BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND) DOCKET NO. TG-021651
TRANSPORTATION)
COMMISSION,)
)
Complainant,)
)
v.) ORDER DISMISSING
) COMPLAINT AND ORDER
Yakima Waste Systems, Inc., G-89) SUSPENDING TARIFF NO. 9;
) GRANTING REVISED TARIFF
Respondent.) REVISIONS
)

BACKGROUND

- On December 17, 2002, Yakima Waste Systems, Inc., (Yakima Waste or Company) filed rate increases contained within a proposed new tariff with the Commission designated as Tariff No. 9.
- On January 29, 2002, the Commission entered a Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revisions pending an investigation to determine whether the revisions are fair, just and reasonable.
- Staff has now completed its investigation of this docket, and the Staff and the Company have reached agreement on a revised level of rates that are fair, just reasonable, and sufficient. These revised rates are lower than those originally proposed. The Company filed a revised Tariff No. 9 on February 10, 2003, in accordance with that agreement.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

4 (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate

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rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, and transfers of public service companies, including solid waste companies. *RCW* 80.01.040; *Chapter 81.01 RCW*; *Chapter 81.04 RCW*; *Chapter 81.28 RCW and Chapter 81.77 RCW*.

- 5 (2) Yakima Waste is solid waste collection company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 6 (3) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on February 12, 2003.
- 7 (4) The tariff revisions(s) to the tariff presently under suspension are fair, just and reasonable.
- After review of the tariff revision(s) filed in Docket TG-021651 by Yakima Waste and giving due consideration, the Commission finds it is consistent with the public interest that the Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revision(s) in Docket TG-021651, dated January 29, 2003, be dismissed and the revised tariff revision(s) to Tariff 9 become effective on February 13, 2003.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) The Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revision(s) in Docket TG-021651, dated January 29, 2003, is dismissed.
- 10 (2) The revised tariff revisions filed in this docket on February 10, 2003, shall become effective on February 13, 2003.

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The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 12th day of February, 2003.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner