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#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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January 14, 2025

Kiki Carlson Regulatory Affairs Manager Suburban Water Systems 1325 N. Grand Ave., Ste. 100 Covina, CA 91724-4044

Dear Ms. Carlson,

Enclosed is a copy of the Suburban Water Systems' Advice Letter No. 405, which has been withdrawn per Kiki Carlson's e-mail on January 14, 2025.

As a reminder, Advice Letter numbers of withdrawn filings shall not be reused.

Please contact Wilson Tsai at WT1@cpuc.ca.gov, if you have any questions.

Thank you.

**Enclosures** 







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### VIA EMAIL

U-339-W

ADVICE LETTER NO. 405-W

January 13, 2025

### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Suburban Water Systems ("Suburban") hereby requests an extension to file the compliance advice letter related to ordering paragraph 6 of Decision ("D.") 24-12-007 to no later than January 22, 2025. Ordering paragraph 6 would otherwise require cost of capital advice letter to be filed within 30 days of the date of the order, by January 13, 2025.

Suburban currently does not have the complete information to implement the 2025 rates. Suburban's most recent GRC decision 24-12-030 was issued on December 23, 2024, and ordering paragraph 3 authorized Suburban to implement Escalation Year 2025 through Tier 2 Advice Letter.

Suburban plans to file 2025 step rate increase on January 22, 2025 and proposes to simultaneously incorporate the cost of capital's rate of return authorized in D.24-12-007 beginning January 1, 2025.

A copy of the letter requesting an extension to file rate changes addressed to Executive Director Rachel A. Peterson was emailed on January 6, 2025, is attached as Attachment B.

#### Tier Designation and Effective Date

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Water Industry Rule 7.3.1(3), this is a Tier 1 advice letter.

Suburban requests an effective date of January 1, 2025.

In compliance with General Order 96-B, General Rule 4.3 and 7.2, and Water Industry Rule 4.1, a copy of this advice letter has been mailed or electronically transmitted to all interested and affected parties as detailed in Attachment A.

### **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 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 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).

A protest may not rely on policy objections to an Advice Letter (AL) where the relief requested in the AL follows rules or directions established by statute or Commission order applicable to the utility.

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest. DWA must receive a response or protest via email (or postal mail) within 20 days of the date the AL is filed.

The addresses for submitting a response or protest are:

Email Address: Mailing Address:

Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov California Public Utilities Commission

Division of Water and Audits, 3rd Floor

505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

On the same date any protest or response is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant must serve a copy of the protest or response to: Suburban Water Systems, Kiki Carlson, Director of Regulatory Affairs, 1325 N. Grand Ave., Suite 100, Covina, CA 91724-4044, and email kiki.carlson@nexuswg.com

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Water Division, within the 20-day protest period, so that a late filed protest can be entertained. The informing document should include an estimate of the date the proposed protest might be voted on.

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 Suburban Water Systems at (626) 543-2500.

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

Sincerely,	
/s/Kiki Carlson	
Kiki Carlson Director, Regulatory Affair	S

**Enclosures** 

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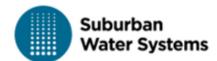
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### Attachment B



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January 6, 2025

#### **VIA EMAIL**

Rachel A. Peterson Executive Director California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 rachel.peterson@cpuc.ca.gov

Re: Suburban Water Systems (U-339-W) Request for an Extension to File Rate Changes

Dear Executive Director Peterson:

Pursuant to Rule 16.6 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rule") of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"), Suburban Water Systems ("Suburban") hereby requests an extension of the time to comply with Ordering Paragraph 6 of Decision ("D.") 24-12-007 issued on December 12, 2024 in proceeding A.23-05-001 (and Related Matters). Ordering Paragraph 6 would otherwise require cost of capital advice letters to be filed within 30 days of the date of the order, by January 13, 2025.

Suburban's most recent GRC decision, D.24-12-030, was issued on December 23, 2024. Implementing the GRC Decision will determine key data, such as the 2025 step rate increase and rate base determinations, that are crucial for determining Suburban's most recently authorized cost of capital. Therefore, Suburban is unable at this time to comply with the directive in Ordering Paragraph 6 to put into effect the rate changes for 2025 reflecting the cost of capital approved in D.24-12-007.

As a result, Suburban requests that the deadline for the filing of the advice letter for the rate changes reflecting the approved cost of capital be extended to coincide with the deadline for implementation of the GRC Decision, including the 2025 Escalation Year rates, effective January 1, 2025.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ Carmelitha Bordelon

Carmelitha Bordelon VP Finance & Regulatory Affairs Suburban Water Systems

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER COMPANY (U3337W) for an authorized Cost of Capital for 2024 through 2026.	Application 23-05-001
And Related Matters	Application 23-05-002 Application 23-05-003 Application 23-05-004

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the accompanying *Suburban Water Systems (U-339-W) Request for an Extension to File Rate Changes* by transmitting a true and correct copy to the persons at the electronic notification addresses shown on the accompanying Service List for the above-referenced proceeding as follows:

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and by causing a true and correct copy to be sent electronically to the Administrative Law Judge Division by e-mail to aljextensionrequests@cpuc.ca.gov.

Executed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025, in Oakland, California.

/s/ Lori Anne Dolqueist
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