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## RATE INCREASE NOTICE FOR RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, RECYCLING & YARD WASTE

## Dear Customer:

July 30, 2021

Yakima Waste Systems, Inc. has filed a request for a rate increase with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) to recover incremental COVID-19 costs incurred between March 2020 and February 2021. The Company incurred additional wages, supplies, and equipment costs due to hazardous working conditions experienced during this time. If this filing is approved by the WUTC, the COVID-19 cost recovery period will be September 1, 2021- August 31, 2023

If approved, the proposed rates below will become effective September 1, 2021. The rate per month will increase as follows:

Residential:	Current Rate	Proposed Increase Per Month	Proposed Rate Per Month
Invoiced Every-Other-Month	Per Month	Per Month	Per Wronun
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1-20 gal weekly	\$6.75	\$0.04	\$6.79
1-32 gal weekly	8.50	0.05	8.55
2-32 gal weekly	11.21	0.07	11.28
3-32 gal weekly	13.94	0.08	14.02
1-48 gal weekly	12.12	0.07	12.19
1-64 gal weekly	12.73	0.08	12.81
1-96 gal weekly	15.62	0.09	15.71
Occasional extra unit	2.47	0.01	2.48
Oversize Can	2.10	0.01	2.11
Drive In (125-250 feet)	0.93	0.01	0.94
Other services not listed will increase 0.60%			
Recycling:			
64-gal every-other-week	9.42	0.06	9.48
Other services not listed will increase 0.60%			
Yard Waste:			
96-gal every-other-week	10.78	0.07	10.85
Other services not listed will increase 0.60%			

If you have any questions regarding this increase, please contact Yakima Waste Systems, Inc. between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be either lower or higher from the company's request, depending on the results of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commissioners at an open meeting which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on August 26, 2021. The UTC building is closed to the public until further notice. This open meeting will be conducted remotely. If you intend to listen or participate, call 360-664-1234 for instructions the day before the open meeting.

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Sincerely, Management Yakima Waste Systems, Inc.