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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503 **WASTE MANAGEMENT** 720 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 400 Kirkland, WA 98033

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Subject: Waste Management of Skagit County, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc. (G-237); Tariff # 19

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Enclosed are revised page 2 and Special Surcharge Supplement No. 2 to the above-referenced tariff. The purpose of these tariff revisions is to reflect the temporary significant increase in the cost of transporting and processing recyclable materials due to the closure of Cascade Recycling Center (CRC) while it is being remodeled and retrofitted with state-of-the-art processing equipment. Accordingly, we are requesting that a special surcharge of \$0.83 per month be added to the monthly recycling charge reflected in Item 100 of the tariff. We are requesting that this surcharge go into effect on March 1, 2023.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting workpapers. Please note that our filing includes certain documents that contain valuable commercial information and is therefore being submitted in accordance with the procedures established in WAC 480-07-160. It is presented in two separate submittals to the web portal, both of which clearly identify electronic versions of confidential and redacted documents. One includes electronic versions of work papers containing confidential materials (in PDF and excel), with the first page of the file, and each page that contains confidential information marked appropriately. The second, separate web portal filing contains all nonconfidential materials in PDF, consisting of the transmittal letter, the revised tariff, and redacted work papers. In addition, we respectfully request a waiver from the application of WAC 480-07-520 to allow our work papers to be limited in scope to the issues related to the closure of CRC as described above.

Customers will be notified of the surcharge as a message on their first invoice after the tariff is approved.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at:

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Respectfully,

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