BEFORE THE WASHINGTON

## UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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| WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,  Complainant,  v.  MURREY’S DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC., G-9,  Respondent.  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .  WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,  Complainant,  v.  AMERICAN DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC., G-87,  Respondent.  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .  WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,  Complainant,  v.  MASON COUNTY GARBAGE CO., INC. D/B/A MASON COUNTY GARBAGE, G-88,  Respondent.  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .  WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,  Complainant,  v.  HAROLD LEMAY ENTERPRISES, INC., d/b/a PIERCE COUNTY REFUSE, G-98,  Respondent  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  ) | DOCKET TG-111672  ORDER 04  ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION  DOCKET TG-111674  ORDER 04  ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION  DOCKET TG-111681  ORDER 04  ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION  DOCKET TG-120073  ORDER 03  ORDER OF C0NSOLIDATION |

**BACKGROUND**

1. On September 15, 2011, in Docket TG-111672, Murrey’s Disposal Company, Inc. (Murrey’s Disposal) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revisions to its currently effective Tariff No. 25, designated as Tariff pages 1, 21, 25, 27, 28, 30, 46, 47, 48 and 49.
2. On September 15, 2011, in Docket TG-111674, American Disposal Company, Inc. (American Disposal) filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff No. 25, designated as Tariff pages 1, 21, 25, 27, 28, 30, 46, 47, 49 and 49.
3. Murrey’s Disposal and American Disposal both propose to increase the amount they pay to single family and multi-family customers for the value of the recyclable materials that they collect in their residential recycling collection service. The monthly credit for single family customers of each company would increase from $1.31 to $1.69 and the monthly credit for multi-family customers would increase from $0.67 per yard to $0.76 per yard for each pickup. Murrey’s Disposal and American Disposal also filed a request to retain fifty percent of the revenue they receive from the sale of recyclable materials that they collect in their residential single and multi-family recycling collection service from November 1, 2011, to October 31, 2012.
4. On September 16, 2011, in Docket TG-111681, Mason County Garbage Co., Inc. d/b/a Mason County Garbage (Mason County Garbage) filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff No. 13, designated as Tariff pages 1, 21 and 21A.
5. In its filing, Mason County Garbage proposes to increase the amount it pays to single family customers for the value of the recyclable materials that it collects in its residential recycling collection service. The monthly credit for single family customers would increase from $1.75 to $2.13. Mason County Garbage also requested the Commission allow it to retain thirty percent of the revenue it receives from the sale of recyclable materials that it collects in its residential single-family recycling collection service from November 1, 2011, to October 31, 2012.
6. On October 31, 2011, the Commission, by Order 01, suspended operation of the tariffs in Dockets TG-111672, TG-111674, and TG-111681.
7. On November 1, 2011, the Commission, by Order 02, consolidated Dockets TG-111672, TG-111674, and TG-111681.
8. On January 13, 2012, in Docket TG-120073, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Pierce County Refuse (LeMay or Company) filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff No. 9, designated as Tariff pages 1 and 21. LeMay proposes to increase the amount it pays to customers for the value of the recyclable materials that it collects in its residential recycling collection service. The monthly credit for customers would increase from $0.91 to $1.97.
9. On January 30, 2012, LeMay filed a substitute revised page 21 reducing the proposed credit from $1.97 to $1.75, to reflect $139,812 less in commodity sales proceeds received from LeMay’s recycling processor, SP Recycling.
10. On February 23, 2012, the Commission, by Order 01, suspended operation of the tariff, allowing revenue sharing and recyclable commodity revenue adjustments on a temporary basis, subject to refund.
11. The Commission convened a prehearing conference in Docket TG-120073 on September 26, 2012**,** before Administrative Law Judge Gregory J. Kopta. The parties were given the opportunity to discuss at the prehearing conference the benefits of consolidating this matter with Dockets TG-111672, TG-111674, and TG-111681 (consolidated). The Commission concludes that the matters in Dockets TG-111672, TG-111674, TG-111681, and TG-120073 appear to involve related facts and principles of law. Therefore, it is appropriate that Docket TG-120073 be consolidated with Dockets TG-111672, TG-111674, and TG-111681 for determination pursuant to WAC 480-07-320.

**ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION**

1. THE COMMISSION ORDERS That TG-111672, TG-111674, TG-111681, and TG-120073 are consolidated for purposes of hearing and determination. The Commission reserves the right to hold separate hearings and to enter separate orders in the individual dockets as it deems appropriate.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October5, 2012.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

GREGORY J. KOPTA

Administrative Law Judge