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Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. Pierce County Refuse 4111 192nd St E Tacoma, WA 98446

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Ms. Kathy Hunter Executive Director and Secretary Attn: Records Section Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Tariff Revision, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Pierce County Refuse ('PCR"), G-98, "Disposal Fee-Only" and Commodity Price Adjustment Filing

Dear Ms. Hunter:

Attached please find revised pages for Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Pierce County Refuse ('PCR"), G-98 Tariff Number 11, as well as supporting documentation for the commodity price adjustment (CPA) and disposal fee adjustment.

For Pierce County Refuse the CPA will change from a debit of \$0.84 to a debit of \$2.23 (265.04%) per residential customer per month. This change affects approximately 61,200 customers in Pierce County.

For residential customers on Joint Base Lewis- McChord the CPA will change from a debit of \$1.21 to a debit of \$1.47 (121.23%) per unit per month. This change affects approximately 5,000 customers on Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

Our company has been notified that the tipping fee in Pierce County will increase from \$171.23 to \$174.84 per ton, a 2.11% increase, effective March 1, 2024. We project this will increase revenue and expense for residential service by \$195,500 (1.04%); for commercial services by \$112,000 (1.18%); and drop box service by \$66,000 (2.11%); for a 12-month period. There are approximately 61,200 residential, 5,700 commercial and 190 drop box customers affected by this change.

The last general rate increase approved by the Commission was effective October 1, 2022.

For solid waste collection services provided to customers residing on Joint Base Lewis-McChord ("JBLM" residential housing), the disposal fee will increase from \$128.71 to \$130.75 per ton, an 1.58% increase, as county administrative and other fees are not included for service on JBLM because it is outside the Pierce County Solid Waste System. We project this will increase revenues by \$11,800 (0.72%) for a 12-month period. There are approximately 5,000 residential customers affected by this change.

Attached are the tariff pages as well as supporting documentation for the increased rates. Tonnage and customer counts used in this calculation are from the audited workpapers of the last general rate case, TG-220823.

We respectfully ask that this filing be accepted under LSN, per WAC 480-70-276 for customer notification. If the LSN is accepted and these rates are approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, the rates will become effective on March 1, 2024. Pursuant to WAC 480-70-271(2)(a)(iii), affected customers will receive notification of this change on the billing reflecting the revised rates.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (360) 566.6925, or via email at brian.vandenburg@WasteConnections.com.

Sincerely,

Brian Vandenburg

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