

STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF BENCH REQUESTS

(Responses due by Wednesday, November 27, 2013) (Replies to bench request responses due by Wednesday, December 4, 2013)

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Complainant, v. Waste Management of Washington, Inc., d/b/a Waste Management of the Northwest, Waste Management of Seattle and South Sound, and Waste Management of Sno-King, G-237, Respondent, Dockets TG-120840, TG-120842, and TG-120843,

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Complainant, v. Rabanco, Ltd., d/b/a Container Hauling, Eastside Disposal, Rabanco Companies, Rabanco Connections, Lynnwood Disposal, Allied Waste Services of Klickitat County, Tri-County Disposal, Allied Waste Service of Kent & Rabanco Companies, and Seatac Disposal, G-12, Respondent, Dockets TG-121366, TG-121367, TG-121369, TG-121370, and TG-121371

The following bench requests are directed to Waste Management of Washington Inc., *et al* (WMW):

Bench Request No. 1: In WMW's 2012 Puget Sound Labor Disruption Contingency Plan (2012 Contingency Plan), WMW prioritizes its temporary collection services provided by the "Green Team" during a labor disruption with "critical" facilities receiving restored service first. Please indicate whether the practice of restoring collection services initially to "critical" facilities will be continued under the Haulers' Proposal. If so, why is such language absent from the Haulers' Proposal?

¹ WMW's Statement in Support of Proposed Item 30 Tariff Language, Exhibit A to Declaration of Andrew M. Kenefick, Exhibit 5 at 2. WMW defines "critical" facilities to include: hospitals, nursing homes, and other facilities where solid waste services are "critical to human health and the environment." *Id.*

Bench Request No. 2: Has WMW updated its 2012 Contingency Plan? If so, please provide a copy of the updated plan. How often is this plan updated?

The following bench requests are directed to Rabanco Ltd., et al (Rabanco):

Bench Request No. 3: In the event of a labor disruption, does Rabanco have a similar practice of prioritizing "critical" facilities during temporary collection services? How does Rabanco define these "critical" facilities?

Bench Request No. 4: Please indicate whether Rabanco also has a contingency plan in place should a labor disruption occur. If so, please provide a copy of that plan.

The bench request responses are due on or before **Wednesday**, **November 27**, **2013**. Parties may reply to the bench request responses on or before **Wednesday**, **December 4**, **2013**.

MARGUERITE FRIEDLANDER
Administrative Law Judge

cc: All Parties