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Dennis J. Moss Administrative Law Judge Utilities and Transportation Commission Administrative Law Division 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Murrey's Disposal Company, Inc., G-9 v. Waste Management of Washington, Inc., G-237 (Docket No. TG-030673)

Dear Mr. Moss:

Re:

In a telephone conversation with opposing counsel Dave Wiley last evening, I realized that, in the throes of determining an agreed-upon process for presenting evidence and handling discovery at the prehearing conference last week I had overlooked the issue of waiving the initial order in this proceeding. You may recall that the opening position of both Mr. Wiley and myself was to decline the opportunity to waive the initial order, because that is the process with which we are most familiar. After our break, when Mr. Wiley summarized the negotiated process for prefiling testimony, he also indicated his willingness to waive the initial order. I was, however, focused on the issues regarding discovery, and simply failed to register the change in Mr. Wiley's position or the need to respond on the matter.

I am sending this letter, therefore, to state my continued desire to have both an initial and final order, with apologies to all for my oversight. Mr. Wiley has told me that he would still waive the initial order, but has no objection to my belated request. I recall that neither Mr. Sells nor Ms. Tennyson expressed any position at all on the matter.

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My preference is based solely on my limited experience in prior hearings. Having acknowledged my lack of familiarity with complaint proceedings at the prehearing conference, I'd like to retain the initial order process as something with which I am familiar. I pledge to be more attentive during the remainder of this proceeding, and hope that this request will be acceptable to you despite its tardiness.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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