



San Jose  
Water  
Company

110 W. Taylor Street  
San Jose, CA 95110-2131

October 30, 2019

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

### **Advice Letter No. 540**

San Jose Water Company (U-168-W) (SJWC) hereby notifies the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) of the activation of its Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA).

In a letter to the Commission's Executive Director on October 10, 2019, SJWC notified the Commission of its CEMA activation in response to County of Santa Clara's state of emergency declaration related to Pacific Gas & Electric Company's Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) program. The initial PSPS event occurred on October 9, 2019, and was followed by a second event on October 26, 2019. Although more than 80 of SJWC's critical water distribution and production facilities were impacted by those events, we were able to deliver reliable service to our customers.

On October 27, 2019, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a statewide emergency due to the effects of unprecedented high-wind events which have resulted in fires and evacuations across the state. SJWC's Disaster Relief Communications and Customer Outreach Plan, approved by the Commission on September 9, 2019, states that:

“Within 15 days of a state or federally declared disaster San Jose Water will issue a Tier 1 advice letter implementing emergency customer protections and activating its Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA). Make insurance claims on all costs and expenses related to the disaster and credit payments to the CEMA.”

Accordingly, this filing is submitted to comply with the above. The CEMA will remain open to respond to further PSPS and other catastrophic events. Each event will be tracked separately in the CEMA.

#### Effective Date

This advice letter is designated as Tier I with an effective date of October 10, 2019.

#### 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 relitigating 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, CA 95110  
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.

SJWC has AL 532 suspended and AL 537 pending before the Commission.

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.

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

Very truly yours,

/S/ JOHN TANG  
JOHN TANG  
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

**SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY**

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**ATTACHMENT A**

**SERVICE LIST**

A copy of Advice Letter No. 540 has been sent to the following municipalities, water companies and interested parties:

City of San Jose  
Municipal Water Dept.  
Attn: Jeffrey Provenzano  
3025 Tuers Road  
San Jose, CA 95121

San Jose Mercury News  
Attn: Paul Rogers  
4 N. Second Street, Suite 800  
San Jose, CA 95113

California Water Service Co.  
Attn: Regulatory Affairs  
1720 North First Street  
San Jose, CA 95112

Town of Los Gatos  
Attn: Director of Public Works  
110 E. Main Street  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

City of Cupertino  
10300 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA 95014

City of Monte Sereno  
Attn: Jessica Kahn, City Engineer  
18041 Saratoga-Los Gatos Road  
Monte Sereno, CA 95030

City of Campbell  
70 North First Street  
Campbell, CA 95008

City of Santa Clara  
1500 Warburton Avenue  
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Great Oaks Water Company  
P.O. Box 23490  
San Jose, CA 95153

City of Milpitas  
Attn: Utilities Engineering  
455 East Calaveras Blvd.  
Milpitas, CA 95035

Santa Clara Valley Water District  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

City of Saratoga  
Attn: Director of Public Works  
13777 Fruitvale Avenue  
Saratoga, CA 95070

County of Santa Clara  
70 W. Hedding Street  
San Jose, CA 95110

Department of Water Resources  
Safe Drinking Water Office, Room 804  
1416 9<sup>TH</sup> Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Mountain Springs Mutual Water Co.  
17956 Greenwood Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Nina Hawk  
Chief Operating Officer  
Water Utility Enterprises  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

Stagecoach Mutual Water Co  
21825 Stagecoach Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Gillette Mutual Water Company  
21976 Gillette Drive  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Pat Kearns, MD  
7 W Central Ave  
Los Gatos, CA 95030

Redwood Estates Services Association  
PO Box 591  
Redwood Estates, CA 95044-0591

Saratoga City Council Member  
Rishi Kumar  
13777 Fruitvale Avenue  
Saratoga, CA 95070

Big Redwood Park Water  
& Improvement Assoc.  
18522 Mt. View Avenue  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

WRATES  
Rita Benton  
18555 Ravenwood Drive  
Saratoga, CA 95070

Villa Del Monte Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 862  
Los Gatos, CA 95031

Saratoga Heights Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 337  
Saratoga, CA 95071

Ridge Mutual Water Company  
22316 Citation Drive  
Los Gatos, CA 95033

James Hunter  
6475 Dwyer Street  
San Jose, CA 95120

Summitt West Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 974  
Los Gatos, CA 95031

Raineri Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 11  
Los Gatos, CA 95031

Oakmount Mutual Water Company  
P.O. Box 31536  
Stockton, CA 95213

Mt. Summit Mutual Water Co  
P.O. Box 3416  
Saratoga, CA 95070

Brush & Old Well Mutual  
Water Company  
21105 Brush Road  
Los Gatos, CA 95033