PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298

November 25, 2019

Ronald K. Moore Senior Regulatory Analyst Golden State Water Company 630 East Foothill Blvd. San Dimas, CA 91773

Dear Mr. Moore,

The Commission has approved Golden State Water Company's Advice Letter No. 1794, filed on October 22, 2019, regarding Annual recalibration of Memo account surcharge.

Enclosed are copies of the following revised tariff sheets for the utility's files:

P.U.C.	
Sheet No.	Title of Sheet
8489-W	Schedule No. SM-1-NR, Santa Maria Customer Service Area
	Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 2
8490-W	Schedule No. SM-1-R, Santa Maria Customer Service Area
	Residential Metered Service, Page 2
8491-W	Schedule No. SM-3ML, Santa Maria Customer Service Area
	Limited Metered Irrigation Service, Page 1
8492-W	Table of Contents, Page 3 of 4
8493-W	Table of Contents, Page 1 of 4

Please contact Jeremy Ho at 415-703-1905, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/ROBIN BRYANT

Robin Bryant Water & Sewer Advisory Branch Water Division

Enclosures

GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name:	GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY	Date Mailed to Service List:	10/22/2019
District:	SANTA MARIA		
CPUC Utility #:	133 W	Protest Deadline (20th Day):	11/11/2019
Advice Letter #:	1794-W	Review Deadline (30 th Day):	11/21/2019
Tier	$\boxtimes 1$ $\square 2$ $\square B$ \boxtimes Compliance	Requested Effective Date:	12/1/2019
Authorization	D.07-05-041,D.13-05-011 & D.19-05-044	Dete Incorte	\$0.00
Description:	Annual recalibration of Memo account surcharge for tariff schedule SM-1-R, SM-1-NR & SM-3ML.	Rate Impact:	90.00 0%

The protest or response deadline for this advice letter is 20 days from the date that this advice letter was mailed to the service list. Please see the "Response or Protest" section in the advice letter for more information.

Utility Contact:	Gladys Estrada	Utility Contact:	Jon Pierotti
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Phone: (415) 703-1133

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DATE	<u>STAFF</u>			COMMENTS	
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October 22, 2019

Advice Letter No. 1794-W

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TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) hereby transmits the following tariff sheets applicable to Santa Maria Customer Service Area (CSA):

CPUC Sheet No	Title of Sheet	Canceling CPUC Sheet No.
Revised No. 8489-W	Schedule No. SM-1-NR Santa Maria Customer Service Area Non-Residential Metered Service, Page 2	Revised No. 8325-W
Revised No. 8490-W	Schedule No. SM-1-R Santa Maria Customer Service Area Residential Metered Service, Page 2	Revised No. 8328-W
Revised No. 8491-W	Schedule No. SM-3ML Santa Maria Customer Service Area Limited Metered Irrigation Service, Page 1	Revised No. 8330-W
Revised No. 8492-W	Table of Contents Page 3 of 4	Revised No. 8481-W
Revised No. 8493-W	Table of Contents Page 1 of 4	Revised No. 8488-W

Purpose

These tariffs are submitted in compliance with the Settlement Agreement in Decision 07-05-041, dated May 24, 2007, which directs GSWC to submit an annual update and revise the temporary surcharge to recover the cumulative balance incurred in the Santa Maria Water Rights Memorandum Account (SMWRMA).

Compliance

As directed in Decision No. 13-05-011, dated May 9, 2013, and Decision No. 19-05-044, dated May 30, 2019, GSWC is authorized to amortize the post- December 31, 2005 balance in the SMWRMA over a 10-year period.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement in Decision 07-05-041, GSWC is to file an advice letter with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) annually, no later than November 1 of each year, to update and revise the temporary surcharge until its expiration.

GSWC is filing this advice letter to update the temporary surcharge of \$0.112 per Ccf implemented in Advice Letter 1757-W, which became effective November 1, 2018.

This filing reflects the most recent historical data for unamortized litigation costs, interest rate, and sales volumes. Due to GSWC's sales trending lower than adopted, the surcharge calculation is based on actual sales volumes for the most recent 12-month period rather than the adopted forecasted sales volumes. Using adopted sales would result in an under-collection during the 12-month period resulting in an unnecessarily larger surcharge in future periods.

Based on GSWC's calculations, the temporary surcharge will be increased to \$0.137 per Ccf beginning December 1, 2019.

Supporting workpapers detailing GSWC's calculations for the Santa Maria Water Rights Balancing Account surcharge will be provided to the Water Division and the Public Advocates Office.

Tier Designation

This advice letter is submitted with a Tier 1 designation. GSWC is requesting that this filing become effective on December 1, 2019.

Customer notice

GSWC will include a bill message on the customer's first bill generated after the rate goes into effect to notify its Santa Maria customers of the surcharge increase.

Response or Protest

Anyone may submit a response or protest for this Advice Letter (AL). When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

A **response** supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the AL. A **protest** objects to the AL in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds are:

- 1. The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the AL;
- 2. The relief requested in the AL 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 AL contain material error or omissions;
- 4. The relief requested in the AL is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- 5. The relief requested in the AL requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the AL process; or
- 6. The relief requested in the AL is unjust, unreasonable, or discriminatory, provided that such a protest may not be made where it would require re-litigating a prior order of the Commission.

A protest may not rely on policy objections to an AL where the relief requested in the AL follows rules or directions established by statute or Commission order applicable to the utility. A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

DWA must receive a response or protest via email (<u>or</u> postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed. When submitting a response or protest, **please include the utility name and advice letter number in the subject line.**

The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

Email Address:	Mailing Address:
Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov	CA Public Utilities Commission
	Division of Water and Audits
	505 Van Ness Avenue
	San Francisco, CA 94102

On the same day the response or protest is submitted to DWA, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest to Golden State Water Company at:

Email Address:	Mailing Address:
regulatoryaffairs@gswater.com	Gladys Estrada
	Golden State Water Company
	630 East Foothill Blvd.
	San Dimas, CA 91773

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Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform DWA, within the 20 day protest period, so that a late filed protest can be entertained. The informing document should include an estimate of the date the proposed protest might be voted on.

<u>Replies</u>

The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Any reply must be received by DWA within five business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day on each person who filed the protest or response to the AL.

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Water Division, within the 20 day protest period, so that a late filed protest can be entertained. The informing document should include an estimate of the date the proposed protest might be voted on.

The actions requested in this advice letter are not now the subject of any formal filings with the California Public Utilities Commission, including a formal complaint, nor action in any court of law.

Sincerely,

<u>/s/ Gladys Estrada</u> Gladys Estrada Regulatory Analyst

c: Jim Boothe, CPUC – Division of Water and Audits Patricia Ma, CPUC- Water Branch, ORA Richard Smith, CPUC- Water Branch, ORA

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<u>Schedule No. SM-1-NR</u> <u>Santa Maria District</u> <u>Non-Residentail Metered Service</u>

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.
- 2. As authorized by Rule 9.1.e. for customers with more than one meter on a single service line, the customer's service charge rate is based on a factor multiplied by the service charge applicable to the nearest standard meter size of the combined meters as determined by the equivalent diameter methodology.
- 3. Non-residential Sprinkler rates can be added as needed utilizing the multiplication factors identified in Appendix F of D. 17-03-001, applied to the 5/8" meter charge.
- 4. Pursuant to Decision No. 19-05-044, a surcharge of \$0.151 per Ccf will be applied to all metered customer bills excluding customers that are receiving the CARW credit. This surcharge will offset the CARW credits and CARW administrative program costs recorded in the CARW Balancing Account.
- 5. Pursuant to D. 13-05-011, to recover the Santa Maria Water Rights Litigation post expense balance as of December 31, 2005 a surcharge of \$0.137 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate and is subject to recalibration annually until May 21, 2023 or until the SMWRMA is fully recovered, whichever is sooner.
- 6. Applicants requesting a new service connection, a new water meter or an increase in the size of their existing service connection and/or existing water meter resulting in increased demand within the Santa Maria Customer Service Area, as defined on the Service Area Maps, must provide a source of supplemental water to offset the increased water demand, pursuant to the Court adopted Stipulation in Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District v. City of Santa Maria, et al. (and related actions), Lead Case No. CV 770214, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Santa Clara, in January 2008, and Commission Decision No. 13-05-011.
- 7. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission in D. 16-12-067, an amount of \$0.208 per Ccf is to be added to the Quantity Rate for a period of 36 months, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter 1717-W. This surcharge recovers the difference between the interim rates and final rates for the period of January 1, 2016 through April 19, 2017.
- 8. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, an amount of \$0.161 per Ccf based on a 18-month amortization period, is to be added to the Quantity Rate, beginning on the effective date of Advice Letter 1766-W, which is March 29, 2019. The surcharge may be recalibrated annually, if necessary. This surcharge will recover the under collection in the WRAM&MCBA Balancing Account.

(To be inserted by utility) Advice Letter No. <u>1794-W</u> Decision No. <u>13-05-011</u> (Continued)

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Schedule No. SM-1-R Santa Maria District Residential Metered Service

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF.
- 2. Pursuant to Decision No. 19-05-044, a surcharge of \$0.151 per Ccf will be applied to all metered customer bills excluding customers that are receiving the CARW credit. This surcharge will offset the CARW credits and CARW administrative program costs recorded in the CARW Balancing Account.
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- 7. As authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, an amount of \$0.033 per Ccf is to be added to the quantity rate for a 12-month period from the effective date of Advice Letter 1771-W, which is June 8, 2019. This surcharge will amortize the under-collection in the Santa Maria Water Rights Balancing Account as of August 2017.

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Schedule No. SM-3ML Santa Maria District Limited Metered Irrigation Service

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to metered irrigation water service.

TERRITORY

The unincorporated area known as Lake Marie Ranches located in the former Lake Marie Service.

RATES

Quantity Charge:	Per Me	<u>ter Per Month</u>	<u>1</u>
For all water, per 100 cubic feet (Ccf)	\$	2.168	
Monthly Service Charge: For 3/4-inch meter For 1 - inch meter For 3 - inch meter	\$ \$ \$	82.00 92.19 216.84	

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 Rates.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule No. UF. 1.
- 2. A customer desiring to obtain water deliveries under this schedule must first obtain a written permit from the utility, with service limited to existing customers as of December 31, 1986. All outdoor irrigation must occur before 8 am or after 7 pm on specified watering day.
- 3. The utility will supply only such water pressure as may be available from time to time as a result of its normal operations.
- 4. Pursuant to Decision No. 19-05-044, a surcharge of \$0.151 per Ccf will be applied to all metered customer bills excluding customers that are receiving the CARW credit. This surcharge will offset the CARW credits and CARW administrative program costs recorded in the CARW Balancing Account.
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VERIFICATION

I am Vice President of Regulatory Affairs for, and an officer of, Golden State Water Company ("GSWC"), and am authorized to make this verification on its behalf with respect to the customer notification for Advice Letter No. 1794-W. GSWC intends to provide customer notification of Advice Letter No. 1794-W to affected customers by: (check all that apply)

Bill Insert
Bill Message

Individual Notice by Mail

□ Electronic Mail

□ Legal Notices Published in a Local Newspaper of General Circulation

□ Other (please explain) _____

GSWC will include a bill message on each of its customers' first bill generated after the rate change goes into effect to inform them of the rate change in **Advice Letter No. 1794-W**. Additionally, a copy of this advice letter and the bill message is posted on the Company's website. The forgoing statement is true of my own knowledge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 22st day of October, 2019, at San Dimas, California.

Keith Switzer

Vice President, Regulatory Affairs Golden State Water Company

Bill Message

Effective 12/1/19 the Water Rights Memo Account temporary surcharge has increased from \$0.112 to \$0.137 per Ccf, due to the annual review and recalibration, per CPUC Decision 13-05-011.

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

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