## Peninsula Sanitation Service, Inc. PO Box A Ilwaco, WA 98642

360-642-2541 March 30, 2012

## Dear Customer:

Peninsula Sanitation Service, Inc. has filed a request with the Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission ("Commission") to increase solid waste collection rates in Pacific County. If approved, the new rates will become effective May 1, 2012.

This increase is to cover increased operating costs for labor, parts and equipment, maintenance, employee benefits, fuel and various other items which have risen over the past nineteen plus years. This is the first general rate increase since an increase approved January 1993. Overall, this rate filing requests an average of approximately 32% increase in rates. In contrast, the consumer price index has increased almost 59% since January 1993.

RESIDENTIAL-billed every two months	Rates per month	
Service	Current	Proposed
60 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$18.70	\$ 23.50
60 gallon toter-weekly pickup drive-in	\$23.90	\$ 30.35
60 gallon toter-once a month pickup	\$11.30	\$ 14.45
90 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$22.00	\$ 33.50
90 gallon toter-weekly pickup drive-in	\$27.20	\$ 40.35

COMMERCIAL CONTAINER-billed monthly	Rates per pickup	
<u>Service</u>	Current	Proposed
300 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$ 23.10	\$ 35.00
60 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$ 6.00	\$ 8.00
90 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$ 6.95	\$ 10.00
Roll-out charges for 300 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$ 5.20	\$ 6.70
Roll-out charges for 60 or 90 gallon toter-weekly pickup	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.70

Other rates not listed above may increase by up to 30%. The above rates do not include the Washington State Solid Waste Collection Tax or any city tax, if applicable.

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 in Olympia, WA which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on April 26, 2012. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, the Commission has a bridge line which enables you to participate or listen by telephone. Call 360-664-1234 for instructions the day before the open meeting. You can also comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the Commission's Web site at utc.wa.gov or by using the contact information below.

Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250;

Email: <a href="mailto:comments@wutc.wa.gov">comments@wutc.wa.gov</a>
Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

Thank you again for your business. If you have questions about this proposal, you may contact us at 360-642-2541 or email pss@willapabay.org or in writing at PO Box A, Ilwaco, WA 98642

Sincerely,

Jay Alexander or Diane Carter Peninsula Sanitation Service, Inc