BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Petition of) DOCKET TG-101542 (Consolidated)
MASON COUNTY GARBAGE CO., INC.))
d/b/a MASON COUNTY GARBAGE, G-88,)
Requesting Authority to Retain Thirty)
Percent of the Revenue Received From the)
Sale of Recyclable Materials Collected in)
Residential Recycling Service)
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In the Matter of the Petition of) DOCKET TG-101545 (Consolidated)
MURREY'S DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC., G-9,)))
Requesting Authority to Retain Fifty Percent of the Revenue Received From the Sale of Recyclable Materials Collected in Residential Recycling Service)))
Recycling Service	, ,
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In the Matter of the Petition of) DOCKET TG-101548 (Consolidated)
AMERICAN DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC.,) DECLARATION OF STEPHEN C.
G-87,) WAMBACK IN SUPPORT OF ORIGINAL) PETITIONERS' RESPONSE TO STAFF
Requesting Authority to Retain Fifty Percent) PETITION FOR CLARIFICATION OF
of the Revenue Received From the Sale of) ORDER NO. 5 PURSUANT TO WAC 480-
Recyclable Materials Collected in Residential) 07-835
Recycling Service)
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Stephen C. Wamback declares:

- 1 I am the Solid Waste Administrator for the Pierce County Public Works and UtilitiesDepartment and have been employed by the County for over 18 years.
- I previously outlined my professional experience in this Docket in a Declaration filed February 10, 2011. For additional background on my professional and industry experience, I would allude to paragraphs 1 through 4, pages 2 and 3 of that Declaration and incorporate those specific paragraphs by reference, here.
- It is my understanding that the Staff of the Commission has filed a Petition for Clarification of Order No. 5 served May 6, 2011 in this Docket seeking to reconcile the perceived lack of specific disposition of some revenue earned by Murrey's and American Disposal ("Murrey's/American") in accordance with its 2009-2010 revenue share plan.
- In a September 16, 2010 letter to the Commission in a capacity assigned by state law under RCW 81.77.185, I summarized the Murrey's/American recycling plans and performance thereunder from 2005-2010, in addition to outlining a new performance plan for 2010/2011 reporting period. For the year 2009-2010, I surveyed the performance for the reporting year (previously accepted by the Commission in Orders No. 1 in TG-091463 and TG-091467) in an attachment which prescribed a total retention of 30% revenue share for that year, broken down into three areas "implementation, data monitoring and performance increase" and detailed the criteria to qualify for the retention and the successive qualification by Murrey's/American in meeting those criteria from 2004 to date.
- While the detail on the implementation and data monitoring in the attachment to my September 16, 2010 are self-evident, I wanted to elaborate here on the "performance increases benchmark" that, under our previous plan, annually compared the current experience back to 2004, before Pierce County and Murrey's/American single cart recycling was implemented, and which comprises the largest portion of the proposed revenue share retention increment.

DECLARATION OF STEPHEN C. WAMBACK IN SUPPORT OF ORIGINAL PETITIONERS' RESPONSE TO STAFF PETITION FOR CLARIFICATION OF ORDER NO. 5 PURSUANT TO WAC 480-07-835

Comparing the 2009-2010 period to the 2004 base year for fiber recovery, there was a 125% increase in the Murrey's/American collection area and a 96% per capita increase. For all curbside recycling, there was a 96% overall increase and a 71% per capita increase in the Murrey's/American County territories, resulting in an 8% reduction in gross residential disposal and a 20% decrease in per capita disposal by the 2009/2010 reporting period.

- As I indicated to the Commission in remarks at the Open Meeting in October, 2010 and in submissions of September 16 and October 27, 2010, for the 2010/2011 reporting period, Murrey's/American will be required to make additional demonstrations, provide additional services and detail additional waste stream transformations to retain up to 50% of revenue share proceeds in conjunction with the newly-reformulated performance benchmark criteria.
- But to reiterate, for the 2009/2010 reporting period, Pierce County has previously certified and now reaffirms the expenditure activities by Murrey's/American under the plans originally submitted in Dockets TG-091463 and TG-091467, and specifically, that it complied with all tasks outlined by those Orders No. 1:
- Promote waste reduction by encouraging new and existing customers to utilize the 96-gallon recycling cart;
- Provide annual information, as a bill insert, regarding garbage, recycling and yard waste collection and stress the importance of waste reduction;
- Work with Management of Multi-family establishments to increase recycling and reduce contaminants;
- Follow-up with complexes, using compactors for garbage, that currently do not recycle
 or do not have adequate space allocated for recycling equipment to encourage recycling;
- Participate in regional meetings, city councils, Washington Refuse and Recycling Association (WRRA), etc. to discuss strategies for increasing recycling in our state; and
- Continue monthly reporting of recycling, yard waste and garbage tonnage to Pierce County.

In so doing, we continue to support finding and conclusion number six, set forth at ¶ 11 of Orders No. 1, that Murrey's/American be authorized to retain thirty percent of the revenue received from the sale of recyclable materials. Finally, consistent with our report to the Commission in the current dockets and my prior certification, we urge the Commission find that in compliance with RCW 81.77.185 and the Commission's interpretations of the application of the statute in Order No. 5 in this docket, Murrey's/American be authorized to retain the unspent revenue share increment in the previous 2009/2010 reporting period.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this day of June, 2011 at University Place, Washington.

Stephen C. Wamback

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 22 2011, I caused to be served the original and three (3) copies of the foregoing document to the following address via first class mail, postage prepaid to:

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I certify I have also provided to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's Secretary an official electronic file containing the foregoing document via email to: records@utc.wa.gov.

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