

Mr. Jeff Goltz Chairman

I do realize that the fuel surcharge effect other transportation companies. I am asking on behalf of the Solid Waste Industry that the Fuel Surcharge remain as a tool for us. Our company Rubatino Refuse Removal has only once used the tool, because our monthly fuel costs are \$40,000 and our total are \$1.2 million. The current guideline require our fuel costs to increase \$12,000 before any relief is available to our company. The fuel surcharge should remain in effect for the haulers whose fuel costs are a higher percentage of their total cost. I believe the Commission has tools to deal with those who may abuse this or other policies.

Thanking you for your consideration. Ed Rubatino