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Public Utilities Commission  
of the State of California  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
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Advice Letter No. 505

San Jose Water Company (U-168-W) (SJWC) hereby transmits for filing Advice Letter 505 the following changes in tariff schedules applicable to its service area and which are attached hereto

Cal. P.U.C. <u>Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	Canceling Cal. P.U.C. <u>Sheet No.</u>
1820-W	Schedule 14.1 Water Shortage Contingency Plan With Staged Mandatory Reductions and Drought Surcharges (Continued)	1676-W
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San Jose Water Company (SJWC) requestes authority from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to suspend its allocation program and all drought surcharges provided for in Schedule 14.1: Water Shortage Contingency Plan with Staged Mandatory Reductions and Drought Surcharges. However, Schedule 14.1, and all of the water use restrictions defined therein, will remain in effect. This filing is designated as a Tier 1 advice letter in compliance with General Order (GO) 96-B – Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(5). SJWC requests this advice letter become effective on February 1, 2017, which is five days after filing.

### **Background**

As noted by SJWC's wholesale water provider, the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD), in 2016, Santa Clara County used 28 percent less water than was used in 2013, exceeding the water use reduction target of 20 percent. This achievement, along with the water district's groundwater replenishment program, resulted in groundwater storage and reservoir storage ending the year in a much improved stage.

Based on these developments SJWC believes it is the right time to suspend the drought surcharges contained in Schedule 14.1: Water Shortage Contingency Plan with Staged

Mandatory Reductions and Drought Surcharges. However, as indicated the drought is not over and water use reduction is still essential, so it is necessary to maintain Schedule 14.1, and the water use restrictions described therein, for the foreseeable future.

If in the future water supply again becomes critically low it may be necessary to re-implement the drought surcharges. However, SJWC will follow all of the parameters outlined in Rule 14.1 and Schedule 14.1, including the requirement of specific CPUC authorization, prior to re-implementing such drought surcharges.

### **Effective Date**

SJWC requests that this advice letter be made effective February 1, 2017 which is five days from the date of this filing as per General Order 96-B – Water Industry Rule 7.2(1).

### **Protests and Responses**

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response does not oppose the filing but presents information that may prove 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 may include the following:

- (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;
- (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 response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Water Division within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. When submitting a response or protest please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line. The address for mailing or delivering a protest is:

Tariff Unit, Water Division, 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 Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail to us, addressed to:

Regulatory Affairs  
San Jose Water Company  
110 West Taylor Street  
San Jose, California 95196  
Fax 408.279.7934  
regulatoryaffairs@sjwater.com.

The advice letter process does not provide for any responses, protests or comments, except for the utility's reply, after the 20-day comment period.

In compliance with Paragraph 4.3 of General Order 96-B, a copy of this advice letter has been mailed to all interested and affected parties as detailed in **Attachment A**.

SJWC currently has Advice Letters 501, 502, 503 and 504 outstanding before the Commission.

This filing will not cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

Very truly yours,

/S/ ANN LINDAHL  
ANN LINDAHL  
Supervisor  
Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

A copy of Advice Letter No. 505 has been sent to the following municipalities, water companies and interested parties:

City of San Jose  
Municipal Water Dept.  
Attn: Mansour Nasser  
3025 Tuers Road  
San Jose, CA 95121

California Water Service Co.  
Attn: Regulatory Affairs  
1720 North First Street  
San Jose, CA 95112

City of Cupertino  
10300 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA 95014

City of Campbell  
70 North First Street  
Campbell, CA 95008

City of Santa Clara  
1500 Warburton Avenue  
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Great Oaks Water Company  
P.O. Box 23490  
San Jose, CA 95153

City of Milpitas  
Attn: Utilities Engineering  
455 East Calaveras Blvd.  
Milpitas, CA 95035

Santa Clara Valley Water  
District  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

San Jose Mercury News  
Attn: Paul Rogers  
4 N. Second Street, Suite 800  
San Jose, CA 95113

Town of Los Gatos  
Attn: Director of Public Works  
110 E. Main Street  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

City of Monte Sereno  
Attn: Director of Public Works  
18014 Saratoga-Los Gatos Road  
Monte Sereno, CA 95030

City of Saratoga  
Attn: Director of Public Works  
13777 Fruitvale Avenue  
Saratoga, CA 95070

County of Santa Clara  
Attn: Director of Public Works  
70 W. Hedding Street  
San Jose, CA 95110

Department of Water Resources  
Safe Drinking Water Office,  
Room 804  
1416 9<sup>TH</sup> Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

James M. Fiedler P.E., D.WRE  
Chief Operating Officer  
Water Utility Enterprises  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

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Brush & Old Well Mutual  
Water Company  
20732 Brush Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Bob Burke  
Regulatory Liaison For The Six  
Mutual Water Companies  
420 Alberto Way, Unit 49  
Los Gatos, Ca 95032

Brush & Old Well Mutual  
Water Company  
21105 Brush Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Gillette Mutual Water Company  
21976 Gillette Drive  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Oakmount Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 31536  
Stockton, CA 95213

Summitt West Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 974  
Los Gatos, CA 95031

Ridge Mutual Water Company  
22316 Citation Drive  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Villa Del Monte Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 862  
Los Gatos, CA 95031

Big Redwood Park Water  
& Improvement Assoc.  
18375 Main Blvd  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Redwood Estates Services Association

PO Box 591  
Redwood Estates, CA 95044-0591

Stagecoach Mutual Water Co  
21825 Stagecoach Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Mt. Summit Mutual Water Co  
P.O. Box 3416  
Saratoga, CA 95070

Mountain Springs Mutual Water Co.  
17956 Greenwood Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Raineri Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 11  
Los Gatos, CA 95031

James Hunter  
6475 Dwyer Street  
San Jose, CA 95120

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**SCHEDULE No. 14.1**  
**WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN**  
**WITH STAGED MANDATORY REDUCTIONS AND DROUGHT SURCHARGES**  
**(Continued)**

**FLOW RESTRICTOR REMOVAL FEE**

The charge for removal of a flow-restricting device is:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Removal Fee</u>
5/8" to 1"	\$45
1-1/2 to 2"	\$90
3" and Larger	Actual Cost

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

1. Drought Allocations and Drought Surcharges are suspended effective February 1, 2017. (C)
2. Schedule 14.1 is effective until terminated by an advice letter filing to the Commission, on five days' notice, when the utility determines that mandatory restrictions are no longer necessary.
3. Schedule 14.1 shall not apply to those covered under the medical exemption provided for under Rule No. 11.B.1.e(1).
4. Drought Surcharges will be separately identified on each bill.
5. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.
6. All monies collected by the utility through surcharges or fees shall be booked to SJWC's existing Mandatory Conservation Memorandum Account (MCRAMA) or a similar memorandum account to offset lost revenues.
7. All expenses incurred by the utility to implement Rule 14.1 and Schedule 14.1 that have not been considered in a General Rate Case or other proceeding shall be recoverable by the utility if determined to be reasonable by Commission. These additional monies shall be accumulated by the utility in a separate memorandum account, for disposition as directed or authorized from time to time by the Commission.
8. Other restrictions on use of potable water as prescribed in Rule No. 14.1 and from time to time by the SWRCB, the CPUC, SJWC, or other governing body or agency.
9. None of the restrictions apply to the use of recycled water. The Limits on Watering and Limits on Watering Days shall not apply (except for Stage 4) to commercial nurseries, golf courses, or other water-dependent businesses, unless specifically required by SJWC or a governing jurisdiction.

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