Consumer Confidence Report
Certification Form

(To be submitted with a copy of the CCR)

Water System Name: Golden State Water Company – Ojai

Water System Number: 5610014

The water system named above hereby certifies that its Consumer Confidence Report was distributed prior to 07/01/2016 to customers (and appropriate notices of availability have been given). Further, the system certifies that the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW).

Certified by: Name: Matthew Hubbard

Signature:

Title: Associate Water Quality Engineer

Phone Number: (805) 528-2281 Date: 09/22/2016

To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate:

- ☐ CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery methods (attach description of other direct delivery methods used).
- ☒ CCR was distributed using electronic delivery methods described in the Guidance for Electronic Delivery of the Consumer Confidence Report (water systems utilizing electronic delivery methods must complete the second page).
- ☒ "Good faith" efforts were used to reach non-bill paying consumers. Those efforts included the following methods:
  - ☒ Posting the CCR at the following URL: www.gswater.com/OjaiCCR
  - ☐ Mailing the CCR to postal patrons within the service area (attach zip codes used)
  - ☒ Advertising the availability of the CCR in news media (attach copy of press release)
  - ☐ Publication of the CCR in a local newspaper of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published)
  - ☒ Posted the CCR in public places: GSWC Ojai Customer Service Office
  - ☐ Delivery of multiple copies of CCR to single-billed addresses serving several persons, such as apartments, businesses, and schools
  - ☐ Delivery to community organizations (attach a list of organizations)
  - ☐ Publication of the CCR in the electronic city newsletter or electronic community newsletter or listserv (attach a copy of the article or notice)
  - ☐ Electronic announcement of CCR availability via social media outlets (attach list of social media outlets utilized)
  - ☐ Other (attach a list of other methods used)
- ☐ *For systems serving at least 100,000 persons*: Posted CCR on a publicly-accessible internet site at the following URL: www._____
- ☒ *For privately-owned utilities*: Delivered the CCR to the California Public Utilities Commission

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Electronic Delivery Certification

Water systems utilizing electronic distribution methods for CCR delivery must complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate.

☒ Water system mailed a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available website where it can be viewed (attach a copy of the mailed CCR notification). URL: www.gswater.com/OjaiCCR

☒ Water system emailed a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available site on the Internet where it can be viewed (attach a copy of the emailed CCR notification). URL: www.gswater.com/OjaiCCR

☐ Water system emailed the CCR as an electronic file email attachment.

☐ Water system emailed the CCR text and tables inserted or embedded into the body of an email, not as an attachment (attach a copy of the emailed CCR).

☐ *Requires prior DDW review and approval.* Water system utilized other electronic delivery method that meets the direct delivery requirement.

Provide a brief description of the water system's electronic delivery procedures and include how the water system ensures delivery to customers unable to receive electronic delivery.

In our continuing efforts to better serve our customers, conserve resources, and reduce costs, Golden State Water Company chose to utilize electronic delivery of the annual consumer confidence reports (CCRs) as allowed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water. Notices regarding the availability of the CCR were mailed to customers as a bill insert, and also emailed to all customers receiving electronic bills. These notices, printed and emailed in both English and Spanish, directed people to the URL for viewing the CCR online, and also gave them information on how to request a hard copy of the CCR. The emailed CCR notification was identical to the mailed notification.

Consumer Confidence Reports Available Now!

The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires Golden State Water Company to provide to you. The purpose of the CCR is to raise customer awareness of the quality of your drinking water, where your drinking water comes from, what it takes to deliver water to your homes, and the importance of protecting drinking water sources. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

In recent years, Golden State Water Company has mailed its customers a printed copy of the CCR to comply with the SDWA.

On February 21, 2013, the State Water Board Division of Drinking Water expanded its interpretation of the SDWA to allow for electronic delivery of the CCR. The electronic delivery method will allow Golden State Water Company to reduce the consumption of paper and minimize potential printing and mailing costs.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2016 CCR mailed to your mailing address or would like to speak with someone about the report, please call 1-800-999-4033 or email waterquality@gswater.com.

You can view your 2016 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water by visiting the following URL:

www.gswater.com/OjaiCCR

El informe de Confianza del Consumidor o CCR, es un informe anual de la calidad de agua potable que el Decreto de Agua Potable Sana requiere que Golden State Water Company (GSWC, por sus siglas en ingles) le provee. El objetivo del CCR es aumentar la conciencia de los consumidores acerca de la calidad de su agua potable, de donde viene el agua potable, lo que se necesita para distribuir agua a su hogar, y la importancia de proteger fuentes de agua potable. Este informe contiene información importante acerca del origen y la calidad de su agua potable.

En los últimos años, GSWC ha enviado por correo una copia del CCR para cumplir con la regulación.

El 21 de febrero de 2013, La Junta Estatal de Control de Recursos de Agua ha ampliado su interpretación de la regulación para permitir la distribución electrónica del CCR. El método de entrega electrónica permitirá que GSWC reduzca el consumo de papel y gastos de envío y de imprenta.

Si desea una copia en papel del CCR del 2016 enviado por correo a su dirección o si desea hablar con alguien sobre el informe, llame al 1-800-999-4033 o por correo electrónico a waterquality@gswater.com.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

(SECTION 2015.5 CCP)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF VENTURA

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the aforesaid County; I am over the age of eighteen, and not interested in the above entitled matter. I am now, and at all times embraced in the publication herein mentioned, was a principal clerk of the printers and publishers of THE OJAI VALLEY NEWS, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published Wednesday and Friday at Ojai in the above named County and State; that the Legal Advertisement

Public Notice

of which the annexed clipping is a true printed copy, was published in the above-named newspaper, and not in any supplement thereof, on the following dates, to-wit:

Aug. 19 & 26, 2016

that said newspaper was duly and regularly ascertained and established newspaper of general circulation by Decree entered in the Superior Court of the County of Ventura, State of California, on February 14, 1958, under the provision of Chapter 1, Division 7, Title 1 of the California Code of the State of California. I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Jodie Miller
Ojai Valley News

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Dated this 26th Day of August
2016 at Ojai Valley News, Ventura County, California

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Interested parties who would like to view or print a copy of Golden State water Company's 2016 for Year 2015 Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) can access the report on the web at: www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports.

Certificate of Publication

Ad #1230634

In Matter of Publication of:

Public Notice

State of California)
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County of Ventura)

I, **Maria Rodriguez**, hereby certify that the **Ventura County Star Newspaper** has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of California, County of Ventura within the provisions of the Government Code of the State of California, printed in the City of Camarillo, for circulation in the County of Ventura, State of California; that I am a clerk of the printer of said paper; that the annexed clipping is a true printed copy and publishing in said newspaper on the following dates to wit:

Aug. 20, 27, 2016

I, Maria Rodriguez certify under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this Aug. 29, 2016; in Camarillo, California, County of Ventura.

Maria Rodriguez
(Signature)

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