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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Suburban Water Systems (U339W) for Authority to Increase Rates Charged for Water Service by \$19,971,673 or 19.41% in 2027, by \$10,876,890 or 8.91% in 2028, and by \$10,831,656 or 8.15% in 2029.

Application 26-01-001

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING NOTICING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARING

This ruling sets the remote public participation hearings (PPHs) in Suburban Water Systems (Suburban) General Rate Case Application (GRC Application), Application (A.) 26-01-001 and directs Suburban to provide customer notice of the PPHs. The PPHs are an opportunity for Suburban's customers to communicate directly with the Commission regarding the revenue and rate base changes that Suburban proposes in its GRC Application.

The time, location, and access information for these PPHs are provided below. Written public comments may also be provided at any time during the proceeding using the "Add Public Comment" button on the "Public Comment" tab of the Docket Card for A.26-01-001.

Date	Time	Details
April 13, 2026 (virtual)	6:00 pm	Phone number: 800-857-1917 Passcode: 1673482# Dial *1 if you wish to comment Webcast: www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc/
April 14, 2026 (in-person)	6:00 pm	Walnut City Hall Council Chambers 21201 La Puente Road Walnut, CA 91789
April 15, 2026 (in-person)	2:00 pm	Buena Park City Council Chambers 6650 Beach Blvd Buena Park, CA 90621

Participants may observe the virtual PPH via the webcast information provided above. To provide public comment, participants should use the toll-free telephone number and participant code noted above. When it is time for public comment, the Administrative Law Judge will make an announcement through the telephone line for those who wish to speak.

If you require a language interpreter, please contact the Commission’s Public Advisor’s Office at least five business days before the date of the hearing using one of the following methods:

- Phone: 1-866-849-8390 (toll free) or (415) 703-2074
- Email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

1. DIRECT MAILING NOTICE

Suburban shall prepare a direct mail notice (via bill insert if available) informing its customers of these PPHs and provide a draft of the notice to the Commission’s Public Advisor’s Office. The draft notice shall inform Suburban’s customers about the upcoming PPHs, including the purpose of the PPHs, a summary of the relief that Suburban is requesting in the instant application, as well as the date, time, and how to participate in both the remote and the in-

person PPHs. The Public Advisor's Office may alter or require changes to the direct mail notice.

After the Public Advisor's Office approves the language in the direct mail notice, Suburban shall mail the notice to all its customers. To the extent that any customers are billed electronically via the Internet, notice to those customers may be given electronically. Where customer email addresses are available, Suburban shall also provide the notice through direct email communication.

2. PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Rule 13.1(c) of the California Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Suburban shall also cause the approved notice to be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation in Suburban's general service area no less than five days before the first PPHs. At a minimum, the approved notice shall be posted in one or more newspapers of general circulation in its San Jose Hills service area and in its Whittier La Mirada service area. Suburban shall also prominently post a notice of the PPHs on its website and in all of their offices where customers come into contact with a Suburban customer service representative.

Suburban shall provide the Public Advisor's Office, not later than five days prior to the first PPH, a letter verifying that it has complied with the customer notice requirements in this ruling. The compliance letter shall state the date(s) notices were sent to customers, the method used, and the approximate number of customers notified. One copy of the actual notice shall be attached. The compliance letter shall also provide the dates and locations of publication and posting.

3. OTHER DIRECTIVES

Suburban shall include the name, title, and telephone number of at least one senior customer service representative who can be reached by customers during the virtual hearing for individual service or billing issues and one representative prepared to respond to specific questions about the material in its application. Suburban shall provide this information to the Public Advisor's Office no later than seven days before its first public participation hearing. This information may be posted for the public during the hearing.

Suburban shall have at least one senior customer service representative present at each of the two in-person hearings. The representative(s) shall be available for individual service or billing issues. There should also be one representative present prepared to respond to specific questions about the material in its application.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The schedule for the public participation hearings is set forth above.
2. Suburban shall provide customer notice via direct mailing or the Internet no less than five days before the date of the first scheduled public participation hearing. Where customer email addresses are available, Suburban shall also provide the notice through direct e-mail communication.
3. In each service area where a public participation hearing (PPH) will be held, Suburban Water Systems shall publish a notice of the PPHs in one or more local newspapers of general circulation for seven consecutive days prior to, and including, the date of the PPH.
4. Suburban Water Systems shall prominently post a notice of the public participation hearings on their website and in all their offices where customers come into contact with a customer service representative.

5. Suburban Water Systems shall provide the Public Advisor's Office, no later than five days prior to the public participation hearing, a letter verifying that it has complied with the customer notice requirement.

6. Suburban Water Systems shall have at least one customer service representative available at each of the respective public participation hearings to answer any billing or service questions that individual customers may have.

Dated February 27, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ AMIN NOJAN
Amin Nojan
Administrative Law Judge