



**Suburban  
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**VIA EMAIL**

August 24, 2023

James Boothe  
Water Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Mr. Boothe:

Pursuant to Division of Water and Audit's letters dated April 15, 2014, and June 16, 2014, Suburban Water Systems ("Suburban") hereby submits its Semi-Annual Report on Balances in Utility Balancing Accounts and Reserve Accounts, in addition to the response to the data request as detailed in Attachment A.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kiki Carlson

Kiki Carlson  
Regulatory Affairs Manager

cc: Matt Baker, Director of Public Advocates Office  
Terence Shia, Director of Water Division  
Chris Ungson, Public Advocates Office's Deputy Director for Communications and Water  
Bruce DeBerry, Program Manager – Water Division

**Attachment A**  
**Suburban Water Systems**  
**Balancing Account and Reserve Account Balances**  
**As of June 30, 2023**

Below are the balances in Suburban’s Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water Balancing Accounts excluding interest:

**TABLE 1**

No.	Commission – authorized	Outstanding Over/(Under) Collection Balance as of June 30, 2023	
		San Jose Hills (SJH) Service Area	Whittier/La Mirada (WLM) Service Area
1.	D.19-05-029, related to WRAM	\$183,724	\$69,884
2.	AL 364-W	(\$4,083,997); Recycled water (\$93,145)	(\$3,980,301)
3.	AL 375-W	(\$698,606); Recycled water (\$14,989)	(\$347,487)

The estimated balances in Suburban’s Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water Reserve Accounts excluding interest are as follows:

**TABLE 2**

No.	Description	Reserve Account Balances as of June 30, 2023	
		SJH Service Area	WLM Service Area
1.	Estimated accrual (Jul. '22 – Jun. '23)	(\$2,209,201); Recycled water (\$41,727)	(\$1,861,536)
2.	Estimated WRAM (Jan.'21 – Jun. '23)	(\$749,316)	(\$380,923)

The total company reserve account balance as of June 30, 2023, pursuant to D.19-05-029 is as follows:

- Employee Healthcare \$351,413

The total company reserve account balance as of June 30, 2023, pursuant to D.21-10-024 is as follows:

- Conservation Expense One-Way for period 2021 – 2023 \$109,205

The following are the authorized revenue requirements based on D.21-10-024 for the respective ratemaking area(s) for Test Year 2022:

**TABLE 3**

SJH Service Area	WLM Service Area
\$57,033,342	\$40,157,804
Recycled water \$1,082,194	

Below is the additional information pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 792.5(e) 1-4 (The Commission shall adopt balancing account review procedures that prioritize the review of the following balancing accounts):

- (1) Balancing accounts with a quarter-end balance with more than a 10-percent differential from the balancing account's authorized revenue amount.

Response:

None

- (2) Balancing accounts with an authorized revenue amount that is in the top 25<sup>th</sup> percentile of all balancing accounts.

Response:

- AL 364-W for service areas in SJH = (\$4,083,997) and WLM = (\$3,980,301).
- Future filing for purchased power, purchased water and pumped water in SJH (-\$2,209,201), and WLM service areas (-\$1,861,536).

- (3) Balancing accounts that have experienced volatile fluctuations in their quarterly balances over time.

Response:

- Future filing for purchased power, purchased water and pumped water in SJH and WLM service areas, and recycled water.
- Future filing for WRAM in SJH and WLM service areas.
- AL 375-W for SJH and WLM service areas, and recycled water.
- 2021 – 2023 Conservation Expense One-Way.

- (4) Balancing accounts that have not been reviewed in the previous three years.

Response:

The reserve accounts provided in Table 2 above.

Utility Name	Balancing Account Name	Balancing Account Description	Authorizing Decision or Resolution or Advice Letter	Balance as of Jun. 30, 2023	Most Recent Conducted Review/Audit (either GRC or other Method)	Notes or Comments by Suburban for 12/31/23 reserve accounts	Review/Audit date(s)
Suburban Water Systems	<b>San Jose Hills Service Area</b>	Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM)	D.21-10-024	\$183,724	During GRC - A.20-03-001		3/2/20 - 4/14/21
		Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM)		(\$749,316)		This is the estimated unaudited WRAM balance in San Jose Hills Service Area for period Jan. 2021 through Dec. 2023.	
	Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water	AL 364-W	(\$4,083,997)	AL 364-W		2/22/22 - 5/19/22	
	Recycled Water	AL 364-W	(\$93,145)	AL 364-W		2/22/22 - 5/19/22	
	Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water	AL 375-W	(\$698,606)	AL 375-W		8/25/22 - 9/15/22	
	Recycled Water	AL 375-W	(\$14,989)	AL 375-W		8/25/22 - 9/15/22	
	Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water		(\$2,209,201)	Future filing	This is the estimated balance in San Jose Hills Service Area for period Jul. 2022 - Dec. 2023.		
	Recycled Water		(\$41,727)	Future filing	This is the estimated balance in San Jose Hills Service Area for period Jul. 2022 - Dec. 2023.		
	<b>Whittier/ La Mirada Service Area</b>	Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM)	D.21-10-024	\$69,884	During GRC - A.20-03-001		3/2/20 - 4/14/21
		Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM)		(\$380,923)		This is the estimated unaudited WRAM balance in Whittier/La Mirada Service Area for period Jan. 2021 through Dec. 2023.	
		Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water	AL 364-W	(\$3,980,301)	AL 364-W		2/22/22 - 5/19/22
		Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water	AL 375-W	(\$347,487)	AL 375-W		8/25/22 - 9/15/22
		Purchased Power, Purchased Water and Pumped Water		(\$1,861,536)	Future filing	This is the estimated balance in Whittier/La Mirada Service Area for period Jul. 2022 through Dec. 2023.	
	<b>Total Company</b>	Employee Healthcare	D.19-05-029	\$351,413	In Progress (GRC A.23-01-001)		
2021 - 2023 Conservation Expense One-Way		D.21-10-024	\$109,205	During GRC - A.23-01-001 for 2021 and 2022, and future GRC for 2023	The adopted conservation expense covers years 2021, 2022, and 2023 (GRC cycle)		
Drinking Water Fees		AL 395-W-A	(\$76,082)	Future filing			