

GREAT OAKS WATER COMPANY

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June 12, 2024

Sent via email to water.division@cpuc.ca.gov

California Public Utilities Commission Water Division Room 3102 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Great Oaks Water Company (U-162-W) Advice Letter 324-W-A Request to Establish and Implement Second Escalation (Attrition) Year Rate Change

Dear Sir or Madam:

Great Oaks Water Company (Great Oaks) hereby transmits this Tier 1 Advice Letter requesting authorization to establish and implement a second escalation year rate change for its entire service area, as authorized by California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Decisions (D.) 04-06-018 and D.07-05-062, as well as Commission General Order 96-B. This advice letter is consistent with the Decision in Great Oaks' 2021 General Rate Case Application 21-07-001 and D.23-04-004, the Commission's Decision on that Application.

The following tariff sheets are submitted for approval.

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Summary of Advice Letter 324-W-A

Great Oaks filed Advice Letter 324-W on May 13, 2024, to the Water Division, and there were no protests filed. On June 12, 2024, the Water Division advised Great Oaks to make certain revisions to the paperwork and to file a supplemental Advice Letter 324-W-A to include those revisions. The Water Division also suspended Advice Letter 324-W, pending submission and confirmation of the revisions were appropriately made for the requested supplemental Advice Letter.

This supplemental Advice Letter 324-W-A includes the revisions that were required to be made directed by the Water Division for approval of the Advice Letter. Great Oaks requests that the Water Division removes the suspension on the Advice Letter and approves supplemental Advice Letter 324-W-A in a timely manner so that rates may be effective on July 1, 2024.

This Tier 1 advice letter requests the establishment and implementation of a 2024/2025 escalation (attrition) year rate change for Great Oaks' entire service area, as authorized by and in compliance with the Decisions referenced above. Escalation year filings are governed by the Commission's General Rate Case Plan for Class A Water Utilities, including D.04-06-018.¹

This filing is pursuant to General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rules $7.3.1(3)^2$ and $7.3.1(6)^3$, and has no effect upon water service being provided by Great Oaks to its customers.

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ See, D.07-05-062, Attachment A, pp. A-18 – A-20.

² Compliance with mandatory statute, decision, or resolution.

³ Escalation filing.

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<u>Request</u>

Great Oaks requests an increase in its revenue requirement of \$167,076 (0.67%) from the adopted revenue of \$24,831,953⁴ to \$24,999,029⁵ in escalation year 2024/2025. Also included in this request is an adjustment to the authorized CAP Surcharge calculated using the number of participants in the CAP program based upon Great Oaks' most recent compliance filing in R.17-06-024 on May 1st, 2024. This methodology was approved by the Commission in D.23-04-004.

All calculations for this escalation year filing are provided in the Exhibit A Advice Letter 324-W-A Workpapers, attached hereto. The proposed tariff sheets in this advice letter are based upon the calculations in the Exhibit A Advice Letter 324-W-A Workpapers.

Rates of Return

The following summary shows the authorized (per D.23-04-004), recorded (for calendar year 2023), and pro forma (escalation year) rates of return for Great Oaks.

D.23-04-004 Authorized Rate of Return for Rate Year 2024/2025:	8.15%
Calendar Year 2023 Recorded Rate of Return	7.36%
Pro Forma 2024/2025 Rate of Return	7.94%
Escalation Year 2024/2025 Rate of Return	8.15%

The rates of return are calculated using the summary of earnings methodology used by the Commission when setting rates for Great Oaks, which is consistent with the requirements of D.04-06-018, D.07-05-062. The amounts shown on Exhibit A Advice Letter 324-W-A Workpapers, WP-1, in the column for Adopted Escalation Year 2023/2024 are taken directly from the approved Advice Letter 316-W-A. The methodology used by Great Oaks is the same as was used by Great Oaks in previous escalation/attrition year filings (Advice Letters 240-W, 260-W, 270-W, 299-W, and 315-W), all of which were approved by the Commission.

Based upon this analysis, Great Oaks' recorded rate of return for Calendar Year 2023 of 7.36% is less than the 8.15% authorized rate of return and the pro forma 2024/2025 rate of return is 7.94%, which is less than the authorized rate of return.⁶

⁴ Authorized revenue per Advice Letter 316-W-A, effective July 1, 2023

⁵ See, Exhibit A Advice Letter 324-W-A Workpapers, WP-1, line 10.

⁶ See, Exhibit A Advice Letter 324-W-A Workpapers, at p. WP-1.

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As the Calendar Year recorded rate of return is less than the authorized rate of return, no decrease is required for the escalation year.⁷

Escalation Factors

Great Oaks has employed the most recent escalation factors and CPI-U factor from the Escalation Memorandum published via e-mail by the California Public Advocates Office on May 3, 2024, which is the most recent CPI-U available at the time of filing.⁸ Escalation factors are shown on Exhibit A Advice Letter 324-W-A Workpapers, WP-1, line 61.

Rate and Bill Impact/Affordability Metrics

Increases resulting from this escalation filing are shown on the tables below.

Montility Meter Charges			
Meter Size	Current Charges ⁹	AL 324-W-A Charges ¹⁰	
5/8" x 3/4"	\$15.82	\$16.78	
3/4" x 3/4"	\$23.73	\$25.16	
1-inch	\$39.54	\$41.94	
1.5-inch	\$79.09	\$83.88	
2-inch	\$126.54	\$134.21	
3-inch	\$237.26	\$251.65	
4-inch	\$395.44	\$419.41	
6-inch	\$790.88	\$838.82	
8-inch	\$1,265.40	\$1,342.11	
10-inch	\$1,819.01	\$1,929.28	
12-inch	\$2,609.89	\$2,768.10	

Monthly Meter Charges

Quantity Charges (per ccf)

Charge	Current Charge	AL 324-W-A Charge
Uniform Qty. Charge	\$4.4041	\$4.4496
Tier 1 (0-12 ccf bimonthly)	\$3.1313	\$3.1637
Tier 2 (12-20 ccf bimonthly)	\$5.4039	\$5.4597
Tier 3 (>20 ccf bimonthly)	\$6.4168	\$6.4831

As shown on page WP-8 of Exhibit A, the increase to an average single-family residential bi-monthly bill is \$4.50, or 3.26%, from \$138.20 to \$142.71

⁷ D.04-06-018, at p. 14; see also, D.07-05-062, Appendix A, at p. A-19.

⁸ D.07-05-062, Appendix A, at p. A-19.

⁹ Current Charges are based upon approved advice letter 316-W-A.

¹⁰ See, Exhibit A, WP-6.

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The Affordability Metrics is required to be provided with the requested increase that is greater than one percent (1%) of currently approved revenues per D.22-08-023¹¹. Since the requested increase is less than 1%, Great Oaks is not required to provide Affordability Metrics for this requested increase.

Effective Date

The effective date for the tariffs proposed and requested in this advice letter is July 1, 2024, the first day of Great Oaks' Attrition Year

¹¹ D.22-08-023, Ordering Paragraph Great Oaks Water Company Advice Letter 324-W-A

Tier Designation

Escalation year requests are Tier 1 advice letters under General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(6). Because the request in this advice letter is in compliance with D.23-04-004, this is also considered a compliance filing under General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(3).

Notice and Service

Notice is being provided by publishing a legal notice in a newspaper of local circulation (San Jose Mercury News), and by providing a link to this advice letter filing on Great Oaks' website (www.greatoakswater.com). The notice being published is attached as Exhibit B hereto. This advice letter is also being served upon the Distribution List provided below.

Protests and Responses

Anyone may protest and respond to this advice letter. A response supports the filing and may contain information that proves 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 specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds may be based upon the following:

 The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter; or
The relief requested in the advice letter would violate a statute or Commission order, or is not authorized by statute or Commission order on which the utility relies; or

(3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the advice letter contain material error or omissions; or

(4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or

(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 re-litigating a prior order of the Commission).

Any protest or response must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Commission's Division of Water and Audits within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The advice letter process does not provide for any protests, responses or other comments, except for a reply by Great Oaks, after the 20-day comment period expires. The address for mailing or delivering a protest or response is:

Great Oaks Water Company Advice Letter 324-W-A Tariff Unit, Division of Water and Audits, 3rd floor California Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102 water.division@cpuc.ca.gov

On the same date any protest or response is submitted to the Water Division, the protesting or responding person, entity or party must serve a copy of the protest or response on Great Oaks addressed to:

Juan Liem Great Oaks Water Co. PO Box 23490 San Jose, CA 95153 Telephone: (408) 227-9540 Facsimile: (408) 227-7126 Email: jliem@greatoakswater.com

Great Oaks Water Company

/s/

Juan Liem Treasurer and Secretary

cc: Richard Rauschmeier, Public Advocates Office Syreeta Gibbs, Public Advocates Office

VERIFICATION

I am an officer of the Great Oaks Water Company and am authorized to make this verification on its behalf. The statements in the foregoing document, Great Oaks Water Co.'s Advice Letter 324-W-A, are true of my own knowledge, except as to matters that are therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

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

Executed on June 12, 2024 at Dallas, Texas.

<u>/s/</u> Juan Liem

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of Great Oaks Water Co.'s Advice Letter 324-W-A on the parties listed on the following Distribution List by mailing a properly addressed copy by first class mail with postage prepaid (or by email, when indicated with *). Any person on the Distribution List not receiving exhibits may request copies by contacting the undersigned directly.

Executed on June 12, 2024 at San Fransisco, California.

<u>/s/</u> Wendy Cordero

Great Oaks Water Company Advice Letter 324-W-A Great Oaks Water Co. Distribution List

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Proposed Tariff Sheets

<u>Revised</u> Revised

Schedule No. 1 <u>GENERAL METERED SERVICE</u>

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service.

TERRITORY

The area is Southeast San Jose, East of Snell Road and South of Hellyer Park.

RATES

1011125		
Quantity Rates:	Per Meter Per Month	
For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.	\$ 4.4496	(I)
Service Charge:		
For $5/8x3/4$ -inch meter	\$ 16.78	(I)
For 3/4-inch meter	25.16	(I)
For 1-inch meter	41.94	(I)
For 1 1/2-inch meter	83.88	(I)
For 2-inch meter	134.21	(I)
For 3-inch meter	251.65	(I)
For 4-inch meter	419.41	(I)
For 6-inch meter	838.82	(I)
For 8-inch meter	1,342.11	(I)
For 10-inch meter	1,929.28	(I)
For 12-inch meter	2,768.10	(I)

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is to be added the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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Advice Letter No. <u>324-W-A</u>	Juan Liem	Date Filed: 06/12/2024
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TITLE

Resolution No.

<u>GENERAL METER</u> Tiered Ra Designed and Ordered by the Californ	tes	ommission
<u>APPLICABILITY</u> Applicable to all single-family residential services only	Ι.	
<u>FERRITORY</u> The area is Southeast San Jose, East of Snell Road and	South of Hellyer Pa	ark.
RATES		
Quantity Rates (Tiered Rates): For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.	Per Meter/Per Mor	nth
For total bi-monthly usage from 0 to 12 Ccf.	\$ 3.1637	(I
For total bi-monthly usage above 12 to 20 Ccf.	5.4597	(I (I
For total bi-monthly usage over 20 Ccf.	6.4831	(I (I
Service Charge (Conservation Rates):		
For 5/8x3/4-inch meter	\$ 16.78	(
For $3/4x3/4$ -inch meter	25.16	(.
For 1-inch meter	41.94	(.
For 1 ¹ / ₂ -inch meter	83.88	(.
For 2-inch meter	134.21	(
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Juan Liem NAME Treasurer and Secretary TITLE

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Schedule No. 1 <u>GENERAL METERED SERVICE</u> (Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.

2. To provide ongoing funding for the Utility's Customer Assistance Program (CAP)	
as described in Tariff Rule 22, a surcharge of \$0.1497 will be added to the Quantity	(I)
Charge for all water delivered to non-CAP participants on and after July 1, 2024.	(C)

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Schedule N <u>IRRIGATION</u>	-	
<u>APPLICABILITY</u> Applicable to all metered water service.		
<u>TERRITORY</u> The area in Southeast San Jose, East of Snell Road an	nd South of Hellyer Park.	
RATES		
Quantity Rates:	Per Meter Per Month	l
For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.	\$ 4.4496	(I)
Service Charge:		
For 2-inch meter	\$ 134.21	(I)
For 3-inch meter	251.65	(I)
For 4-inch meter	419.41	(I)
For 6-inch meter	838.82	(I)
	1,929.28	(I)
For 8-inch meter	1,727.20	

The Service Charge is a readiness-to-serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is to be added to the charge for water used computed at the Quantity Rates.

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Schedule No. 3M IRRIGATION SERVICE (Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The Santa Clara Valley Water District requires the customer to certify the water is used to irrigate commercial agricultural crops for sale to qualify for this rate. It is an express condition of this Irrigation Service that the customer cooperates in making the necessary certification to the Water District.

2. The Santa Clara Valley Water District has surcharges or discounts applicable to water used to irrigate commercial agricultural crops if the customer/farmer participates in the Water District's special programs. These surcharges or discounts are applied per Acre Ft., are granted or imposed by the Water District each month based on the customer/farmer's level of participation, and will be passed through by the Company each month to the customer/farmer.

3. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.

4. To provide funding for the Utility's Customer Assistance Program (CAP), as described in Tariff Rule 22, a surcharge of \$0.1497 will be added to the Quantity Charge for all (I) water sold to non-CAP participants on and after July 1, 2024.

5. Customers who receive water deliveries for agricultural purposes under this schedule, and who present evidence to the Utility that such deliveries qualify for the lower pump tax rates levied by the Santa Clara Valley Water District for agricultural water, shall receive a credit of \$3.2917 per 100 (R) cu.ft. used during the period covered by that bill on and after July 1, 2024.

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Schedule <u>CONTRACT RES</u>		
<u>APPLICABILITY</u> Potable water metered service delivered to a water re Company's certified service territory.	etailer by contract at location	n outside the
<u>TERRITORY</u> Wholesale water service may be obtained for use our	tside the Company's certific	ed service territory.
<u>RATES</u>		
Quantity Rates: For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.	\$ 4.4496	(I)
Service Charge:	Per Meter <u>Per Month</u>	
For 2-inch meter For 3-inch meter For 4-inch meter For 6-inch meter For 8-inch meter For 10-inch meter For 12-inch meter	\$ 134.21 251.65 419.41 838.82 1,342.11 1,929.28 2,768.10	(I) (I) (I) (I) (I) (I)
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FILE NO. Rate Changes Authorized by Calif. Public Utilities Commission San Jose Mercury News

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That at all times hereinafter mentioned affiant was and still is a citizen of the United States, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above entitled proceedings; and was at and during all said times and still is the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of the San Jose Mercury News, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published daily in the City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, State of California as determined by the court's decree dated June 27, 1952, Case Numbers 84096 and 84097, and that said San Jose Mercury News is and was at all times herein mentioned a newspaper of general circulation as that term is defined by Sections 6000; that at all times said newspaper has been established, printed and published in the said County and State at regular intervals for more than one year preceding the first publication of the notice herein mentioned. Said decree has not been revoked, vacated or set aside.

I declare that the notice, of which the annexed is a true printed copy, has been published in each regular or entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to wit:

05/27/2024

Dated at San Jose, California May 28, 2024

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

Principal clerk of the printer and publisher of the San Jose Mercury News

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GREAT OAKS WATER COMPANY NOTICE OF ESCALATION YEAR RATE CHANGES AUTHORIZED BY CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION Great Oaks Water Company (Great Oaks) has filed Advice Letter 324-W (AL 324-W) with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting authorization to establish and implement escalation year rate changes consis-tent with Commission authority. Under Great Oaks' request, its total revenue requirement will increase by \$167,206 (0.67%), from \$24,831,953 to \$24,999,159. As shown in the table below, the average single-family residential customer bill will increase by \$4.53 (3.28%).

Great Oaks has also filed Advice Letter 325-W (AL 325-W) with the Commission to address higher groundwater charges (pump taxes) recently adopted by the Santa Clara Valley Water District. Current rates will apply to water sold through June 30, 2024 and will then be replaced by the new AL 324-W rates and AL 325-W pump tax surcharge. AL 325-W pump tax increase will increase Great Oaks' total revenue requirement by \$1,791,163 (7.2%) over the revenues requested in AL 324-W.

As a result of the two Advice Letters, the average single-family residential customer bimonthly bill will increase by a total of \$10.75 (7.8%). Complete copies of the AL filings are available at www.greatoakswater.com.

At Current Rates			At AL 324-Rates		At AL 325-W Rates				
Item	Amount	Units	Total	Amount	Units	Total	Amount	Units	Total
Monthly Service Charge	\$ 23.73	2	\$47.46	\$ 25.16	2	\$50.33	\$ 23.12	2	\$46.25
Tier 1	\$3,1313	12	\$37.58	\$3,1647	12	\$37.98	\$3.5605	12	\$42.73
Tier 2	\$5.4039	8	\$43.23	\$5.4615	8	\$43.69	\$6.1445	8	\$49.16
CAP Surcharge	\$0.1219	20	\$ 2.44	\$0.1497	20	\$ 2.99	\$0.1372	20	\$ 2.74
Subtotal			\$130.70			\$134.99			\$140.8
CPUC Fee	0.70%		\$ 0.91	0.70%	-	\$ 0.94	0.70%		\$ 0.9
Subtotal			\$131.62			\$135.94			\$141.8
SJ Utility Tax	5.00%		\$ 6.58	5.00%	1	\$ 6.80	5.00%		\$ 7.0
Total			\$138.20			\$142.74			\$148.9
-				1	ncrease	\$ 4.53		Increa	se \$ 6.22
				Per	centage			Percent	age 4.36

<u>Protests and Responses</u>: Anyone may protest and respond to this Advice Letter. A Response supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the Advice Letters. A Protest objects to the Ad-vice Letter in whole or in part and must set forth specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds may be based upon the following:

The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the Advice Letters; or
The relief requested in the Advice Letters would violate a statute or Commission order, or is not authorized by statute or Commission order on which the utility relies; or
The analysis, calculations, or data in the Advice Letters contain material error or omissions; or
The relief requested in the Advice Letters requires consideration in a formal proceeding; or
The relief requested in the Advice Letters requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the Advice Letter process; or
The relief requested in the Advice Letters 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).

may not be made where it would require re-intgating a prior order of the Commission). Any Protest or Response must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Water Division of the Commission within 20 days of the date this Advice Letters are filed. The Advice Letter process does not provide for any Protests, Responses or other comments, except for a reply by Great Oaks Water Company, after the 20-day comment period expires. The address for mailing or delivering a Protest or Response is: Tariff Unit, Water Division, 3rd floor California Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102 water division Cecuc.ca.gov On the same date any Protest or Response is submitted to the Water Division, the protesting or responding person, enti-ty or party must serve a copy of the Protest or Response on Great Oaks addressed to Juna Liem, Great Oaks Water Co., 20 Great Oaks Blvd. Suite 120, San Jose, CA 95119, 408-227-9540, 408 227-7126 (fax), jliem@greatoakswater.com. SJMN #6830608: May 27, 2024

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