Si necesita asistencia en español, tenemos representantes de servicio al cliente disponibles para ayudarle cuando lo solicite, por favor llame al número 1-800-999-4033.

# GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY'S NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUESTING TO INCREASE RATES REGION 2 SERVICE AREA (APPLICATION NO. 20-07-012)

On July 15, 2020, Golden State Water Company (GSWC) filed what is known as a "General Rate Case" (GRC) application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The application filing by GSWC requests to increase rates over a three-year period, covering the years 2022 through 2024. This request to increase rates would be effective beginning January 1, 2022.

GSWC's Region 2 service area includes all or portions of the cities of Artesia, Bell, Bell Gardens, Carson, Cerritos, Compton, Cudahy, Culver City, Downey, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawaiian Gardens, Hawthorne, Huntington Park, Inglewood, Lakewood, La Mirada, Lawndale, Long Beach, Norwalk, Paramount, Santa Fe Springs, South Gate, the communities of Athens, Lennox, Willowbrook and Moneta, Florence-Graham, Del Aire and vicinity, Los Angeles County and portions of City of Los Alamitos, and Orange County.

## Why is GSWC requesting this rate increase?

The CPUC requires GSWC to submit a GRC application every three-years. GSWC is requesting authorization to increase revenues in the Region 2 service area by \$23,465,500 (or 16.66%) for 2022, \$7,138,400 (or 4.34%) in 2023, and \$7,788,500 (or 4.52%) in 2024. The total requested increase for all three years combined would be \$38,392,400 (or 25.52%).

The purpose of this GRC is for GSWC to cover its anticipated costs from 2022 through 2024 for purchased water, improvements to the water supply system, Federal Income Tax, property taxes and cost for centralized corporate support services, such as accounting and human resources.

## How could this affect my monthly bill?

If the proposed application is approved by the CPUC, the average residential customer with a 5/8 x 3/4" meter using 9 Ccf would see a monthly bill increase of \$9.28 (or 16.30%), from \$56.94 to \$66.22 in 2022. In 2023 the average residential customer would see a monthly bill increase of \$2.94 (or 4.44%), from \$66.22 to \$69.16, and a monthly bill increase of \$3.17 (or 4.58%), from \$69.16 to \$72.33 in 2024, **excluding any applicable surcharges**.

## How does the rest of the process work?

This application will be assigned to a judge, who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The judge will issue a proposed decision which may adopt GSWC's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners.

The Public Advocates Office may review this application. The Public Advocates Office is the independent consumer advocate within the CPUC with a statutory mandate to represent customers of investor-owned utilities to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with safe and reliable service and the state's environmental policy goals. For more information, please call (415) 703-1584, e-mail PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit publicadvocates.cpuc.ca.gov.

## Where can I get more information?

#### **Contact GSWC**

- View GSWC's Application and related exhibits: https://www.gswater.com/2022-24grc
- Contact GSWC's 24-hour Customer Service Center at: 1-800-999-4033 (toll-free) or TTY 1-877-933-9533
- Contact via email at: customerservice@gswater.com
- Contact via mail at:

Golden State Water Company Attention: Regulatory Affairs Department 630 East Foothill Boulevard San Dimas, CA 91773

## **Contact the CPUC**

You may also get information regarding this proceeding by contacting the CPUC:

- If you would like to make a comment, please visit cpuc.ca.gov/A2007012Comments to submit a comment on the CPUC Docket Card. You can also view other public comments related to this rate request.
- If you have questions about the CPUC process, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office via:

Phone: **1-866-849-8390** (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074** 1-866-836-7825 (toll-free) or TTY 1-415-703-5282

Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Please reference **GSWC's GRC Application No. 20-07-012** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

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