

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FILING BY GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
OF PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF CITY OF NORWALK'S
NORTH AND SOUTH ARTESIA SYSTEM
APPLICATION 26-01-015**

What is Being Requested?

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) filed Application 26-01-015 to request authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) to purchase from the City of Norwalk, the Artesia Service Area ("ASA") and all of its associated public utility assets. The proposed sale is valued at \$5,250,000.

The City of Norwalk serves approximately 868 customers in the ASA located within the City of Artesia outside of the municipal boundaries of the City of Norwalk which is comprised of two portions known as the North and South Artesia system, in Los Angeles County. GSWC's Region 2 Ratemaking Areas ("RMA") serves approximately 100,000 customers in Los Angeles County.

GSWC is requesting authorization to incorporate the acquired ASA customers into GSWC's Region 2 (RMA) immediately for operational purposes, and to consolidate them for ratemaking purposes during its 2026 General Rate Case Application, with full rate consolidation in 2028.

ASA customers will benefit from this acquisition through improved water quality and service reliability, including lower risk of water shortages for ASA customers and enabling more efficient responses to peak demand emergencies. GSWC's Region 2 customers will benefit from the larger customer base.

GSWC is requesting an estimated increase in revenue of \$224,777 which would generate the revenues needed to cover the cost of service. The acquired ASA customer's rates would be adjusted in 2027 the year of the anticipated acquisition.

How Would This Impact the Average Residential Customer?

If the request is approved, **current GSWC customers will not see an immediate impact.** For the average residential customer in the ASA with a 5/8 x 3/4" meter using 8 ccf (1 ccf = 748 gallons) per month would see a rate increase of approximately \$11.98 per month. The actual impact will vary based on usage and other factors.

Additional Information

An administrative law judge will hold hearings, consider evidence, testimony, and public comments before drafting a proposed decision on this application. CPUC Commissioners will then vote on a final decision at a public meeting.

You can read more about the utility's request and make public comment by visiting apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2601015. For questions about participating in CPUC matters, you can contact the Public Advisor's Office at Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov, 1-866-849-8390, or 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102. Please reference A.26-01-015 in any communication with the CPUC.

Questions About the Request

For questions about this application, please contact GSWC Regulatory Affairs Department at: GSWC_Reg_Affairs@gswater.com, or 1-800-999-4033.