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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA25

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 \$140,558,101 or 17.1% in test year 2026, (2) authorizing it to increase rates on January 1, 2027 by \$74,162,564 or 7.7%, (3) authorizing it to increase rates on January 1, 2028 by \$83,574,190 or 8.1% in accordance with the Rate Case Plan, and (4) adopting other related rulings and relief necessary to implement the Commissions ratemaking policies.

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Application 24-07-003

## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SETTING LAW & MOTION HEARING FOR AUGUST 5, 2025

### Summary

As indicated during the virtual Status Conference held on June 17, 2025, and in the subsequent *Ruling After Hearing* issued on June 19, 2025, the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has scheduled a virtual Law & Motion hearing for **Tuesday, August 5, 2025**, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

In this ruling, the Commission provides the Webex meeting information and additional instructions for the upcoming hearing.

### 1. Joint Speakers List

The Commission directs the parties to send a procedural email to the Service List no later than 1:30 p.m. on Friday, **August 1, 2025**, containing a joint speakers list:

## Speakers List.

Each party shall identify the representative(s) who will appear at the hearing and provide the following information for each representative: name, title, email, and phone number.

If multiple representatives are appearing for the same party, indicate who is designated as the primary representative/speaker for the hearing.

If anyone else is expected to speak during the hearing, each party shall provide the following information for each additional speaker: name, title, email, and phone number.

# 2. Public Webinar Information for Hearing on August 5, 2025

Members of the public and all other persons not participating in the

hearing may observe this public hearing by using the following information:

## Join link:

https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=me3fd6e8fd5d66 51cb70c7857bf62bfdd

**Webinar password:** 2025 (2025 when dialing from a phone or video system)

Webinar number: 2492 709 4759

**Join by phone:** 1-855-282-6330 U.S. Toll Free, or +1-415-655-0002 U.S. Toll

Access code: 249 270 94759

## 3. Panelist Invitations for Representatives/Speakers Listed on Speakers List

The representatives and speakers identified in the above-referenced

speakers list will receive individualized panelist invitations via email. The panelist invitations will allow participants to log on for the hearing with the ability to unmute their microphones and enable their cameras.

Due to a Webex security feature, participants who receive emailed panelist invitations may experience difficulty accessing the proceeding using the public webinar information link above. Accordingly, participants (representatives and

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speakers) listed on the speakers list are instructed to log on for the hearing using the individualized panelist invitations received via email.

Prior to the hearing, participants should ensure that they have the necessary audio and visual equipment, sufficient battery or electrical power, and sufficient connectivity. These participants (representatives and speakers) are instructed to log in at **1:15 p.m.** for purposes of audio-and-video testing to ensure the hearing starts on time and to address housekeeping matters prior to going on the record.

#### 4. Multiple Hearings Scheduled

Parties should note that hearings from two separate proceedings are being scheduled for the afternoon of August 5, 2025, using the same public webinar information. It is crucial that participants (representatives and speakers) log in at **1:15 p.m.** by using the individualized panelist invitations, which they will receive via email prior to the hearing. The A.24-07-003 proceeding will be heard first.

#### 5. Ground Rules

The Hearing Reporter(s) will rely on the audio from Webex or the telephone to transcribe the hearing. To ensure a complete and accurate record, parties are directed to adhere to the following ground rules:

- a. Mute your microphone or phone when not speaking;
- b. Speak only when addressed by the ALJ;
- c. Speak slowly and clearly;
- d. Do not use a speaker phone when speaking; and
- e. Do not interrupt or speak over one another.

This is a virtual or telephonic hearing reliant on technology to relay statements in verbatim format by those in attendance to the hearing reporter. The Hearing Reporter(s) may interrupt the speakers if the speakers make inaudible statements. The Hearing Reporter(s) may insert the word "inaudible"

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in the transcript when there is dropped, garbled, or otherwise indecipherable audio.

Parties requiring changes or additions to the official service list shall complete the required "Addition/Change of Official Service List" form and send to both <u>process\_office@cpuc.ca.gov</u> and <u>reporting@cpuc.ca.gov</u> prior to the hearing. Parties who desire expedited or daily transcripts should advise the Chief Hearing Reporter via email at <u>reporting@cpuc.ca.gov</u>, no later than three days prior to the date of the hearing.

#### IT IS RULED that:

1. The parties in Application 24-07-003 shall send a procedural email to the Service List no later than 1:30 p.m. on Friday, August 1, 2025, containing a joint speakers list, as instructed above in Section 1 of this ruling.

2. A virtual Law & Motion hearing in Application (A.) 24-07-003 is scheduled for Tuesday, August 5, 2025, beginning at 1:30 p.m. In addition, a hearing in another proceeding will also be heard on this same date and time. The A.24-07-003 proceeding will be heard first. These hearings are open to the public and may be viewed using the public Webex information located above in Section 2 of this ruling.

3. The participants (representatives and speakers) listed on the speakers list for the August 5, 2025 hearing shall log on for the hearing at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, using the panelist invitations that they receive via email, as instructed above in Section 3 of this ruling.

4. Parties shall follow all Ground Rules outlined in the ruling above. Dated July 14, 2025, at Sacramento, California.

/s/ ALBERTO T. ROSAS

Alberto T. Rosas Administrative Law Judge