ENTERED Jun 17 2022

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UW 191

In the Matter of

SOUTH COAST WATER COMPANY LLC,

ORDER

Request for a General Rate Revision.

DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED

On May 24, 2022, South Coast Water Company LLC filed tariff sheets in Advice 22-01 to be effective on January 1, 2023. The filing seeks a general increase in customer rates. I find good and sufficient cause exists to investigate the propriety and reasonableness of the tariff sheets under ORS 757.210 and 757.215.

ORS 757.215(1) authorizes the suspension of a rate filing for a period not to exceed nine months. The statute contemplates that the maximum suspension would occur in two steps—an initial six-month suspension followed by a second three-month suspension if necessary. Although the company's tariffs are dated for effect January 1, 2023, consistent with a six-month investigation, I conclude at this time that a nine-month investigation period may be necessary for this general rate proceeding and suspend the tariff accordingly.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Advice No. 22-01 filed by South Coast Water Company LLC is suspended for a period of time not to exceed three months from January 1, 2023, the effective date of the tariff sheets. Advice No. 22-01 is suspended until April 1, 2023.

Made, entered, and effective

Jun 17, 2022

Nolan Moser Chief Administrative Law Judge

