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Kathy Hunter, Acting Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Sanitary Service Company, Inc. G-14 –Recycling Commodity Price Adjustment, Item 230 pass-through disposal fees, and rates for WUTC residential and commercial garbage collection services.

Dear Secretary Hunter:

Enclosed are revised pages to Solid Waste Tariff No. 9 for Sanitary Service Company, Inc.

The proposed tariff pages are revised for a twelve-month recycling commodity calculation. The impact of the revised tracker is an increase in the residential recycling commodity rate from a debit of \$2.83 to a debit of \$3.38 per customer, per month and an increase in the multi- family recycling commodity rate from a debit of \$0.90 to a debit of \$1.37 per yard per pickup.

The proposed revised tariff pages also contain a correction to the recycle only rate on page 24. The recycle only rate was approved during the company's last general rate case effective 6/1/2021 and the page was missing the updated rate. The approved recycle only rate is \$7.36.

These proposed revised tariff pages also contain increases due to a rise in disposal fees for Item 230 pass-through fees and disposal fee components only, for WUTC commercial garbage collection services. The requested rate increases are necessary to recover increased disposal fees imposed upon SSC at the Recycling & Disposal Services Inc. Transfer Station.

SSC is only requesting revisions to its tariff rates to recoup disposal fee component increases. This filing does not ask for any changes to the service component of customers' rates for the company's performance of solid waste collection services.

Residential and commercial customer revenue resulting from the tip fee increases at the third-party disposal site would increase by approximately \$183,000 and the proposed rates would go up between 0.56% and 1.37%. The impact to pass through disposal fee customers for the Item 230 pass-through increase will be approximately \$197,000 and the pass-through rates would go up by approximately 4.94%. The effective date of these proposed tariff revisions is January 1, 2024. Work papers showing the calculation of the disposal fee increase are enclosed.

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In accordance with WAC 480-70-271(2), to the extent the Commission approves the rates reflecting the disposal fee, affected customers will be notified of this rate increase on their next regularly scheduled billing.

Please feel free to call me at (360) 527-9783 if you have any questions about this filing.

Sincerely,

Sara Campbell, Controller