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In re Application of

Northwest Industrial Services, LLC

for Solid Waste Collection Services.

d/b/a American on Site Services,

**DOCKET NO. TG-081725** 

PROTEST OF ROBERT L. NICHOLS d/b/a B & N SANITARY SERVICE

**COMES NOW** Protestant and protests the granting of the abovereferenced application for the following Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for solid waste service:

Solid Waste Collection Service consisting of construction demolition, industrial manufacturing waste, and recycling material in that portion of Pend Oreille County as described as follows: The West ½ of Township 38 N., R43 East, W.M.; the West ½ of Township 37 N., R43 East W.M.; and the East ½ of Township 37 N. R42 East W.M.; also in that portion of Pend Oreille County described as follows: T 39 N., R 44 E, Section 6, 7 and 18 of T. 38 N., R. 44 E

In doing so, Protestant alleges and prays as follows:

- 1) Protestant is the holder of WUTC Permit No. 122 which provides for solid waste authority in the territory requested by this application. Protestant stands ready and able to perform the services specified in the application. A true copy of G-122 is attached hereto.
- 2) Protestant has invested considerable capital in infrastructure and equipment in order to provide the service required by its WUTC Permit. If this

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application were to be granted and customers were to change to service by applicant, it would create an untenable financial situation for Protestant. There is an insufficient customer base within Protestant's WUTC permit area to support two permitted haulers, and thus the granting of this application would not be in the public interest.

- 3) Applicant is not fit to be granted the relief sought in the application. Applicant has conducted unauthorized and illegal solid waste collection activities within Protestant's WUTC permit area and within other permit holders' areas.
- 4) The granting of this application would serve to promote and legitimize "cream skimming;" that is, serving lucrative commercial accounts without also serving less lucrative residential customers. This is inapposite to WUTC policy and related case law.

WHEREFORE, Protestant prays this application be dismissed OR in the alternative a hearing be held, at which hearing Protestant would call three to five witnesses whose testimony would take approximately one day.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of October 2008.

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SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE in that portion of Pend Oreille County described as follows: The west 1/2 of Township 38 North, Range 43 East W.M.; the west 1/2 of Township 37 North, Range 43 East W.M.; and the east 1/2 of Township 37 North, Range 42 East W.M. also in that portion of Pend Oreille County described as follows T. 39 N., R. 43 E.; T. 40 N., R. 43 E.; Sections 19, 29, 30, 31 and 32 of T. 39 N., R. 44 E.; Sections 6, 7 and 18 of T. 38 N., R. 44 E.

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