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March 28, 2022

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Advice Letter No. 574

San Jose Water Company (U-168-W) (SJWC) hereby transmits for filing the following changes in tariff schedules applicable to its service area and which are attached hereto:

Cal. P.U.C Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
2158-W	Rule 22	1464-W
2159-W	Form No. 24	1465-W
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With this advice letter, SJWC requests authorization to update Rule 22, Customer Information Sharing and Form No.24, Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement. This filing will authorize SJWC, upon request, to disclose updated specific customer information to prescribed sanitation districts. This update is necessary to respond to the City of San Jose's request for additional customer information for the sole purpose of calculating sewer fees. Customer data is protected, as required by law, pursuant to Non-Disclosure agreements with the involved entities.

These tariffs are submitted pursuant to General Orders (GO) No. 96-B Water Industry Rules 7.3.2(7). This advice letter is designated as a Tier 2 Advice Letter.

Background

SJWC provides customer data in accordance with Rule 22 annually to sanitation districts with overlapping service areas. Sanitation districts currently requesting customer data include Burbank Sanitary District, Cupertino Sanitary District, City of San Jose, Sunol Sanitary District, and West Valley Sanitation District ("Sanitation Districts"). The Sanitation Districts use this information to calculate sewer fees. Due to the privacy provisions outlined in the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Standard Practice U-15W and Public Utilities Code, Section 588, SJWC now requests Commission authorization to share this limited customer data with the Sanitation Districts, if requested. SJWC seeks to provide this information solely for the purpose of calculating sewer fees.

Pursuant to Industry Rules 7.3.2(7) and 8.2 (Request for Similar Treatment) of General Order 96-B, SJWC is requesting similar treatment afforded to Golden State Water Company (GSWC) in Resolution W-4834, which granted GSWC the authority to create a Customer Information Sharing rule and a Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement form.

In AL 1403-W, GSWC requested authorization "to be able to disclose certain customer information to prescribed entities, if requested." In Resolution W-4834, approving AL 1403-W, the Commission found that:

- "Disclosure of customer information for public interest purposes should be balanced against privacy concerns raised by disclosure."

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- "Efficiency in the provision of essential utility services is an important public policy interest."²
- "The sharing of customer-use data by Golden state Water Company can contribute to the efficient provision of utility service by government-run waste-water systems."
- "On balance, the public policy interest for sharing customer information proposed by Golden State Water Company in Advice Letter No. 1403-W, and as outlined in Tariff Rule 22, outweighs the privacy concerns that may be occasioned by the release of this information to local governments."

Whereas, in AL 1403-W, GSWC sought a broader authorization to provide customer information to "various counties, cities and wholesale water agencies," SJWC seeks to provide information only to prescribed sanitation districts specifically for the purpose of calculating sewer fees. SJWC will only provide customer service address and water consumption data, and will do so only after it has been determined that such information is necessary for calculating sewer fees.

On March 4, 2011, SJWC filed Advice Letter 424 to request authorization to create Rule 22 and Form 24, which established guideline for disclose of specific customer usage information to prescribe sanitation districts for sole purpose of calculating sewer fees. Advice Letter 424 was approved with and effective date of April 3, 2011. SJWC Rule 22 currently reads as follows:

"San Jose Water Company will only release the following information to prescribed sanitation districts:

Service Address Water Consumption Data

In this advice letter, SJWC is requesting to update the above language from Rule 22 with the following:

¹ Resolution W-4834, Findings and Conclusions #11

² Resolution W-4834, Findings and Conclusions #15

³ Resolution W-4834, Findings and Conclusions #16

⁴ Resolution W-4834, Findings and Conclusions #20

"San Jose Water Company will only release the following information to the prescribed sanitation districts and other information held by San Jose Water Company deemed reasonably necessary by such sanitation districts and San Jose Water Company for the purpose of sewer fee calculations:

Service Address
Water Consumption Data
Customer Name
Email Address
Customer Identification Number Service
Point Identification Number Service Point
Type Code
Service Point Installation Date
Meter Number
Meter Read Dates Customer
Account Number Unit of
Measure
Bill Segment Identification Information
Bill Segment Read Detail Sequence Number"

This update includes additional data point that the City of San Jose is requesting to properly calculate sewer fees. Other sanitation districts may likely request the same information going forward.

Form No. 24 will also be updated to reflect the Rule 22 update above.

Effective Date

SJWC requests that the updated tariff sheets become effective April 28, 2022.

Protests and Responses

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response does not oppose the filing but presents information that may prove 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 include the following:

- 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;
- 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 response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Water Division within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The address for mailing or delivering a protest 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, the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail to us, addressed to:

Regulatory Affairs
San Jose Water Company
110 West Taylor Street
San Jose, California 95196
Fax 408.279.7934
regulatoryaffairs@sjwater.com.

The advice letter process does not provide for any responses, protests or comments, except for the utility's reply, after the 20-day comment period.

In compliance with Paragraph 4.3 of General Order 96-B, a copy of this advice letter has been mailed to all interested and affected parties as detailed in Attachment A.

SJWC currently has AL 571 pending before the Commission. This filing will not cause the withdrawal of service nor conflict with other schedules or rules.

Very truly yours,

/s/

JOHN TANG Vice President of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY ADVICE LETTER NO. 574 ATTACHMENT A

SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY (U-168-W)

ADVICE LETTER 574 SERVICE LIST

Big Redwood Park Water

Brush & Old Well Mutual Water Company

Cal Water

City of Campbell

City of Cupertino City Attorney

City of Cupertino Director of Public Works

City of Milpitas

City of Milpitas

City of Monte Sereno City of Monte Sereno

City of Santa Clara

City of San Jose

City of Saratoga

County of Santa Clara

DB Davis

Dept. of Water Resources, Safe Drinking Water Office

Valley Water

Gillette Mutual Water Company Gillette Mutual Water Company

Gillette Mutual Water Company

Great Oaks Water Great Oaks Water

Cal Water

James Hunter

City of Cupertino

Public Advocates Office

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Rule 22

CUSTOMER INFORMATION SHARING

A. GENERAL

This rule establishes the guidelines for the release of limited customer information to prescribed sanitation districts, upon request. This information must only be used for the sole purpose of the calculation of sewer fees, whereby the calculation of these fees and/or efforts depends on data held by San Jose Water Company (SJWC). Upon request, limited customer information may be provided to the following entities only:

Burbank Sanitary District Cupertino Sanitary District City of San Jose Sunol Sanitary District West Valley Sanitation District

Customer information will only be provided to a designated contact of each prescribed sanitation district. Before information is provided, SJWC will enter into a non-disclosure agreement with the sanitation district to ensure that the customer information shared is kept private and only used for the purpose of calculating sewer fees.

Please note: A copy of SJWC's sample Non-Disclosure Agreement can be found in its tariffs as Form No. 24.

SJWC will only release the following information to the prescribed sanitation districts and other (N) Information held by SJWC deemed reasonably necessary by such sanitation districts and SJWC for the purpose of sewer fee calculations:

Service Address Water Consumption Data Customer Name

Email Address

Customer Identification Number Service Point Identification Number

Service Point Type Code

Service Point Installation Date

Meter Number

Meter Read Dates

Customer Account Number

Unit of Measure

Bill Segment Identification Information

Bill Segment Read Detail Sequence Number

If an entity requires additional information or intends to use the information for purposes other than those mentioned above, such information cannot be released without the specific consent of the SJWC customer.

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CONFIDENTIALITY AND NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT by and between SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY and

This Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement ("Agreement") is effective upon execution and
entered into between San Jose Water Company, a subsidiary of SJW Corp., primarily located at 110 V
Taylor Street in San Jose, California, 95110, ("Disclosing Party") and
, primarily located at
("Receiving Party").

This Agreement allows San Jose Water Company to release specific customer information to the Receiving Party for the sole purpose of the Receiving Party calculating sewer fees. In consideration of their respective covenants and conditions set forth herein, the parties agree to enter into a confidential relationship with respect to the disclosure of certain proprietary and/or confidential information ("Confidential Information"), as defined in Section 1 below.

1. Definition of Confidential Information

For purposes of this Agreement, "Confidential Information" shall mean any proprietary and/or confidential information which one party ("Receiving Party") receives from the other party ("Disclosing Party"), or others acting on behalf of a party, either directly or indirectly, in writing, verbally, electronically or by inspection, including without limitation, documents, business or marketing plans or strategies, financial statements, books of accounts, other financial analyses and forecasts, customer lists, and/or data, strategic plans, products, services, distribution and operations information, inventions and innovations, market research, processes, designs, drawings, analyses, compilations, surveys, studies, tests, results, trade secrets and any other proprietary information of the Disclosing Party.

By way of further example and not as a limitation hereof, Confidential Information shall include: (a) the Disclosing Party's records on customer name, service address, email address, customer identification number, service point identification number, service point type code, service point installation date, meter number, meter read dates, water consumption data, account numbers, unit of measure such as CCF as pertaining to water consumption data, bill segment identification information, and bill segment read detail sequence number; and (b) all information or material that has or could have commercial value or other utility in the business in which the Disclosing Party is engaged.

2. Use and Disclosure

The Confidential Information disclosed by the Disclosing Party shall be used solely and exclusively by the Receiving Party for the purposes contemplated per this Agreement. The Receiving Party shall keep all Confidential Information received hereunder in the strictest confidence. The Receiving Party further understands and agrees that it will not disclose the Confidential Information disclosed to it hereunder except to its employees, consultants, and agents on a need-to-know basis. In the event an employee, consultant, or agent of the Receiving Party receives Confidential Information, each employee, consultant, or agent shall be subject to the Receiving Party's internal restrictions concerning disclosure of such Confidential Information; and the internal restrictions shall include, but not be limited to, a requirement that each employee, consultant, or agent shall hold all Confidential Information in strict confidence, and provided that such employees, consultants, or agents are under a confidentiality obligation to the Receiving Party at least as protective of the Disclosing Party as set forth in this Agreement. Receiving Party shall not, without prior written approval of Disclosing Party, use for the Receiving Party's own

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benefit, publish, copy, or otherwise disclose to others, or permit the use by others for their benefit or to the detriment of Disclosing Party, any Confidential Information.

These restrictions on disclosure of Confidential Information shall not apply to:

- a. Information which, in the Receiving Party's opinion is required to be disclosed in accordance
 with applicable law or regulation, <u>provided</u> that the Receiving Party shall give the Disclosing
 Party prompt written notice and sufficient opportunity to object to such use or disclosure, or to
 request confidential treatment of the Confidential Information; or
- b. Information that was in the public domain at the time of this Agreement; or
- c. Information that has entered the public domain through the Disclosing Party or through any third party not being bound to secrecy by the Disclosing Party; or
- d. Information that the Receiving Party had in its possession prior to such disclosures by the Disclosing Party, as evidenced by written records; or
- e. Information that the Receiving Party has acquired from a third party bona fide source other than the Disclosing Party, which third party is not under an obligation with either the Receiving Party or Disclosing Party to maintain the confidentiality of such disclosed information; or
- f. Information that has been independently developed by the Receiving Party.

3 Enforcement

The parties acknowledge that they may be irreparably harmed if a Receiving Party breaches its obligation of confidentiality under this Agreement and such obligation is not specifically enforced, then the Disclosing Party may not have an adequate remedy at law in the event of an actual or threatened violation of any such material obligation hereunder. In the event that any Receiving Party breaches any material obligation under this Agreement, the Disclosing Party shall, in addition to any and all other forms of relief to which it may be entitled, be entitled to seek an injunction restraining any further disclosure or use of Confidential Information.

4. Disclaimer and Indemnification

The Receiving Party's evaluation of the Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party shall be at its own risk. The Receiving Party will indemnify and hold the harmless the Disclosing Party, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, or liabilities to which the Disclosing Party may become subject, including reasonable costs and attorney's fees, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of or are based on any negligent act or omission of the Receiving Party in connection with any disclosure of Confidential Information hereunder or as a result of a breach by the Receiving Party of any aspect of this Agreement. This indemnification obligation shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

5. Return of Documents

Upon the request of the Disclosing Party, the Receiving Party shall immediately return all records, notes, and other written, printed, or tangible materials in its possession relating to Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party; *provided*, *however*, that the Receiving Party may retain one copy of those documents which Receiving Party is statutorily obligated to retain.

6. Time Periods

The nondisclosure provisions of this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the Receiving Party's duty to hold Confidential Information in confidence shall remain in effect until the Confidential Information no longer qualifies as Confidential Information or until the Disclosing Party sends the Receiving Party written notice releasing the Receiving Party from this Agreement.

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7. Relationships

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute either party as a partner, establishing a joint venture, or employee of the other party for any purpose. In addition, this Agreement does not obligate either party to enter into any further agreements.

8. Assignment and Successors

This Agreement may not be assigned by any party hereto, whether by operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, except that Disclosing Party may assign this Agreement (i) as incident to the merger, consolidation, reorganization or acquisition of stock affecting actual voting control or of substantially all of the assets of the assigning party or (ii) to a parent, affiliate or subsidiary. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the successors, assigns, heirs, executors and administrators of the parties hereto.

9. Severability

If a court finds any provision of this Agreement invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall be interpreted so as to best affect the intent of the parties.

10. Integration

This Agreement expresses the complete understanding of the parties with respect to the subject and supersedes all prior proposals, agreements, representations and understandings. This Agreement shall not be amended except in a writing signed by both parties.

11. Waiver

Any waiver of a particular breach of this Agreement by a party shall not operate as a waiver to any other breach of this Agreement by that party.

12. Multiple Originals

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as signatories.

In Witness Whereof, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as identified and dated below.

"Disclosing Party"	"Receiving Party"	
By:	By:	
Title:	Title:	
Date:	Date:	
San Jose Water Company		
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