

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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September 23, 2013

File No. 602-19

Lukins Brothers Water Company  
2031 West Way  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Dear Ms. Jennifer Lukins,

The Commission has received and filed the utility's Advice Letter (AL) #50-A, replacing AL #50 in its entirety, dated September 12, 2012, together with the following revised Cal. P.U.C. tariff sheets that were submitted:

<b><u>Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.</u></b>	<b><u>Title of Sheet</u></b>
406-W	Schedule No. 1A, Annual Metered
407-W	Schedule No. 2A, Annual Flat Rate Service
408-W	Schedule No. 4, Private Fire Protection Service
409-W	Table of Contents

Enclosed is a copy of the advice letter and tariff sheets, with the filing and effective dates shown, for the utility's files.

Please contact Mike Miller at (415) 355-5584, if you have any questions.

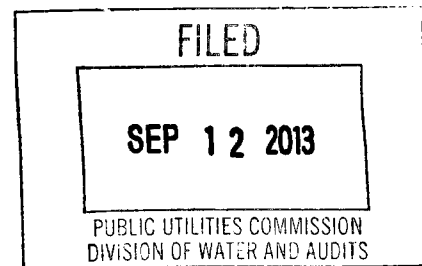
Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Song".

DANIEL SONG  
Water & Sewer Advisory Branch  
Division of Water and Audits

Enclosures

Lukins Brothers Water Company, Inc.  
2031 West Way  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150



September 11, 2013

Advice Letter No. 50-A

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Lukins Brothers Water Company, Inc. (Lukins Bros.), hereby transmits for filing the following changes in its tariff schedules and two copies of each are attached hereto:

Cal. P.U.C. <u>Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Schedule No.</u>	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. <u>Sheet No.</u>
406-W	Annual Metered Service	1A	357-W
407-W	Annual Residential Flat Rate Service	2A	359-W
408-W	Private Fire Protection Service	4	400-W
409-W	Table of Contents	None	401-W

This supplement replaces Advice Letter No. 50 in its entirety AL 50 has been withdrawn.

The present rates became effective pursuant to 49, which requested a consumer price index offset for 2012..

The last GRC was approved by Resolution No. W-4791, Oct 15, 2009 that authorized at \$126,460 or 36.03% increase. The increase was based upon a 23% rate of margin, not including income taxes and city franchise tax.

These tariffs are submitted pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 2 of Resolution No. 4953, January 11, 2013 which states:

"2. Lukins Brothers Water Company is authorized to file a Tier 2 advice letter within 30 days from the effective date of this resolution to collect the under-collected revenues from the interim rate date to the effective date of the new rates established in this Resolution, over a thirty-six month period or until the revenue shortfall is collected. This advice letter shall become effective upon approval of the Division of Water and Audits."

In the dicta, Res. No. 4953 states:

"Ordering Paragraph 6 of Res. W-4791 also allows Lukins to establish a surcharge to recover the undercollected revenues due to the understated rental allowance. DWA estimates that Lukins needs to recover approximately \$95,400, or 20% of current rates, based on 44 months from the effective date of the rates set by Resolution W-4791 and the approximate effective date of the rates set herein. It has been Commission policy that a surcharge in excess of 10% is collected over a thirty-six month period. Lukins should therefore be authorized to file a Tier 2 advice letter to recover the shortfall over a thirty-six month period, or until the revenue shortfall is collected. Lukins is required by Public Utilities Code (PU Code) Section 792.5 to maintain a balancing account to track the surcharge collection."

Lukins Brothers requests permission to increase its revenues (based on increase to each rendered water bill) by 6.55%. This projected annual revenue increase of \$8562.31 will not result in a Rate of Margin that exceeds the authorized 23% approved by Res. No. W-4791, October 15, 2009.

At the Direction of staff, this surcharge shall apply to only the service charge and commodity charge.

Requested Effective Date

In accordance with Res. W-4953 this advice letter is Tier 2 filing disposition of which is delegated to staff .

This filing is made under the provisions of General Order No. 96-B.

This filing will not cause withdrawal of service, nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

Lukins Brothers Water Company, Inc.

By:   
for Danny G. Lukins

**Schedule No. 1A**

**ANNUAL METERED SERVICE**  
(continued)

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

1. The annual service charge and surcharge apply to service during the 12 month period commencing January 1, and are due in advance. When a customer has been a customer of the utility for at least 12 months, the customer may elect, at the beginning of the calendar year, to pay prorated service charges and surcharges in advance at intervals of less than one year in accordance with the utility's established billing periods. (T)  
(T)  
(T)  

The meter will be read and quantity charges billed monthly, bimonthly or quarterly in accordance with the utility's established billing periods except that meters may be read and quantity charges billed during the winter season at intervals greater than three months. (T)
2. The opening bill for metered service, except upon conversion from flat rate service, shall be the established annual service charge for the service. Where initial service is established after the first day of any year, the portion of such annual charge applicable to the current year shall be determined by multiplying the annual charge by one three-hundred-sixty-fifth (1/365) of the number of dates remaining in the calendar year. The balance of the payment of the initial annual charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period. If the service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charge shall be due the customer.
3. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
4. A percentage surcharge of 6.55% will be applied to both the Quantity Rate and Service Charges above for a period of 36 months from the effective date of Advice Letter 50-A until an overall revenue shortfall of \$95,400. is recovered. (N)  
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(N)

(To be inserted by utility)

Advice Letter No. 50-A

Decision No. Res. W-4953

Issued by

Danny G. Lukins

President

(To be inserted by Cal. P.U.C.)

Date Filed SEP 12 2013

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Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Schedule No. 2A**

**ANNUAL FLAT RATE SERVICE**  
(Continued)

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS** (Continued)

- 3. The annual flat rate charge applies to service during the 12-month period commencing January 1 and is due in advance. If a permanent resident of the area has been a customer of the utility for at least 12 months, the customer may elect, at the beginning of the calendar year, to pay prorated flat rate charges and surcharges in advance at intervals of less than one year (monthly, bimonthly or quarterly) in accordance with the utility's established billing periods. A nonpermanent resident may elect to pay the annual charge in two equal installments. Where such a resident has failed to pay the first half of the annual charge due January 1, service will not be restored until the total annual charge has been paid. (T)  
(T)
- 4. The opening bill for flat rate service shall be the established annual flat rate charge for the service. Where initial service is established after the first day of any year, the portion of such annual charge applicable to the current year shall be determined by multiplying the annual charge by one three-hundred-sixty-fifth (1/365) of the number of dates remaining in the calendar year. The balance of the payment of the initial annual charge shall be credited against the charges for the succeeding annual period. If the service is not continued for at least one year after the date of initial service, no refund of the initial annual charge shall be due the customer.
- 5. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
- 6. A percentage surcharge of 6.55% will be applied to all flat rates above for a period of 36 months from the effective date of Advice Letter 50 until an overall revenue shortfall of \$95,400. is recovered. (N)  
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(N)

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**Schedule No. 4**

**PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE**

**APPLICABILITY**

Applicable to water service furnished for private fire protection systems and to

**TERRITORY**

This schedule is applicable within the entire territory served by the utility.

**RATES**

Per Year

For each inch of diameter of service connection \$99.27

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

1. The fire protection service connection will be installed by the utility and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.
2. The maximum diameter for fire protection services shall not be more than the diameter of the main to which to service is connected.
3. If a distribution main of adequate size to serve a private fire protection system in addition to all other normal service does not exist in the street or alley adjacent to the premises to be served, then a service main from the nearest existing main of adequate capacity shall be installed by the utility and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund.
4. Service hereunder is for private fire protection systems to which no connections for other than fire protection purposes are allowed. The fire protection service connection shall be installed by the utility, according to specifications of the San Bernardino County Fire Department and the cost paid by the applicant. Such payment shall not be subject to refund. The utility may install a meter or the standard detector type meter approved by the Board of Fire Underwriters for protection against theft, leakage or waste of water. The cost of the facilities will be paid by the applicant and not subject to refund.
5. The utility undertakes to supply only such water at such pressure as may be available at any time through the normal operation of the system.
6. A percentage surcharge of 6.55% will be applied to fire protection service rates for a period of 36 months from the effective date of Advice Letter 50 until an overall revenue shortfall of \$95,400. is recovered. (N)  
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(N)

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LUKINS BROTHERS WATER COMPANY, INC.  
2031 WEST WAY  
SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA 96150

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via first class United States Mail and via email of the following document, Lukins Brothers Water Company, Inc. Advice Letter 50-A, upon all parties as shown on the service list attached, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party.

Executed in South Lake Tahoe, California, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

  
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Jennifer Lukins, Corporate Secretary/Treasurer



LUKINS BROTHERS WATER COMPANY, INC.

ADVICE LETTER NO. 50-A

SERVICE LIST

(Per Section 4.3 of GENERAL ORDER NO. 96-B)

Via First Class US Mail

Service List:

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Administrative Center  
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So. Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

El Dorado County  
Development Services Dept.  
3368 Lake Tahoe Blvd., Suite 302  
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1275 Meadow Crest Dr.  
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