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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

**EMAIL RULING PROVIDING GUIDANCE ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND BRIEFS**

Dated June 10, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ AMIN NOJAN

Amin Nojan  
Administrative Law Judge

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**Subject:** [A.26-01-001] - Email Ruling Providing Guidance on Settlement Agreement and Briefs

To the Parties of A.26-01-001:

The Assigned Commissioner's Scoping Ruling sets a deadline of June 15, 2026, for filing a Motion for Settlement Agreement.

The Scoping Ruling also sets a date of July 1, 2026, for Opening Briefs and July 15, 2026, for Reply Briefs.

This ruling provides guidance on the format of any proposed settlement agreement. It also provides guidance to parties on the format and organization of opening and reply briefs.

### **Settlement Agreement**

The Settlement Agreement is to follow the format of issues as presented in the Scoping Ruling, specifying what number and/or subletter the issue being discussed corresponds to. Discussion of each issue must include at minimum the following:

- Identification of the issue, including what scoping ruling item it pertains to
- Party 1's litigated position

- Party 2's litigated position
- Party 3's litigated position (if applicable, and so on)
- Settlement Position
- A table listing the issue or account, the respective parties' positions, the difference, and the settled amount
- References to each party's exhibits that correspond to the issue, including page number

At the end of the Settlement Agreement, there must be a discussion of how the Settlement Agreement satisfies the criteria listed in Rule 12.1(d). The directions provided herein are not exhaustive, and the Settlement Agreement must comply with all applicable statutes and Commission rules.

### **Opening and Reply Briefs**

Parties are to organize briefs in conformity with how they are presented in the Scoping Ruling. Parties are to make clear which issue listed in the Scoping Ruling each section is addressing.

**IT IS SO RULED**

**THE DOCKET OFFICE SHALL FORMALLY FILE THIS RULING**

Amin Nojan  
Administrative Law Judge  
California Public Utilities Commission

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