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**Advice Letter 338-W
Great Oaks Water Company (U-162-W) to the California Public
Utilities Commission Requesting Authorization to Increase Revenue
to Offset Increased Pump Tax**

Great Oaks Water Company (Great Oaks) transmits this Tier 1 advice letter establishing a change in base rates to offset increased pump taxes being imposed upon Great Oaks by the Santa Clara Valley Water District effective July 1, 2026. The following changes in tariff schedules applicable to Great Oaks entire service area are proposed:

CPUC Sheet No. ¹	Title of Tariff Sheet	Canceling Sheet No.
1123-W	Schedule No. 1 General Metered Service	1116-W
1124-W	Schedule No. 1 Tiered Rates	1117-W

¹ Tariff sheet numbers reflect the replacement of the tariff sheets included with Advice Letter 337-W

1125-W	Schedule No. 1 General Metered Service Special Conditions	1118-W
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Summary of Advice Letter 338-W

Great Oaks filed Advice Letter 338-W on May 17, 2024 to increase revenue to address higher groundwater production charges (pump taxes) levied by the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water), effective July 1, 2026. On May 12, 2026, the Valley Water Board of Directors passed a Resolution adopting pump taxes for the period of time from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. A copy of the Valley Water Resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

The Water Division of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has requested that instead of recovering increased costs due to the higher pump taxes levied by Valley Water through a surcharge, Great Oaks should request the additional cost recovery through a change in base rates. This Advice Letter 338-W complies with the Water Division’s request and builds upon Advice Letter 337-W (escalation year filing), including base rates and tiered rate design.

Great Oaks Advice Letter 337-W established rates for the 2026/2027 rate year before Valley Water increased the groundwater charges imposed upon groundwater producers like Great Oaks. The amount of groundwater charges included in Advice Letter 337-W rate calculations was \$14,005,152. With the recent increase in groundwater charges, the total amount of groundwater charges projected for the 2026/2027 rate year has increased by \$1,291,563.²

The increase in groundwater charges also results in increases in Account 775 Uncollectible Expenses (increase of \$5,657, from \$81,363 to \$87,020) and in Account 796 Franchise Requirements (increase of \$32,168, from \$518,072 to \$550,240). The total increase in the revenue requirement resulting from the increase in groundwater charges is \$1,329,389, from \$26,182,623 (Advice

² See Advice Letter 338-W Exhibit B Workpapers, at WP-1.

Letter 337-W) to \$27,512,012. This represents an increase in the revenue requirement of 5.1% over the revenue requirement of Advice Letter 337-W.

Other Pending Advice Letter

Great Oaks filed and served Advice Letter 337-W requesting authorization to establish and implement an escalation year rate change for the 2026/2027 rate year in prior filing on the same day. Tariff sheets accompanying this Advice Letter 338-W are based upon the Advice Letter 337-W escalation year rate change and associated tariff sheets.

Effect of Pending Advice Letter 337-W on this Advice Letter Filing

Because Standard Practice U-34-W required Great Oaks to utilize normalized metered customers and consumption in its escalation filing (Advice Letter 337-W), the number of customers and total water production are slightly different than the adopted customer and water production totals for Test Year 2025/2026 (and rate year 2026/2027).

Changes to base rates for this Advice Letter 338-W are premised upon the approval of Advice Letter 337-W and the rates established thereby. The Advice Letter 338-W Exhibit B Workpapers provide all the necessary calculations for the new rates requested in this advice letter. The proposed tariff sheets attached to this Advice Letter 338-W will replace the Advice Letter 337-W tariff sheets. Exhibit B is provided to the water division, and is available upon request.

Effects on Average Customer Bills

The effect of the new and higher pump tax on the bill of an average single-family residential customer with a 3/4" x 3/4" meter using 10 CCF of water per month is \$5.61 (3.72%) per bimonthly bill, as shown in the following table taken from the Exhibit B Workpapers, page WP-3.

Item	At Current Rates			At AL 337-W Rates			At AL 338-W Rates		
	Amount	Units	Total	Amount	Units	Total	Amount	Units	Total
Monthly Service Charge	\$31.01	2	\$62.02	\$32.67	2	\$65.34	\$32.49	2	\$64.98
Tier 1	\$2.7187	12	\$32.62	\$2.7242	12	\$32.69	\$2.9454	12	\$35.35
Tier 2	\$4.6918	8	\$37.53	\$4.7013	8	\$37.61	\$5.0831	8	\$40.66
CAP Surcharge	\$0.1511	20	\$3.02	\$0.1933	20	\$3.87	\$0.1917	20	\$3.83
Purchased Power Surcharge	\$0.1469	20	\$2.94	\$0.1469	20	\$2.94	\$0.1469	20	\$2.94
Subtotal			\$138.14			\$142.45			\$147.76
CPUC Fee	0.70%		\$0.97	0.70%		\$1.00	0.70%		\$1.03
Subtotal			\$139.11			\$143.45			\$148.79
SJ Utility Tax	5.00%		\$6.96	5.00%		\$7.17	5.00%		\$7.44
Total			\$146.06			\$150.62			\$156.23
				Increase		\$4.56	Increase		\$5.61
				Percentage		3.12%	Percentage		3.72%

No Effect on Water Service

This Advice Letter filing will not cause the withdrawal of service, nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

Effective Date – July 1, 2026

The base rates established through this Advice Letter become effective July 1, 2026.

Tier Designation

This is a Tier 1 Advice Letter pursuant to General Order 96-B and Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(7).

Notice and Service

Since Advice Letter 337-W and 338-W are filed on the same day for an increase in base rates to be effective on the same date July 1, 2026, and Advice Letter 338-W calculations builds upon 337-W, only one Public Notice addressing the rate changes from both advice letters were published as a legal notice in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C in the San Jose Mercury News, a newspaper of local circulation, pursuant to General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rule 3.1. A copy of 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:

(1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the Advice Letter;
or

(2) 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 Water Division of the Commission 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, Water Division, 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, 408-227-9540, 408 227-7126 (fax), email: jliem@greatoakswater.com.

Great Oaks Water Company

/s/

Juan Liem
Treasurer and Secretary

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Advice Letter 338-W

Proposed Tariff Sheets

Schedule No. 1
GENERAL METERED SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service.

TERRITORY

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

RATES

Quantity Rates:	Per Meter Per Month		
For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.	\$ 4.1427	(I)	
<u>Service Charge:</u>			
For 5/8x3/4-inch meter	\$ 21.66	(R)	
For 3/4-inch meter	32.49		
For 1-inch meter	54.15		
For 1 1/2-inch meter	108.29		
For 2-inch meter	173.27		
For 3-inch meter	324.88		
For 4-inch meter	541.46		
For 6-inch meter	1,082.92		
For 8-inch meter	1,732.68		
For 10-inch meter	2,490.73		
For 12-inch meter	3,573.65		(R)

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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Schedule No. 1
GENERAL METERED SERVICE

Tiered Rates

Designed and Ordered by the California Public Utilities Commission

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all single-family residential services only.

TERRITORY

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

RATES

Quantity Rates (Tiered Rates):	Per Meter/Per Month	
For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.		
For total bi-monthly usage from 0 to 12 Ccf.	\$ 2.9454	(I)
For total bi-monthly usage above 12 to 20 Ccf.	5.0831	(I)
For total bi-monthly usage over 20 Ccf.	7.0177	(I)
Service Charge (Conservation Rates):		
For 5/8x3/4-inch meter	\$ 21.66	(R)
For 3/4x3/4-inch meter	32.49	
For 1-inch meter	54.15	
For 1 1/2-inch meter	108.29	
For 2-inch meter	173.27	
For 3-inch meter	324.88	
For 4-inch meter	541.46	
For 6-inch meter	1,082.92	
For 8-inch meter	1,732.68	
For 10-inch meter	2,490.73	
For 12-inch meter	3,573.65	(R)

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

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Schedule No. 1
GENERAL METERED SERVICE
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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 \$0.1917 will be added to the Quantity Charge for all water delivered to non-CAP participants on and after July 1, 2026. (R)
3. To refund a net over-collection in authorized balancing and memorandum accounts, a credit in the total amount of \$113.86 will be applied to the service charge portion of each customer's bill over a period of twenty-two months after the effective date of Advice Letter 331-W, July 1, 2025. The amount of the credit per two-months billing cycle will be \$18.98 over six billing cycles. The amount of the credit per one-month billing cycle will be \$9.49 over twelve billing cycles. Only active customers with accounts established by December 31, 2023, will receive the credit against the service charge.
4. To amortize the net under-collection in the Purchased Power Balancing Account, a surcharge of \$0.1469 per 100 cubic feet shall be added to the quantity rate for all water delivered beginning April 1, 2026, and shall remain in effect for twelve months.

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Schedule No. 3M
IRRIGATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service.

TERRITORY

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

RATES

Quantity Rates:	Per Meter Per Month	
For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft.	\$ 4.1427	(I)
Service Charge:		
For 2-inch meter	\$ 173.27	(R)
For 3-inch meter	324.88	
For 4-inch meter	541.46	
For 6-inch meter	1,082.92	
For 8-inch meter	1,732.68	
For 10-inch meter	2,490.73	(R)

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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IRRIGATION SERVICE
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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 \$0.1917 will be added to the Quantity Charge for all water sold to non-CAP participants on and after July 1, 2026. (R)
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 \$3.5441 per 100 cu.ft. used during the period covered by that bill on and after July 1, 2026. (I)
6. To refund a net over-collection in authorized balancing and memorandum accounts, a credit in the total amount of \$113.86 will be applied to the service charge portion of each customer's bill over a period of twelve months after the effective date of Advice Letter 331-W, July 1, 2025. The amount of the credit per two-months billing cycle will be \$18.98 over six billing cycles. The amount of the credit per one-month billing cycle will be \$9.49 over twelve billing cycles. Only active customers with accounts established by December 31, 2023, will receive the credit against the service charge.
7. To amortize the net under-collection in the Purchased Power Balancing Account, a surcharge of \$0.1469 per 100 cubic feet shall be added to the quantity rate for all water delivered beginning April 1, 2026, and shall remain in effect for twelve months.

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Schedule No. 6
CONTRACT RESALE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Potable water metered service delivered to a water retailer by contract at location outside the Company's certified service territory.

TERRITORY

Wholesale water service may be obtained for use outside the Company's certified service territory.

RATES

Quantity Rates:

For all water delivered, per 100 Cu. Ft. \$ 4.1427 (I)

Service Charge:

	Per Meter	
	<u>Per Month</u>	
For 2-inch meter	\$ 173.27	(R)
For 3-inch meter	324.88	
For 4-inch meter	541.46	
For 6-inch meter	1,082.92	
For 8-inch meter	1,732.68	
For 10-inch meter	2,490.73	
For 12-inch meter	3,573.65	

The Meter 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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EXHIBIT A

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-21

DETERMINING GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026–2027

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) does find and declare as follows:

1. That pursuant to Section 26.5 of the Santa Clara Valley Water District Act (“District Act”), a written report detailing Valley Water’s activities in the protection and augmentation of the water supplies of Valley Water has been prepared including: a financial analysis of Valley Water’s water utility system, information as to the present and future water requirements of Valley Water, the water supply available to Valley Water, and future capital improvements and maintenance and operating requirements; a method of financing such requirements; a recommendation as to whether or not the groundwater production charge should continue to be levied in any zone or zones of Valley Water during the ensuing fiscal year; and a proposal of a rate per acre-foot for agricultural water and a rate per acre-foot for all water other than agricultural water for Zones W-2, W-5, W-7, and W-8;
2. That on the 27th day of February 2026, said report was duly delivered to the Clerk of the Valley Water Board;
3. That the Clerk, pursuant to Section 26.6 of the District Act, gave due notice of the receipt of the report and of a public hearing to be held commencing on the 14th day of April 2026, by teleconference, videoconference, or both and in-person attendance at the time stated;
4. That on February 27, 2026, written notice was mailed to all owners and operators of water-producing facilities within Valley Water’s boundaries, advising of the proposed groundwater production charge rates to be levied, and of the opportunities to be heard concerning such charges;
5. That pursuant to Section 26.6 of the District Act, on the 14th day of April 2026, at 1 p.m. a public hearing upon said report was duly commenced, and was continued for further hearing to the evening of April 22, 2026, in Morgan Hill, California, and continued again to the afternoon of April 28, 2026, whereupon the hearing was concluded, more than 45 days after notice of the hearing was given;
6. That during said public hearing, additional information and evidence was provided that was considered by the Board in making its decision on groundwater production charges, and the public and all persons subject to groundwater production charges were invited to speak or present written comments at the public hearing;
7. That the charges established by this resolution are for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing, maintaining, and operating facilities to import water into Valley Water; paying the cost of purchasing imported water; paying the cost of constructing, maintaining, and operating facilities for groundwater recharge, surface distribution, and the purification and treatment of water; and paying the principal and interest of any bonded indebtedness or other financial obligations of Valley Water incurred for those purposes;

8. That this Board considered all comments objecting to the proposed groundwater production charge increases for Zones W-2, W-5, W-7, and W-8;
9. That this Board, based on the whole record before it, finds that the revenues derived from the groundwater production charges will not exceed the funds required to provide services to Zones W-2, W-5, W-7, and W-8, as authorized under the District Act, and that the amount levied does not and will not exceed the proportional cost of service; and
10. That the California Environmental Quality Act does not apply to approval of these charges.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District as follows:

FIRST: Valley Water activities in the geographic area identified as Zone W-2 benefit said zone and those who rely directly or indirectly upon the groundwater supplies of such zone and water imported into such zone; Valley Water activities in the geographic area of Valley Water identified as Zone W-5 benefit said zone and those who rely directly or indirectly upon the groundwater supplies of such zone and water imported into such zone; Valley Water activities in the geographic area of Valley Water identified as Zone W-7 benefit said zone and those who rely directly or indirectly upon the groundwater supplies of such zone and water imported into such zone; and Valley Water activities in the geographic area of Valley Water identified as Zone W-8 benefit said zone and those who rely directly or indirectly upon the groundwater supplies of such zone and water imported into such zone. Revenues derived from groundwater production charges shall be used only for such activities as authorized under the District Act.

SECOND: Based upon the findings and determinations from said hearing, the entire record presented to the Board and results of protests received, the Board hereby determines that fiscal year 2026–2027 groundwater production charge (per acre-foot) for agricultural water and for all water other than agricultural water should be increased. Accordingly, such charges shall be, and are hereby set as follows on all persons operating groundwater-producing facilities in Zone W-2 of Valley Water for fiscal year 2026–2027 (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027) at the following per acre-foot rates:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$2,673.00	\$46.50

THIRD: Based upon the findings and determinations from said hearing, the entire record presented to the Board and results of protests received, the Board hereby determines that fiscal year 2026–2027 groundwater production charge (per acre-foot) for agricultural water and for all water other than agricultural water should be increased. Accordingly, such charges shall be, and are hereby set as follows on all persons operating groundwater-producing facilities in Zone W-5 of Valley Water for fiscal year 2026–2027 (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027) at the following per acre-foot rates:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$665.50	\$46.50

FOURTH: Based upon the findings and determinations from said hearing, the entire record presented to the Board and results of protests received, the Board hereby determines that fiscal year 2026–2027 groundwater production charge (per acre-foot) for agricultural water and for all water other than agricultural water should be increased. Accordingly, such charges shall be, and

are hereby set as follows on all persons operating groundwater-producing facilities in Zone W-7 of Valley Water for fiscal year 2026–2027 (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027) at the following per acre-foot rates:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$913.00	\$46.50

FIFTH: Based upon the findings and determinations from said hearing, the entire record presented to the Board and results of protests received, the Board hereby determines that fiscal year 2026–2027 groundwater production charge (per acre-foot) for agricultural water and for all water other than agricultural water should be increased. Accordingly, such charges shall be, and are hereby set as follows on all persons operating groundwater-producing facilities in Zone W-8 of Valley Water for fiscal year 2026–2027 (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027) at the following per acre-foot rates:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$501.00	\$46.50

SIXTH: Notice of the setting of groundwater production charges in the identified rates shall be given as provided in Section 26.8 of the District Act.

SEVENTH: The groundwater production charges set forth in this resolution shall be in effect until subsequent action of this Board modifying them.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District by the following vote on May 12, 2026:

AYES: Directors

NOES: Directors

ABSENT: Directors

ABSTAIN: Directors

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

TONY ESTREMER
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

CANDICE KWOK-SMITH
Clerk, Board of Directors

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EXHIBIT C

**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 337-W (AL 337-W) with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting authorization to establish and implement escalation year rate changes consistent with Commission authority. Under Great Oaks’ request, its total revenue requirement will increase by \$175,521 (0.7%), from \$26,010,102 to \$26,182,623. As shown in the table below, the average single-family residential customer bill will increase by \$4.56 (3.12%).

Great Oaks has also filed Advice Letter 338-W (AL 338-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, 2026 and will then be replaced by the new AL 337-W rates and AL 338-W pump tax surcharge. AL 338-W pump tax increase will increase Great Oaks’ total revenue requirement by \$1,329,389 (5.1%) over the revenues requested in AL 337-W.

As a result of the two Advice Letters, the average single-family residential customer bimonthly bill will increase by a total of \$10.17 (7.0%). Complete copies of the AL filings are available at www.greatoakswater.com.

Bill Comparison

Bi-Monthly Average Single-Family Residential Customer with 3/4" x 3/4" Meter Using 10ccf per Month

At Current Rates				At AL 337-W Rates			At AL 338-W Rates		
Item	Amount	Units	Total	Amount	Units	Total	Amount	Units	Total
Monthly Service Charge	\$31.01	2	\$62.02	\$32.67	2	\$65.34	\$32.49	2	\$64.98
Tier 1	\$2.7187	12	\$32.62	\$2.7242	12	\$32.69	\$2.9454	12	\$35.35
Tier 2	\$4.6918	8	\$37.53	\$4.7013	8	\$37.61	\$5.0831	8	\$40.66
CAP Surcharge	\$0.1511	20	\$3.02	\$0.1933	20	\$3.87	\$0.1917	20	\$3.83
Purchased Power Surcharg	\$0.1469	20	\$2.94	\$0.1469	20	\$2.94	\$0.1469	20	\$2.94
Subtotal			\$138.14			\$142.45			\$147.76
CPUC Fee	0.70%		\$0.97	0.70%		\$1.00	0.70%		\$1.03
Subtotal			\$139.11			\$143.45			\$148.79
SJ Utility Tax	5.00%		\$6.96	5.00%		\$7.17	5.00%		\$7.44
Total			\$146.06			\$150.62			\$156.23
				Increase		\$4.56	Increase		\$5.61
				Percentage		3.12%	Percentage		3.72%

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 Letters. 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:

- (1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the Advice Letters; or
- (2) 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
- (3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the Advice Letters contain material error or omissions; or
- (4) The relief requested in the Advice Letters is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- (5) The relief requested in the Advice Letters requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the Advice Letter process; or
- (6) 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).

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@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., 20 Great Oaks Blvd. Suite 120, San Jose, CA 95119, 408-227-9540, 408 227-7126 (fax), jliem@greatoakswater.com.