

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

Resolution No. 23-0098

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) sells water to retail customers, who are located primarily inside the City and County of San Francisco (San Francisco), and 27 wholesale customers in Alameda County, San Mateo County, and Santa Clara County (Wholesale Customers). The Wholesale Customers establish local utility rates for the retail water customers that they serve in their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC establishes water rates applicable to the Wholesale Customers (Wholesale Water Rates) in accordance with the Water Supply Agreement (WSA) between San Francisco and the Wholesale Customers, which was approved on April 28, 2009, by Commission Resolution No. 09-0069, and amended and restated on January 26, 2021, by Commission Resolution No. 21-0009, with subsequent approval by the Wholesale Customers; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC proposes to adjust the Wholesale Water Rates for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 to include a new volumetric water rate of \$5.21 per Ccf, which is a 9.7% increase from the current rate of \$4.75 per Ccf, and a new Untreated Wholesale Water Rate Discount Factor of \$0.38 per Ccf, which is a decrease of \$0.05 from the current rate and applies only to Coastside County Water District, the only Wholesale Customer which receives non-potable water from the SFPUC; and

WHEREAS, As required by WSA section 6.03, the SFPUC issued written notice of the proposed adjustments to the Wholesale Water Rates for FY 2023-2024 to all of the Wholesale Customers and the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) on April 6, 2023, and the Commission held a public hearing on May 9, 2023 to consider the proposed adjustments; and

WHEREAS, A copy of the WSA, and a copy of the SFPUC's April 6, 2023 notice to the Wholesale Customers and BAWSCA, which included among its attachments Schedule W-25: *Wholesale Use With Long-Term Contract*, showing the proposed Wholesale Water Rates effective July 1, 2023, are on file with the Secretary of the Commission and incorporated in this resolution by reference; and

WHEREAS, The Commission approved the WSA after reviewing the Final Program Environmental Impact Report for the Water System Improvement Program, and adopted and incorporated by reference the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) findings contained in Commission Resolution No. 08-0200 dated October 30, 2008, and made additional findings pursuant to CEQA; and

WHEREAS, On April 17, 2023 the San Francisco Planning Department determined the Project to be statutorily exempt from environmental review under CEQA section 21080(b)(8) and CEQA Guidelines section 15273 (Rates, Tolls, Fares and Charges) (Case Number 2023-003208ENV), related to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, or other charges; and

WHEREAS, The Commission is securing revenue for purposes of meeting estimated FY 2023-2024 "Regional" operating and capital costs consistent with Article 5 of the WSA; and

WHEREAS, This Commission finds that adoption of this resolution will establish an increase to wholesale water rates and charges for the following purposes: (1) meeting operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits; (2) purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment or materials; (3) meeting financial reserve needs and requirements; (4) obtaining funds for capital projects, necessary to maintain service within existing service areas; and (5) obtaining funds necessary to maintain such intra-city transfers as are authorized by city charter; ow, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, This Commission determines that an increase in the volumetric water rates applicable to the Wholesale Customers is required for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and hereby adopts the proposed 9.7% increase, as enumerated in the revised Schedule W-25: *Wholesale Use With Long-Term Contract*, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, which shall be uniform to the nearest dollar on service charges, and establishes a \$5.21 per 100 cubic feet commodity charge, for all water delivered to the Wholesale Customers, on or after July 1, 2023, and this rate shall remain in place until replaced or amended; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, This Commission hereby adopts the Untreated Wholesale Water Rate Discount Factor, as enumerated in the revised Schedule W-25: *Wholesale Use With Long-Term Contract*, and establishes a \$0.38 per 100 cubic feet rate discount factor, for all untreated water delivered to Coastside County Water District, on or after July 1, 2023, and this rate shall remain in place until replaced or amended.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of May 9, 2023.


Secretary, Public Utilities Commission

SCHEDULE W-25: Wholesale Use with Long-Term Contract

For service to municipalities, water districts and others who, under long-term contracts, purchase water for resale:

First: A Monthly Service Charge base on the type and size of the meter:

Meter Size	Disc/Compound Meters	Crest Meters	Electronic Meters	Turbine Meters
5/8 in.	\$11	-	-	-
3/4 in.	\$18	-	-	-
1 in.	\$30	-	-	-
1 1/2 in.	\$43	-	-	-
2 in.	\$79	-	-	-
3 in.	\$158	-	-	-
4 in.	\$318	\$353	-	\$577
6 in.	\$476	\$685	-	\$1,256
8 in.	\$635	\$1,335	\$2,265	\$1,875
10 in.	\$793	\$1,732	\$3,769	\$3,391
12 in.	\$953	\$1,840	\$5,159	-
16 in.	\$1,270	\$5,628	-	\$7,215
18 in.	-	\$6,133	-	-
20 in.	-	\$6,349	-	-

The service charge for a battery of meters installed on one service in lieu of one meter or for a special type of meter, shall be based on the size of single or multiple standard type meters of equivalent capacity.

Second: A charge for water delivered based on one-month's meter readings:

\$2,269.48 per acre-foot **or** **\$5.21 per 100 cu. ft.**

Third: An Untreated Wholesale Water Rate Discount Factor for Wholesale Customers receiving untreated water, based on one-month's meter readings:

(\$165.53) per acre-foot **or** **(\$0.38) per 100 cu. ft.**