BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Complainant,

DOCKET UW-240151

v.

CASCADIA WATER, LLC,

Respondent.

WATER CONSUMER ADVOCATES OF WASHINGTON, INTERVENOR

November 20, 2024

Direct Exhibit of Blaine C. Gilles

Cascadia Responses to PC IR 2

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Rates & Regulatory Affairs UW-240151

Cascadia Water LLC Proposed General Rate Case

Data Request Response

Request No.: UW-240151 PC IR 2

For all the years that the Company has data, please provide an estimate of how many times the Company (or a previous system owner) should have sent boil-water orders due to system conditions being out of compliance and how many times boil-water orders were actually sent. Please separate results by major water system (Seaview/Lehman, Estates/Monterra, Pedersen, NWWS, Aquarius, Discovery Bay, Pelican Point) and the reason boil-water orders were necessary (e.g., pressure decrease due to power outage, pressure decrease due to main break, confirmed contamination).

Response:

A boil advisory should have been sent out every single time the power went out at a system (without a generator) and that system lost pressure, going back to when each system was first installed. We do not track this type of information. A public record request would need to be submitted at each of our energy companies that provide power service to our systems (there are currently five different companies), which we have not done. We only track how many times boil orders were sent. This same information was submitted to WUTC Staff via UW-240151 WUTC IR 42.

We do not have these records easily available prior to 2023. There were eight boil notices issued in 2023: two for the CAL Waterworks system (due to new system components being installed), one for the TEL 3 system (due to a leak repair), one for the WB Waterworks system (due to new system components being installed), one for the Silver Lake system (due to a leak repair), one at Bacus Road for a scheduled power outage by PSE, one for the Estates system (due to a leak repair) and one at Diamond Point for water quality. There have been three so far in 2024: one on the Skagit River Colony system (system components froze in January), one for the WB Waterworks system (due to an issue when new system components were installed), and one on the Diamond Point system (due to a contractor hitting the line).

The Bacus Road boil notice referred to above predated the installation of a generator for that system. Now that Bacus Road has a generator there should not be a need for boil notices due to power outages.