

MEMORANDUM

January 8, 2004

TO: Gene Eckhardt, Regulatory Services
Assistant Director, Transportation and Water Section

FROM: Bonnie Allen, Regulatory Analyst

SUBJECT: Application No. GA-79232 - Docket No. TG-031863

Applicant Transferee: Emerald Services, Inc.
9010 E. Marginal Way S. Ste. 200
Seattle, WA 98108

Applicant Transferor: Environmental Transport, Inc.
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Seattle, WA 98108

Discussion

Emerald Services, Inc., and Environmental Transport, Inc., filed joint application GA-79232 in docket TG-031863. GA-79232 is an application for transfer of all rights under Solid Waste Collection Certificate No. G-211 from Environmental Transport, Inc., to Emerald Services, Inc. The application appeared on the Commission's November 24, 2003, application docket. No one filed a protest during the 30-day protest period. No one filed a petition to intervene.

Certificate No. G-211 authorizes the collection of refuse that is restricted to hazardous and extremely hazardous wastes in several Western Washington counties.

Emerald Services, Inc., is an existing interstate carrier with authority to transport hazardous materials and has a satisfactory federal safety rating. There are no consumer complaints, compliance actions, or administrative penalties pending against either company.

Under the provisions of RCW 81.77.040, the Commission may grant an application with or without hearing when there is no existing certificate holder authorized to provide solid waste collection service in the territory requested. Further, any certificate may be sold, assigned, leased, transferred, or inherited as property, but only on authorization by the Commission.

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Recommendation

No hearing is required in this application and there are no issues that suggest staff should ask the Commission to set the application for hearing. Therefore, I recommend this application be forwarded to Licensing Staff to process and prepare an order to grant the application without a hearing.

Notes to staff:

- The applicant will need to file either a tariff adoption notice or a new tariff at existing rates.
- Coordinate with GIS staff to ensure that the map reflects the order effective date.
- Need to request a closing annual report from the outgoing company.