

GREAT OAKS WATER COMPANY

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California Public Utilities Commission Division of Water and Audits 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

Advice Letter 333-W

Great Oaks Water Company (Great Oaks) submits this Tier 1 Advice Letter to revise its Preliminary Statement in compliance with the California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Decision (D.) 25-06-011 in Great Oaks' 2024 General Rate Case (GRC), Application (A.) 24-07-001. The proposed tariff sheets, reflecting the changes in Great Oaks' preliminary statement are applicable throughout Great Oaks' entire service area are listed in the table below and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Sheet Number(s)	Title of Tariff Sheet	Canceling Sheet No(s).	
	Preliminary Statement		
Remove	2021 Interim Rates Memorandum	991-W	
	Account		
Remove	Preliminary Statement		
	Supplier Diversity Program Expense	1010-W	
	Memorandum Account		
Remove	Preliminary Statement	1007-W	
	Pension Expense Balancing Account	1007-w	
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Background

In compliance with the determinations in D.25-06-011, issued on June 20, 2025, and as approved in Advice Letter 326-W, Great Oaks submits this advice letter to remove the 2021 Interim Rates Memorandum Account, the Pension Expense Balancing Account, and the Supplier Diversity Program Expense Memorandum from its preliminary statement. These items were removed from the settlement agreement in D.25-06-011 after the Public Advocates Office conceded that the accounts had been resolved following the approval of Advice letter 326-W. That advice letter was approved on December 31, 2024, while the general rate case proceeding was still pending.

Discussion

- <u>Removal of Tariff Sheet No. 991-W 2021 Interim Rates Memorandum Account</u>. This account tracks revenue differential between interim rates and the adopted rates in Great Oaks' 2021 GRC. The total over-collected balance refunded through Advice Letter 326-W was \$711,075, including \$48,718 in interest. This memorandum account is now closed.
- <u>Removal of Tariff Sheet No. 1010-W Supplier Diversity Program Expesse</u> <u>Memorandum Account</u>. This account tracks and recovers incremental expenses incurred by Great Oaks to comply with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Supplier Diversity Program and Public Utilities Code Sec. 8283 which were not reflected in authorized rates. The total under-collected balance recovered through Advice Letter 326-W was \$51,400, including \$1,400 in interest. This memorandum account is now closed.
- 3. <u>Proposed Tariff Sheet No. 1007-W Pension Expense Balancing Account</u>. This account tracks the difference between authorized plan expenses and the actual pension expenses for Great Oaks' Defined Benefit Plan. D.25-06-011 authorizes Great Oaks to terminate the Defined Benefit Pension Plan and establish establish a Defined Contribution Plan or 401(k) Retirement Plan. As a result, this balancing account is no longer necessary and is now closed. The total under-collected balance recovered through Advice Letter 326-W was \$1,200,458, including \$104,909 in interest.

Additional Information

No Effect on Water Service

This filing has no effect on water service being provided to ratepayers.

Tier Designation

Pursuant to General Order 96-B and Water Industry Rule 7.3.1, this is a Tier 1 advice letter implementing rates and charges in compliance with D.25-06-011.

Requested Effective Date

Pursuant to D.25-06-011, the effective date is July 1, 2025.

Notice

No additional notice is required for this compliance filing pursuant to General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rule 3.2. This Advice Letter is being served upon the Distribution List provided below and being posted on Great Oaks' website, <u>www.greatoakswater.com</u>.

Response or Protest

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:

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 Email: jliem@greatoakswater.com

> Great Oaks Water Company /s/ Juan Liem Chief Financial Officer

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 333-W, 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 30, 2025 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 333-W 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 (e)). Any person on the Distribution List not receiving exhibits may request copies by contacting the undersigned directly.

Executed on June 30, 2025 at Dallas, Texas.

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

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