BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

THE DISPOSAL GROUP, INC., d/b/a Vancouver Sanitary Service, and Twin City Sanitary Service, a Washington Corporation (G-65),

Complainant,

v.

WASTE MANAGEMENT DISPOSAL

SERVICES OF OREGON, INC., d/b/a

Oregon Waste Systems, a Delaware

Corporation; and T & G TRUCKING

& FREIGHT CO., an Oregon

Corporation,

Respondents.

DOCKET NO. TG-941154

AMENDED NOTICE
OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE
(October 4, 1994)

NOTICE OF BRIEF ADJUDICATION (October 7, 1994)

NOTICE OF SHORTENED TIME FOR FILING ANSWERS

On August 31, 1994, The Disposal Group, Inc., d/b/a Vancouver Sanitary Service and Twin City Sanitary Service (TDG), filed a formal complaint pursuant to RCW 81.04.110 and WAC 480-09-420(5) against Respondent Waste Management Disposal Services of Oregon, Inc., d/b/a Oregon Waste Systems (OWS). The complaint alleged that OWS is hauling solid waste over the public highways of this state without first having obtained a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Commission, in unincorporated areas of Clark County in which the complainant is one of two exclusive certified haulers of solid waste.

The Commission has the authority under RCW 81.04.110 to hear complaints by public service companies against other public service companies and complaints by public service companies against persons or entities acting as a public service companies.

Pursuant to WAC 480-09-500, the Commission determined that a brief adjudicative proceeding is appropriate for resolving the issues raised in the complaint. It designated as presiding officer, Hearings Examiner John Prusia, telephone number (206) 586-1108.

OWS filed an answer to the complaint on September 21, 1994.

On September 22, 1994, the Commission served upon the parties to the original complaint a Notice of Prehearing Conference and Notice of Brief Adjudication. That notice is superseded by this notice. The prehearing conference scheduled in that notice for October 3 is vacated.

On September 28, 1994, TDG amended its complaint to add a second respondent, T & G Trucking & Freight Co. (T & G). The amended complaint alleges that OWS and/or T & G are transporting solid waste over the public highways of this state, in territory in which the complainant is one of two exclusive certified haulers of solid waste, without first having obtained a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Commission. The amended complaint alleges specifically that the transportation is from or near 6200 Old Lower Road, Vancouver, Washington, to Columbia Ridge Landfill in Arlington, Oregon.

The amended complaint is on file in the Commission's offices. It will be served on the respondents.

Statutes and rules involved include those within chapter 480-09 WAC, specifically WAC 480-09-420, -425, and -500, those included within chapter 480-70 WAC, specifically WAC 480-70-050 and -070, and those included within chapter 480-12 WAC. Statutes invoked include RCW 81.04.110, RCW 81.77.040, and RCW 81.80.070. The ultimate issue is whether the transportation in question is exempt from state regulation.

#### AMENDED NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

In order to expedite the proceeding, the Commission requests that the parties consult among themselves with a view to developing a stipulated factual record for decision, and report on that discussion no later than the time of the prehearing conference set below.

The Commission establishes a telephonic prehearing conference to be held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 4, 1994, unless changed by the Secretary of the Commission or the presiding officer. The prehearing conference will be via a conference bridge call. The Commission's conference bridge number is (206) 664-3846. An explanation of the conference bridge calling system is enclosed. Each party shall designate its attorney or other representative for the prehearing conference, and the representative's telephone number, by Monday, October 3, 1994.

### NOTICE OF BRIEF ADJUDICATION

The Commission sets the time and place for oral presentations on the issues as Friday, October 7, 1994, beginning at the hour of 10:00 a.m. in room 140 in the Commission's headquarters offices at 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington 98504, unless changed by the Secretary of the Commission or the presiding officer.

#### NOTICE OF SHORTENED TIME FOR FILING ANSWERS

The Commission directs under WAC 480-09-425(3)(c) that answers to the amended complaint, if any, be filed with the Commission, and served on the parties, not later than Thursday, October 6, 1994. The Commission waives its rule prohibiting filings by telefacsimile device for these pleadings only.

The names and mailing addresses of the parties and their known representatives are as follows:

Complainant:

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Respondent:

Waste Management Disposal Services of Oregon, Inc.

c/o CT Corporation System,

Registered Agent 520 Pike Street Seattle, WA 98101

Representative:

William K. Rasmussen
Davis Wright Tremaine
2600 Century Square
1501 Fourth Avenue

Seattle, WA 98101-1688

Respondent:

T & G Trucking & Freight Co.

Oregon Registered Agent:

Barton C. Bobbitt

4386 S.W. MacAdam, Suite 401

Portland, OR 97201

Representative:

Unknown

Commission Staff: It is expected that the Staff of the Commission will appear in this proceeding through the Office of the Attorney General, Heritage Plaza Building, 1400 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, WA 98504-0128, (206) 753-2281.

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective this 29th day of September 1994.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

JOHN PRUSIA

Hearings Examiner

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