

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298



April 25, 2014

File No. 602-19

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

Dear Ms. Jennifer Lukins,

The Commission has approved Lukins Brothers Water Company's Advice Letter No. 53, filed on April 3, 2014, regarding the Plumas Bank loan repayment surcharge and balancing account.

Enclosed is a copy of the following revised tariff sheets for the utility's files:

<u>P.U.C. Sheet No.</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>
410-W	Preliminary Statement
411-W	Schedule No. 3; Loan Surcharge
412-W	Table of Contents

Please contact Ramon Go at (415) 703-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

/s/DANIEL SONG

Daniel Song
Water & Sewer Advisory Branch
Division of Water and Audits

Enclosures

**PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
(Continued)**

LUKINS SERVICE AREA OF EL DORADO COUNTY

Plumas Bank Loan Repayment Balancing Account

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Plumas Bank Loan Repayment Balancing Account is to track recovery of the balance on the loan provided for capital improvements identified as Phase 1 and part of Phase 2, as authorized by Resolution W-4886, dated October 20, 2011 and Resolution W-4970, dated January 16, 2014.
2. **APPLICABILITY:** Applicable to the Lukins Brothers Water Company Service Area In El Dorado County.
3. **ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE;** Lukins Brothers Water Company shall use a balancing account to track revenues collected through the loan surcharge, and payments, including interest, on the Plumas Bank loan. The surcharge rates to repay the loan shall last until the loan is fully paid. The cost of the capital improvements financed through the surcharge shall be excluded from rate base for ratemaking purposes. Changes in future surcharge rates, or refund's, shall be accomplished by advice letter subject to review and approval.

(To be inserted by utility)

Advice Letter No. 53

Decision No. _____

Issued by

Jennifer Lukins

NAME

Secretary/Treasurer

TITLE

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

Date Filed April 3, 2014

Effective April 30, 2014

Resolution No. W-4886, W-4970

**Schedule 3
Loan Surcharge**

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all metered water service and flat-rate residential service. This surcharge is specifically for the repayment of the loan described in Resolution W-4886 and Resolution W-4970.

TERRITORY

Lukins Tract and vicinity near State Highway 89 and U.S. Highway 50 in the City of South Lake Tahoe, California.

Metered Water Service:

Monthly Surcharge	Years 1-10	Years 11-19
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$ 8.68	\$ 8.05
For 3/4-inch meter	13.29	12.08
For 1-inch meter	22.15	20.13
For 1 1/2-inch meter	44.29	40.27
For 2-inch meter	70.87	64.43
For 3-inch meter	132.88	120.80
For 4-inch meter	221.47	201.33
For 6-inch meter	442.93	402.66
For 8-inch meter	708.69	644.26

Flat Rate Water Service:

Monthly Surcharge		
Flat-Rate 3/4" Service	\$ 13.29	\$ 12.08
Flat-Rate 1" Service	22.15	20.13
Flat-Rate 1 1/2" Service	44.29	40.27
Flat-Rate 2" Service	70.87	64.43
Flat-Rate 3" Service	132.88	120.80
Flat-Rate 4" Service	221.47	201.33
Flat-Rate 6" Service	442.93	402.66
Flat-Rate 8" Service	708.69	644.26

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The surcharge is in addition to the water bill. The surcharge must be identified on each bill. The surcharge is specifically for the repayment of the loan authorized by Res. W-4886 and Res. W-4970.
2. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth in Schedule No. UF.
3. The surcharge shall be deposited in a trustee account and shall be used only for the repayment of the loan described in Res. W-4886 and Res. W-4970.
4. A service fee will be charged for new service to vacant and undeveloped lots. The amount of the service fee, subject to a maximum of \$2,000, shall be the accumulated total of the monthly surcharge from its inception to the time of service connection. Only the monthly surcharge applies thereafter. The service fee was authorized by Res. W-4886 and Res. W-4970.
5. The surcharge rates to repay the loan shall last until the loan is fully paid.
6. The surcharge rates are subject to periodic adjustment.

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The following listed tariff sheets contain all effective rates and rules affecting the charges and service of the utility, together with other pertinent information:

<u>Subject Matter of Sheet</u>	Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	
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Preliminary Statement	91-W, 62-W 370-W, 371-W 410-W 92-W	(N)
Service Area Map		
Rate Schedules:		
Schedule No. 1A, Annual Metered Service	406-W, 357-W	
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Schedule No. 3, Loan Surcharge	411-W	(N)
Schedule No. 4, Private Fire Protection Service	408-W	
Schedule No. LC, Late Payment Charge	269-W	
Schedule No. UF, Surcharge to Fund PUC Reimbursement Fee	351-W	
Rules:		
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No. 3 Application for Service	361-W	
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No. 5 Special Information Required on Forms	362-W - 364-W	
No. 6 Establishment & Re-establishment of Credit	120-W	
No. 7 Deposits	326-W, 327-W	
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No. 9 Rendering and Payment of Bills	270-W, 271-W	
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No. 18 Meter Tests and Adjustment of Bills for Meter Error	136-W - 138-W	
No. 19 Service to Separate Premises and Multiple Units, and Resale of Water	218-W, 219-W	
No. 20 Water Conservation	317-W	
No. 21 Fire Protection	318-W	

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CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS Advice Letter Cover Sheet	(Date Filed / Received Stamp by CPUC)
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Advice Letter # 53	Date Mailed to Service List: April 3, 2014	Requested Effective Date: 4/30/14	Requested Tier: Tier 1 XTier2 Tier 3
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Replacing AL#:	Authorization for Filing: Res- W-4886;W-4970	Compliance Filing? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	Rate	\$	
			Impact	%	

<u>The public has 20 days from Date Mailed (above) to protest this advice letter. If you chose to protest or respond to the advice letter, send Protest and/or Correspondence within 20 days to:</u>	Director Division of Water and Audits 505 Van Ness Ave. San Francisco, CA 94102
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<u>and if you have email capability, also email to:</u>	<u>water_division@cpuc.ca.gov</u>
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<u>Your protest also must be served on the Utility</u>	(see attached advice letter for more information and grounds for protest)
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Company Name: Lukins Brothers Water Company, Inc.	CPUC Utility Number:
Address: 2031 West Way	WTA _____
City, State, Zip: South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150	WTB _____
	WTC <u>142</u>
	WTD _____
	SWR _____

	Contact Name:	Phone No.	Email Address:
Filer	Jennifer Lukins	(530) 541-2606	jennifer@lukinswater.com
Alternate			

Description: In this space or on the back of this form:

1. Explain justification for requested tier- Tier 2 per GO 96-B
2. Describe service affected and how it is affected- No service affected.
3. Describe differences from related Advice Letters (Similar service, replacement filing)

(FOR CPUC USE ONLY)			
WTS Budget/Activity/Type	Process as: <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3		
/ /	20th Day		30th day
Project Manager:	Suspended on:		
Analyst:	Extended on:		
Due Date:	Resolution No.:		
Completion Date:	AL/Tariff Effective Date:		

LUKINS BROTHERS WATER COMPANY, INC.

2031 WEST WAY

SO.LAKE TAHOE, CA 96150

April 3, 2014

ADVICE LETTER No. 53

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

LUKINS BROTHERS WATER COMPANY hereby transmits the following changes in its tariff schedule, which are attached hereto:

<u>CPUC SHEET NO.</u>	<u>TITLE OF SHEET</u>	<u>CANCELING CPUC SHEET NO.</u>
410-W	Preliminary Statement	New
411-W	Schedule No. 3, Loan Surcharge	New
412-W	Table of Contents	409-W

Due to the required monthly payment on the loan amount received from the Plumas Bank, Lukins requests in this filing to implement the monthly surcharge and service fee authorized in Resolution (Res.) 4886, dated October 20, 2011, and Conclusion of Law No. 9 and Ordering Paragraph No. 1 of Res. W-4970, dated January 16, 2014.

The first monthly amortization payment to Plumas Bank for the \$2,110,000 loan is due in September 25, 2014. Since Lukins' 3rd quarter billing is mailed out on April 30 due on July 1, Lukins requests that the implementation of the surcharge be effective June 30, 2014. Lukins will include the first monthly surcharge billing in its 3rd quarter billing. The 4th quarter billing is mailed out on July 30 and due October 1. Lukins needs to include one month surcharge in its 3rd quarter billing in order to have enough funds to make its first amortization payment on September 25, 2014. Thereafter, the surcharge rates will be included in its regular quarterly billing.

1. Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 2.a of Resolution (Res.) W-4886 and Ordering Paragraph No. 2 of Res. W-4970, Lukins submits the Loan Amortization Schedule.

Lukins also requests to establish a service fee for new service to vacant and undeveloped lots, and to establish a balancing account pursuant to Res. W-4886 and Res. W-4970. Lukins shall use the balancing account to track revenues collected through the loan surcharge, and payments, including interest, on the Plumas Bank loan.

This advice letter filing also includes corresponding language in the Preliminary Statement tariffs detailing the accounting treatment of the Plumas Bank Loan Repayment Balancing Account tracking revenues collected through the surcharge and interest on deposits, and charges payments of principal and interest on the loan.

On April 3, 2014, a copy of this advice letter was sent to the attached service list.

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

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 are:

- (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; 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 relitigating a prior order of the Commission).

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest. 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, Division of Water and audits, 3rd Floor
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
E-Mail: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov

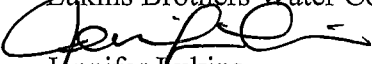
On the same day the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail or e-mail to us, addressed to:

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

Fax No. (530) 541-1746
E-Mail: jennifer@lukinswater.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.

Lukins Brothers Water Company

Jennifer Lukins
Secretary/Treasurer

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. Notice of Withdraw of Advice Letter 52 and copy of Advice Letter 53, 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 3rd day of April, 2014.



Jennifer Lukins, Corporate Secretary/Treasurer