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**GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY'S
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
REQUESTING TO INCREASE RATES
ARDEN CORDOVA SERVICE AREA
(APPLICATION NO. 20-07-012)**

On July 15, 2020, Golden State Water Company (GSWC) filed what is known as a "General Rate Case" (GRC) application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The application filing by GSWC requests to increase rates over a three-year period, covering the years 2022 through 2024. This request to increase rates would be effective beginning January 1, 2022.

Why is GSWC requesting this rate increase?

The CPUC requires GSWC to submit a GRC application every three-years. GSWC is requesting authorization to increase revenues in the Arden Cordova service area by \$2,876,700 (or 19.03%) for 2022, \$622,600 (or 3.44%) in 2023, and \$691,600 (or 3.66%) in 2024. The total requested increase for all three years combined would be \$4,190,900 (or 26.13%).

The purpose of this GRC is for GSWC to cover its anticipated costs from 2022 through 2024 for improvements to the water supply system, federal income tax, property taxes and cost for other operating expenses (such as lab fees for testing and conservation, etc.)

On May 27, 2020, GSWC filed Advice Letter No. 1818-W with the CPUC regarding the acquisition of Sutter County Water Works District No. 1's (WWD1) Robbins Water System (Robbins). GSWC will provide service and water supply for Robbins customers and they will be served through the Arden-Cordova Customer Service Area. The acquisition of Robbins, which is reflected in this application, does not increase the rates requested for the existing Arden Cordova customers.

How could this affect my monthly bill?

If the proposed application is approved by the CPUC, the average residential customer with a 5/8 x 3/4" meter using 13 Ccf would see a monthly bill increase of \$6.96 (or 18.76%), from \$37.10 to \$44.06 in 2022. In 2023 the average residential customer would see a monthly bill increase of \$1.54 (or 3.50%), from \$44.06 to \$45.60, and a monthly bill increase of \$1.70 (or 3.73%), from \$45.60 to \$47.30 in 2024, **excluding any applicable surcharges.**

How does the rest of the process work?

This application will be assigned to a judge, who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The judge will issue a proposed decision which may adopt GSWC's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners.

The Public Advocates Office may review this application. The Public Advocates Office is the independent consumer advocate within the CPUC with a statutory mandate to represent customers of investor-owned utilities to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with safe and reliable service and the state's environmental policy goals. For more information,

please call (415) 703-1584, e-mail PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit publicadvocates.cpuc.ca.gov.

Where can I get more information?

Contact GSWC

- View GSWC's Application and related exhibits:
<https://www.gswater.com/2022-24grc>
- Contact GSWC's 24-hour Customer Service Center at:
1-800-999-4033 (toll-free) or TTY 1-877-933-9533
- Contact via email at:
customerservice@gswater.com
- Contact via mail at:

Golden State Water Company
Attention: Regulatory Affairs Department
630 East Foothill Boulevard
San Dimas, CA 91773

Contact the CPUC

You may also get information regarding this proceeding by contacting the CPUC:

- If you would like to make a comment, please visit cpuc.ca.gov/A2007012Comments to submit a comment on the CPUC Docket Card. You can also view other public comments related to this rate request.
- If you have questions about the CPUC process, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office via:

Phone: **1-866-849-8390** (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074**
1-866-836-7825 (toll-free) or TTY 1-415-703-5282

Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Please reference **GSWC's GRC Application No. 20-07-012** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

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