**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON**

**UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,  Complainant,  v.  WASTE CONTROL, INC. (G-101),  Respondent.  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  ) | DOCKET TG-140560  ORDER 03  ORDER APPROVING TEMPORARY SPECIAL FUEL SURCHARGE ON LESS THAN STATUTORY NOTICE |

1. **NATURE OF PROCEEDING.** On January 31, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) approved the request of Waste Control, Inc. (Waste Control or Company) to collect a temporary fuel surcharge in the amount of 0.82 percent on less than statutory notice. The surcharge became effective on February 1, 2014, and will expire on May 31, 2014.
2. **MOTION TO LIFT SUSPENSION AND APPROVE SURCHARGE.** On April 30, 2014, Waste Control filed a motion to revise the temporary fuel surcharge effective May 1, 2014, and with new expiration date of July 31, 2014, by decreasing the amount from 0.82 percent to 0.81 percent (Motion).[[1]](#footnote-1) The Company stated that it incurred increased fuel costs, from $2.36 per gallon for the base period to $3.3658 per gallon current price, during the months of February and March 2014. Waste Control asked that the surcharge temporarily become effective May 1, 2014, for all customers, and expire on July 31, 2014.[[2]](#footnote-2)
3. On May 1, 2014, the Commission’s regulatory staff (Staff) filed a response to Waste Control’s Motion, recommending that the Commission approve the fuel surcharge on less than statutory notice.[[3]](#footnote-3)
4. Waste Control alleges, and the parties do not dispute, that its fuel costs have risen from $2.36 per gallon for the base period to $3.3658 per gallon current price. The fuel surcharge would temporarily allow the Company to recoup these increased costs. As the Company’s request is reasonable, the request should be approved.

## O R D E R

1. THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the temporary Special Fuel Surcharge requested by Waste Control, Inc. in its revised May 5, 2014, filing is approved.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 6, 2014.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARGUERITE E. FRIEDLANDER

Administrative Law Judge

1. While the Company filed this request in the form of a letter, the Commission construes the letter as a motion. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Waste Control filed revised tariffs on May 5, 2014, to clarify the effective date proposed. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Staff reviewed Waste Control’s revised tariffs, filed on May 5, 2014, and continues to support approval. WRRA did not file comments on the Company’s Motion. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)