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December 4, 2015

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Advice Letter No. 477

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

| Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. | Title of Sheet | Canceling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. |
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| 1692-W | Schedule No. 1 General Metered Service (Continued) | 1679-W |
| 1693-W | Schedule No. 1B General Metered Service with Automatic Fire Sprinkler System (Continued) | 1680-W |
| 1694-W | Schedule No. 1C General Metered Service Mountain District (Continued) | 1681-W |
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Purpose

These tariffs are submitted pursuant to General Orders Nos. 96-B – Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(3) and pursuant to the authority established by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) in Resolution (Res.) W-5071, dated December 3, 2015 (Attachment A). This advice letter is designated a Tier I Advice Letter in compliance with GO 96B and Ordering Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Res. W-5071.

Effective Date

SJWC requests that the proposed surcharges become effective December 9, 2015.

Background

On December 3, 2015, the Commission authorized Res. W-5071 granting SJWC's request to recover in rates \$4,258,794 by adding a surcharge of \$0.80 per 100 cubic feet (ccf) to the Quantity Rates in each customer's bill to be recovered over twelve months. The surcharge is intended to recover lost revenues tracked in SJWC's Mandatory Conservation Revenue Adjustment Memorandum Account (MCRAMA), using Commission approved Water Conservation Memorandum Account (WCMA) methodology, resulting from reduced water consumption by customers during the period of April 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

Ordering Paragraph No.3 of Res. W-5071 (included in Attachment A), states that:

- "3. San Jose Water Company is authorized to file a Tier 1 Advice Letter to make effective the following tariff schedules as attached to this Resolution five days after approval of the Resolution:
 - a. Schedule No. 1, General Metered Service;
 - b. Schedule No. 1B, General Metered Service with Automatic Fire Sprinkler System;
 - c. Schedule No. 1C, General Metered Service for Mountain District;
 - d. Schedule No. RW, Raw Water Metered Service.
- 4. San Jose Water Company is authorized to cancel the corresponding tariffs for the presently effective rate schedules listed in the Ordering Paragraph 3 above."

Public notice is not required.

Rate Calculation and Average Bill Comparison

Rates became effective September 20, 2015 by AL 476.

As a result of this surcharge the bill for the average customer using 15 ccf per month will increase by \$1.20, or 1.43% (Attachment B).

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, 3rd 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
regulatoryaffairs@sjwater.com.

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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 C**.

SJWC currently has no Advice Letters outstanding before the Commission.

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

Very truly yours,

/S/ WES OWENS WES OWENS Manager of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

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A copy of Advice Letter No. 477 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 Rodgers 4 N. Second St., 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 70 W. Hedding Street San Jose, CA 95110

Department of Water Resources Safe Drinking Water Office, Room 804 1416 9TH 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

Brush & Old Well Mutual Water Company 20732 Brush Road Los Gatos, CA 95030

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Gillette Mutual Water Company 21976 Gillette Drive 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

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. 18522 Mt. View Avenue 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

Marty Feldman P.O. Box 537 Los Gatos, CA 95031 Revised Original

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. <u>1692-W</u> Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No. <u>1679-W</u>

Schedule No. 1

GENERAL METERED SERVICE (Continued)

15. To offset the July 2015 increase in Ground Water Charges from the Santa Clara Valley Water District, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in ground water charges of \$147.00 /acre-foot, relative to the purchase water costs adopted by D.14-08-006, and associated revenue increase of \$0.1578 per 100 cu.ft., are being tracked in a reserve account.

| 16. | To amortize the under-collection in the Mandatory Conservation Revenue Adjustment Memorandum | (N) |
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| | Account, a surcharge of \$0.08 per 100 cu.ft. is to be added to the Quantity Rate shown for a 12-month | Ť |
| | period beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 477. | (N) |

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Schedule No. 1B

GENERAL METERED SERVICE WITH AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM (Continued)

- 11. To amortize the under-collection in Balancing Accounts, a surcharge of \$0.0492 per 100 cu.ft is to be added to the Quantity rate shown for a 12 month period beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 463-A.
- 12. To amortize the over-collection in Memorandum Accounts, a surcredit of \$0.25 per service connection per month is to be added for a 12 month period beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 463-A.
- 13. To amortize the under-collection in the 2013 GRC Interim Rates Memorandum Account, a surcharge of \$0.2888 per 100 cu.ft is to be added to the Quantity rate shown for a 36 month period beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 465-B.
- 14. To amortize the under-collection in the 2013 GRC Interim Rates Memorandum Account (Rehearing), a surcharge of \$0.0360 per 100 cu.ft is to be added to the Quantity rate shown for a 12 month period beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 471.
- 15. To offset the July 2015 increase in Purchased Water from the Santa Clara Valley Water District, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in purchased water costs of \$147.00 /acre-foot, relative to the purchase water costs adopted by D.14-08-006, and associated revenue increase of \$0.1872 per 100 cu.ft., are being tracked in a reserve account.
- 16. To offset the July 2015 increase in Ground Water Charges from the Santa Clara Valley Water District, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in ground water charges of \$147.00 /acre-foot, relative to the purchase water costs adopted by D.14-08-006, and associated revenue increase of \$0.1578 per 100 cu.ft., are being tracked in a reserve account.
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Schedule No. 1C

GENERAL METERED SERVICE Mountain District (Continued)

- 17. To amortize the under-collection in the 2013 GRC Interim Rates Memorandum Account (Rehearing), a surcharge of \$0.0360 per 100 cu.ft is to be added to the Quantity rate shown for a 12 month period beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 471.
- 18. To amortize the over-collection of the Schedule 1C elevation charge within the 2013 GRC Interim Rates Memorandum Account (Rehearing), a one-time refund of \$3.06 per service connection will be added to the bills of all non-mutual customers beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 471.
- 19. To amortize the over-collection of the Schedule 1C service charges collected from the Mutual Water Companies within the 2013 GRC Interim Rates Memorandum Account (Rehearing), a one-time refund is to be added to the bills of the Mutual Water Companies listed below beginning with the effective date of Advice Letter 471 as follows:

| <u>Mutual:</u> | <u>One</u> | time Refund |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|
| Brush & Old Well Mutual Water | *************************************** | \$265 |
| Gillette Mutual Water Co. | *************************************** | \$42 |
| Oakmont Mutual Water Co. | *************************************** | \$116 |
| Stagecoach Mutual Water Co. | | \$30 |
| Summit West Mutual Water Co. | | \$402 |
| Ridge Mutual Water Co. | *************************************** | \$352 |
| Villa Del Monte Mutual Water Co. | *********** | \$455 |
| Big Redwood Park Water & Improvement | | \$177 |
| Mountain Summit Mutual Water Co | | \$20 |

- 20. To offset the July 2015 increase in Purchased Water from the Santa Clara Valley Water District, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in purchased water costs of \$147.00 /acre-foot, relative to the purchase water costs adopted by D.14-08-006, and associated revenue increase of \$0.1872 per 100 cu.ft., are being tracked in a reserve account.
- 21. To offset the July 2015 increase in Ground Water Charges from the Santa Clara Valley Water District, as required by Section 792.5 of the Public Utilities Code, an increase in ground water charges of \$147.00 /acre-foot, relative to the purchase water costs adopted by D.14-08-006, and associated revenue increase of \$0.1578 per 100 cu.ft., are being tracked in a reserve account.
- 22. To amortize the under-collection in the Mandatory Conservation Revenue Adjustment Memorandum
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Schedule No. RW

RAW WATER METERED SERVICE (Continued)

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