

Yakima Waste Systems, Inc.

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RATE INCREASE NOTICE FOR RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, RECYCLING & YARD WASTE

Dear Customer:

November 30, 2013

Yakima Waste Systems, Inc. has filed a request for a rate increase with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC). The last general rate increase was approved by the WUTC November 1, 2011. Since that time, the Company has experienced increases in operating costs in the areas of labor, employee benefits, fuel, parts and equipment amongst other categories which it now seeks to update in rates.

If approved, the proposed rates will become effective January 1, 2014. The rate per month will increase as follows:

	Current Rate	Proposed	
	Per Month	Increase Per Month	Proposed Rate Per Month
Residential:			
Invoiced Every-Other-Month			
20 gal weekly	5.36	.23	5.59
1-32 gal weekly	6.71	.28	6.99
1-48 gal weekly	9.57	.40	9.97
1-64 gal weekly	10.05	.42	10.47
1-96 gal weekly	12.24	.51	12.75
1-32 gal per month	4.00	.17	4.17
Occasional extra unit	1.95	.08	2.03
Other services not listed will increase an average of 4.21%			
Yard Waste:			
96-gal every-other-week	10.17	.63	10.80
Other services not listed will increase an average of 6.24%			
Recycling:			
64-gal every-other-week	6.72	1.70	8.42
Other services not listed will increase an average of 25.33%			

If you have any questions regarding this increase, please contact Yakima Waste Systems, Inc. between 8:00 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be either lower or higher from the Company's request, depending on the results of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on December 27, 2013. The WUTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the Commission at (360) 664-1132 or human_resources@utc.wa.gov. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, the Commission has a bridge line which enables you to participate or listen by telephone. Call 360-664-1234 for instructions the day before the open meeting. You can also comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the Commission's Web site at www.utc.wa.gov or by using the contact information below.

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Sincerely,
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