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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY (U60W), a California corporation, for an order (1) authorizing it to increase rates for water service by \$94,838,100 or 16.5% in test year 2017, (2) authorizing it to increase rates by \$22,959,600 or 3.4% on January 1, 2018, and \$22,588,200 or 3.3% on January 1, 2019, in accordance with the Rate Case Plan, and (3) adopting other related rulings and relief necessary to implement the Commission's ratemaking policies.

Application 15-07-015
(Filed July 9, 2015)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING APPLICANT'S MOTION TO LATE-FILE REPLY BRIEFS AND MOTION FOR INTERIM RATES

On July 9, 2015, California Water Service Company (Cal Water) filed this application for a general rate increase. On January 7, 2016, the assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued a scoping memo and ruling setting the schedule for this proceeding. Over the course of the proceeding, numerous changes were made to the schedule. On August 17, 2016, a telephonic status conference was held, during which both September 16, 2016 and September 23, 2016 were discussed as possible dates for Cal Water to file its reply brief and motion for interim rates. The record is not entirely clear which deadlines were set.

On September 23, 2016, pursuant to Rule 11 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Cal Water filed a motion to permit the late-filing of its Reply Brief and Motion for Interim Rates, as well as the Reply Brief of any other party. As no party has filed an objection to the motion, and as the Commission

will benefit from having a robust record in this proceeding, good cause is found to grant Cal Water's motion to permit the late-filing of all reply briefs and Cal Water's motion for interim rates.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The motion of California Water Service Company to late-file its reply brief and motion for interim rates is granted.
2. Reply briefs of other parties filed with the Commission on or before September 23, 2016 shall be included in the record.

Dated September 29, 2016, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ DAN H. BURCHAM

Dan H. Burcham
Administrative Law Judge