

**NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS
SUBURBAN WATER SYSTEMS' REQUEST TO DECREASE WATER RATES FOR ITS
COST OF CAPITAL APPLICATION No.18-05-004**

Date: Thursday, September 6, 2018, through Friday, September 7, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m.

**Location: California Public Utilities Commission
Commission Courtroom**

505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) on Suburban Water Systems' (Suburban) Cost of Capital (CoC) Application No. 18-05-004 at the time and place noted above. The assigned Administrative Law Judge (Judge) for this proceeding will facilitate these hearings and may modify the schedule if needed. At the EHs, formal parties of record will participate and present their own arguments addressing Suburban's CoC. The hearing location is wheelchair accessible. If you need a language translator or special assistance, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at the address listed at the bottom of this notice at least five days in advance of the hearing date.

About the Application

On May 1, 2018, Suburban filed A.18-05-004 with the CPUC requesting authority to decrease its rate of return from the currently authorized 8.61% to 8.49% for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. Overall, the proposed changes to the cost of capital would decrease Suburban's currently pending general rate case total revenues by approximately \$91,712 (-0.1%) beginning January 1, 2019. While this application is requesting a decrease, Suburban indicates this is sufficient enough to attract funding for water system investments. System investments will allow Suburban to meet its obligations and serve its customers.

Evidentiary Hearings

The CPUC holds EHs whereby formal parties of record provide testimony and are subject to cross-examination before the Judge. These hearings are open to the public, but only those who are formal parties of record can actively participate. After considering all the proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the Judge will issue a proposed decision which may adopt Suburban's proposal, modify it or deny it. The proposed decision is then presented to the Commissioners for their consideration. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon at a scheduled CPUC Voting Meeting. The CPUC's final decision may be different from Suburban's proposed requests in the filed application.

For More Information

A copy of the application may be viewed at Suburban's offices:

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The application may also be reviewed at the CPUC's Central Files Office by appointment. For more information, contact: aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov or (415) 703-2045. A digital copy of the application may be reviewed on the CPUC's Docket Card webpage at <https://apps.cpuc.ca.gov/apex/f?p=401:1:0>; type the proceeding number, without dashes, in the Proceeding Number Search box, then click Enter/Search box.

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Please reference **Suburban's CoC Application No. 18-05-004** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review to the assigned Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.