



May 7, 2010

Advice Letter No. 268

**DEL ORO
WATER COMPANY**

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Del Oro Water Company, Inc. (DOWC) hereby transmits this Advice Letter No. 268 for filing on behalf of its Arbuckle (DOWCAR), Ferndale (DOWCFD), Magalia (DOWCMD), Pine Flat (DOWCPF), Pine Mountain (DOWCPM), River Island (DOWCRI), Stirling Bluffs (DOWCSB), and Walnut Ranch (DOWCWR) Districts in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission Resolution No. W-4327 [Exhibit A.1] and Resolution No. W-4698 [Exhibit A.2], the following changes to its tariff schedules which are attached hereto. The changes are a result of the tracking in The User Fee Memorandum Account (UFMA) of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) fees not covered in the current rates of the various districts of DOWC.

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	___-W	Residential Flat Rate Service, (Con't) Arbuckle District	AR-1A	___-W
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The present rates for DOWCAR became effective on December 3, 2009 pursuant to Resolution No. W-4805; for DOWCFD on June 26, pursuant to Resolution No. 4697, followed by two power offsets, Advice Letter No. 205, dated November 13, 2008 and Advice Letter No. 220, dated March 26, 2009; for DOWCMD on November 5, 2009, pursuant to Resolution No. 4797 and corrected by Resolution No. W-4807; for DOWCPF on August 25, 2005 pursuant to Resolution No. W-4558, followed by a rate base offset and power offset, Advice Letter No. 152 dated April 18, 2007 and Advice Letter No. 203 dated October 30, 2008; and DOWCPM on December 17, 2009, pursuant to Resolution No. 4814; for DOWCRI on June 18, 2009 pursuant to Resolution No. 4759; for DOWCSB on April 10, 2008, pursuant to Resolution No.4679, followed by two power offsets, Advice Letter No. 205, dated November 13, 2008 and Advice Letter No. 220, dated March 26, 2009 and for DOWCWR on April 10, 2008 pursuant to Resolution No.4681, followed by two power offsets, Advice Letter No. 205, dated November 13, 2008 and Advice Letter No. 220, dated March 26, 2009. (All references included in Exhibits B.1 - B.16.)

Assembly Bill 2995, in adding Section 4019.10 to the California Health and Safety Code, directs the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to charge the utilities within its jurisdiction for all operating costs. The legislation also authorized these costs to be passed on to those utilities' customers. Commission Resolution No. W-4327 dated March 6, 2002, authorizes DOWC on behalf of its districts to file the attached rate schedules, and to concurrently withdraw and cancel its present schedules for such service.

DOWC has duly established the required Office of Drinking Water User Fee Memorandum Account (UFMA) and recorded therein the following amounts for each of its respective districts representing expenses resulting from CDPH User Fees not presently included in rates paid by the company. These amounts have also been applied in an earnings test to the appropriate district (all earnings tests included in Exhibits C.1-C.8).

The calculations indicate reimbursement of these amounts fall within the allowable earnings. Also enclosed within the above referenced Exhibit D are the calculations as back-up to this Advice Letter request for reimbursement and as well as copies of the paid invoices.

Arbuckle	\$330.00
Ferndale	\$2,797.00
Magalia	\$1,650.00
Pine Flat	\$559.20
Pine Mountain	\$235.80
River Island	\$2,422.00
Stirling Bluffs	\$695.00
Walnut Ranch	\$468.00

For the following described districts, DOWC requests permission to recover the above charges from the respective district's customers by adding an annual one-time surcharge to the customer's bill as outlined below.

	<u>Per Customer</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	
Arbuckle	\$6.11	\$2.04	over 3 billing cycles
Ferndale	3.69	1.85	over 2 billing cycles
Magalia	6.04	2.01	over 3 billing cycles
Pine Flat	2.85	1.43	over 2 billing cycles
Pine Mountain	2.51	1.26	over 2 billing cycles
River Island	6.27	2.09	over 3 billing cycles
Stirling Bluffs	4.32	1.44	over 3 billing cycles
Walnut Ranch	6.00	1.50	over 4 billing cycles

This filing is made under the provisions of General Order No. 96-A.

As this is a Tier 3 filing, a notice of the increase request will be mailed to the customers for DOWCAR, DOWCPF, DOWCPM, DOWCRI and DOWCWR on May 10, 2010. A notice of the increase request will be published in the local newspaper, *The Ferndale Enterprise*, for DOWCFD on Thursday, May 13, 2010 and a notice for DOWCMG and DOWCSB on *The Paradise Post* on Thursday, May 13, 2010. (Copies of the notices are enclosed as Exhibits D.1 - D.8.)

This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

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Customers who would like to call the Commission's attention to any problems concerning their water service, or who would like to provide any other information or comments regarding this requested surcharge, should write to the Commission at the following address:

California Public Utilities Commission
Water Utilities Branch - Room 3200
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Comments should mention that they pertain to **The CDPH 2009 Annual UFMA Surcharge** proposed by Del Oro Water Company including your district and they must be sent not later than twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice.

Questions may also be addressed to Del Oro Water Company:

Director of Community Relations
Drawer 5172
Chico, CA 95927
1-800-655-3582/530-873-0327
Email: communityrelations@corporatecenter.us

There are two ways to respond to this notice. You can send a protest to the CPUC and, if you do, you must send a copy of the protest to the utility; or you can send a response to the CPUC with a copy to the utility if you wish. A protest is a document objecting to the granting in whole or in part of the authority sought in this advice letter. A response is a document that does not object to the authority sought, but nevertheless presents information that the party tendering the response believes would be useful to the Commission in acting on the request. A protest must be mailed within 20 days of the date the California Public Utilities Commission accepts the advice letter for filing served on the utility. The filing date is the date the advice letter was put on the Commission Calendar. The Calendar is available at the Commission's website, www.cpuc.ca.gov. A protest must state the facts on which the protest is based, the effect that approval of the advice letter might have on the protestant, and the reasons the protestant believes the advice letter, or a part of it, is not justified. If the protest requests an evidentiary hearing, the protest must state the facts the protestant would present at an evidentiary hearing to support its request for whole or partial denial of the advice letter. The utility must respond to a protest within five days.

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All protests and responses should be sent to:

California Public Utilities Commission,
Water Division
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102
Fax: (415) 703-4426
E-Mail: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov.

And

Director of Community Relations
Post Office Drawer 5172
Chico, California 95927
Fax: (530) 894-7645
E-Mail: communityrelations@corporatecenter.us

If you have not received a reply to your protest from the utility within 10 business days, contact their Director of Community Relations at 1-877-335-6764.

A copy of Del Oro Water Company's filing may be inspected in its business office: 426 Broadway, Suite 301, Chico, California 95928. Further information may be obtained from the utility at its business office or from the Commission at the above address.

Del Oro Water Company, Inc.


JANICE HANNA
Director, Corporate Accounting

Attachments

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June 9, 2010

Advice Letter No. 268-A

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TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Del Oro Water Company, Inc. (DOWC) hereby transmits this Supplemental Advice Letter No. 268-A for filing on behalf of its Arbuckle (DOWCAR), Ferndale (DOWCFD), Magalia (DOWCMD), Pine Flat (DOWCPF), Pine Mountain (DOWCPM), River Island (DOWCRI), Stirling Bluffs (DOWCSB), and Walnut Ranch (DOWCWR) Districts which includes the required tariff sheet numbering following California Public Utilities Commission Staff approval. The following changes in its tariff schedules are attached hereto:

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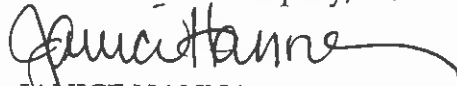
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	1134-W	Residential Metered Service, (Con't) Arbuckle District	AR-2A	1074-W
	1135-W	Annual General Metered Service, (Con't) Ferndale District	FD-1A	1086-W
	1136-W	Annual General Metered Service, (Con't) Magalia District	MD-1A	1067-W
	1137-W	Annual General Metered Service, (Con't) Pine Flat District	PF-1A	1097-W
	1138-W	Annual General Metered Service, (Con't) Pine Mountain District	PM-1A	1101-W
	1139-W	General Metered Service, (Con't) River Island District	RI-1	1127-W (in tariff book as 1027-W in error)
	1140-W	Irrigation Service, (Con't) River Island District	RI-3	1128-W

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1142-W	Residential Flat Rate Service, (Con't) Walnut Ranch District	WR-2R	1041-W
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This Advice Letter becomes effective on the earliest date.

Del Oro Water Company, Inc.


JANICE HANNA
Director, Corporate Accounting

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Schedule No. AR-1A
(continued)

RESIDENTIAL FLAT RATE SERVICE

ARBUCKLE DISTRICT

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

5. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
6. A late charge will be imposed per Schedule No. LC
7. 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.
8. Per Advice Letter No. 236 dated July 7, 2009, granting an Interim Rate Increase and Resolution No. W-4805, dated December 3, 2009, granting a General rate Increase, under-collected revenues amounting to \$5,517.60 from July 7, 2009 through December 3, 2009 are imposed in a one-time surcharge of \$104.11 over approximately twenty-four (24) billing cycles at \$4.34 per month to each customer's bill upon approval by the California Public Utilities Commission. If over-collection of funds occurs, a credit will be issued to the customers.
9. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission all bills are subject to a one-time Surcharge of \$6.11 billed over approximately three (3) billing cycles at \$2.04 per month to each customer's bill upon approval by the California Public Utilities Commission of Advice Letter No. 268. This charge offsets the California Department of Public Health fees as billed to the Arbutle District for Fiscal Year July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

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Advice Letter No. 268-A

Decision No. _____

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Issued by

JANICE HANNA

Director, Corporate Accounting

(To be inserted by Cal. P.U.C.)

Date Filed JUN - 9 2010

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Resolution No. _____

Schedule No. AR-2
(Continued)

RESIDENTIAL METERED SERVICE

ARBUCKLE DISTRICT

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

4. The annual service charge applies to service during the 12 month period commencing January 1 and is due in advance. If a permanent resident of the area has been a customer of the utility for at least 12 months, the resident may elect, at the beginning of the calendar year, to pay prorated service charges in advance at intervals of less than one year in accordance with the utility's established billing periods.
5. The established billing cycle for water used is monthly.
6. The opening bill for metered service, except upon conversion from flat rate service, shall be established after the first day of any year, the portion of such annual charge applicable to the current year shall be determined by multiplying the annual charge by one three-hundred-sixty-fifth (1/365) of the number of days remaining in the calendar year. The balance of the payment of the initial charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period. If service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charges shall be due the customer.
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