

Customer Notice

This document is a notice to the customers of Lake Alpine Water Company (LAWC) regarding recent decisions by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) pertaining to Application 11-04-013 and the subsequent proceedings about the ownership of LAWC.

An organization known as Ratepayers of Lake Alpine Water Company (RLAWC) filed a protest to this application and sought compensation as an intervenor.

In the first decision, D.13-03-007, the Commission (1) approved the acquisition of stock in LAWC by an investment group and (2) concluded that the management of LAWC (including the new investors) had operated the company in a sound manner.

In the second decision, D.14-11-016, the Commission found that RLAWC made a limited contribution to D.13-03-007 and qualified for \$42,517.07 in compensation for its contribution.

On December 2, 2014, LAWC paid \$43,180.34 (\$42,517.07 plus interest of \$663.27) to RLAWC. Pursuant to Section 1807 of the Public Utilities Code, that sum is allowed as an expense of the utility and shall be fully recovered within one year from the customer base through a surcharge.

Lake Alpine Water Company proposes a monthly surcharge of \$14.72 per service for 6 months calculated by dividing the total expense by the total number of services which assumes approval is granted in April 2015. The surcharge amount and period may be adjusted depending on an approval date for the requested recovery of the compensation.

Response or Protest

Anyone may respond to or protest 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 the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds are:

- (1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter;
- (2) The relief requested in the advice letter 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 advice letter contain material error or omissions;
- (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 relitigating a prior order of the Commission.)

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

A response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Division of Water and Audits within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed.

The address for mailing or delivering a protest 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 the response or protest is submitted to the Division of Water and Audits, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy by mail (or e-mail) to us, addressed to:

Kimi Johnson, General Manager
Lake Alpine Water Company
PO BOX 5013
Bear Valley, CA 95223
Fax: 209-753-2345 or Email: info@lakealpinewater.com

Replies: The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Each reply must be received by the Division of Water and Audits within 5 business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day to the person who filed the protest or response.

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, contact Lake Alpine Water Company, 209-753-2409.

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