

MAGALIA

<u>Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Schedule No.</u>	<u>Canceling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>
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FERNDALE

___-W	Annual Metered Service, Strawberry District	ST-1A	___-W
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JOHNSON PARK

___-W	Annual Flat Rate Service, Strawberry District	ST-2A	___-W
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COUNTRY ESTATES

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PINE MOUNTAIN

PINE FLAT

The Strawberry District of Del Oro Water Company (Utility) hereby submit the attached workpapers supporting of their request for a Rate Base Offset to recover costs incurred and provide for an adequate rate of return on completion of the remaining tasks of Phase I of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) [Exhibit A] presented to the consumer on May 26, 2007 as part of the \$497,000.00 CIP and forwarded to the Commission in accordance with U-36-W on June 18, 2007; as well as the installation of meters as required by Ordering Paragraph No. 5 of Resolution No. W-4744, dated February 20, 2010 [Exhibit B].

WALNUT RANCH

ARBUCKLE

STRAWBERRY

MT. LASSEN

The projects to date have consisted of improvements as described in [Exhibit A] by Luhdorff and Scalmanini Consulting Engineers.

RIVER ISLAND

The Utility's last General Rate Case (GRC) for DOWCST became effective per Resolution No. W-4744 on February 20, 2009 [Exhibit B].

The attached workpapers provide the detail and back up invoices for the projects [Exhibit C]. The total cost of the capital improvements is \$481,576.00.

The Rate Base Offset Calculations are as described in [Exhibit D]. A revenue requirement for DOWCST is an increase of \$74,524.00 or an overall revenue increase of approximately 25.42% over current revenues using the rates adopted per Resolution No. W-4744. The proposed adjusted rates will impact the average customer's bill by approximately 34.62%. The impact to the average customer's bill is as described in [Exhibit D].

Also included are the Summary of Earnings [Exhibit E].

File a PROTEST:

A protest is a document stating that you object to the utility receiving all or some part of its request. If you wish to file a protest, you must state the facts constituting the grounds for the protest, how the advice letter affects you, and the reasons why you believe the whole advice letter, or part of it, is not justified.

If the protest requests an evidentiary hearing (an evidentiary hearing is a legal proceeding held before an administrative law judge at the Commission to obtain evidence), your protest must state the facts you would present at the evidentiary hearing to support your request for a complete or a partial denial of the advice letter. The filing of a protest does not ensure that an evidentiary hearing will be held. The decision whether or not to hold an evidentiary hearing will be based on the contents of the protest.

File a RESPONSE:

A response is a document that does not object to the request sought in the application, but nevertheless, presents information you believe would be useful to the Commission in acting on the application.

Whether you wish to file a PROTEST or send a RESPONSE you must:

- Send a copy of your document to the utility
- Mail both one copy to the utility and one copy to CPUC within twenty (20) days of the date you received this notice.

The utility must respond to your protest or response within five (5) days. All protests or responses to this filing should be sent to:

CA Public Utilities Commission, Water Division 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, California 94102 E-Mail : water_division@cpuc.ca.gov	<i>and</i>	Director of Community Relations Drawer 5172 Chico, CA 95927 (530) 894-6739 / Fax: (530) 894-7645 E-Mail: communityrelations@corporatcenter.us
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If you have not received a reply to your protest within ten (10) business days, contact Del Oro Water Company at 1-800-655-3582/530-873-0327.

This is a Tier 2 filing. If a notice and/or a public meeting is required to be mailed to the consumers of the Strawberry District, the enclosed draft notice will be finalized upon Commission staff approval [Exhibit F].

Del Oro Water Company, Inc.



JANICE HANNA

Director, Corporate Accounting

Attachments

Schedule No. ST-1A

ANNUAL METERED SERVICE

STRAWBERRY DISTRICT

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service furnished on monthly basis.

TERRITORY

Strawberry and vicinity, located approximately 31 miles east of Sonora, Tuolumne County.

RATES

Quantity Rate:

All water, per 100 cu. ft.	\$	5.10	(I)
		<u>Per Meter</u>	
		<u>Per Month</u>	
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$	66.14	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter		99.20	
For 1-inch meter		165.34	
For 1 1/2-inch meter		330.68	
For 2-inch meter		529.10	
For 3-inch meter		992.04	
For 4-inch meter		1,653.42	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is added the monthly charge computed at the Quantity Rate.

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