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**MEDIA ADVISORY** 

Docket #: A.18-09-013

## CPUC TO HOLD PUBLIC FORUM ON CAL-AM'S REQUEST TO PURCHASE BELLFLOWER MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15, 2019 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold a public forum to provide an opportunity for residents and organizations to provide their perspective and input to the CPUC about California-American Water Company's (Cal-Am) request for CPUC approval to purchase and operate the Bellflower Municipal Water System.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 29, 2019, 7 p.m.

WHERE: Simms Park Auditorium, 16614 Clark Avenue, Bellflower, CA 90706

The CPUC welcomes attendance at the public forum (called a Public Participation Hearing), as public comments help the CPUC reach an informed decision.

On September 14, 2018, Cal-Am and the City of Bellflower submitted an application to the CPUC requesting approval for Cal-Am to purchase the Bellflower Municipal Water System. Cal-Am is seeking to purchase Bellflower's assets and serve Bellflower Municipal's customers.

Cal-Am provides water and/or wastewater services in parts of Los Angeles, Merced, Monterey, Placer, Sacramento, San Diego, Sonoma, Ventura, and Yolo counties. It serves approximately 630,000 customers. Bellflower Municipal provides service to approximately 1,826 customers, or approximately 10 percent of the City of Bellflower, in southeast Los Angeles County.

A CPUC Administrative Law Judge will preside at the public forum to listen to customer concerns, comments, and opinions on the proposed application. After considering all proposals and all

evidence that may be presented during the formal hearing process, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposal for the CPUC's Commissioners' consideration.

While CPUC Commissioners and/or staff may attend the public forum, no official action will be taken on Cal-Am's request at the public forum.

For those unable to attend in person, written comments may be submitted to: CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102, or via email to <a href="mailto:public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov">public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov</a>. Please refer to proceeding number A. 18-09-013 on any written or email correspondence about this proceeding. All public comments received are provided to the CPUC's Commissioners and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the case and taken into consideration.

The Ruling setting this public forum is available at: http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M288/K330/288330426.PDF.

Documents related to the proceeding are available at: https://apps.cpuc.ca.gov/apex/f?p=401:56:0::NO:RP,57,RIR:P5 PROCEEDING SELECT:A1809013.

If specialized accommodations are needed to attend, such as non-English language interpreters, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at <a href="mailto:public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov">public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov</a> or toll free at 866-849-8390 at least three business days in advance of the forum.

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