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RE: Waste Management of Washington, Inc. - Recycling Commodity Credits
(Docket Numbers TG-090760 and TG-090761)

Dear Mr. Danner:

On behalf of King County (County), this letter is to support the request made by Waste Management of Washington, Inc. ("WMW") for an extension of the company's current recycling commodity credits for Waste Management Sno-King Tariff No. 14 (Docket TG-090760) and Waste Management – South Sound and Waste Management of Seattle Tariff No. 21 (Docket TG-090761). The extension has been requested so that the County and WMW may finalize negotiations on a new revenue sharing agreement.

Last year, WMW applied to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) for a tariff enabling the company to retain thirty percent of the revenue it received from the sale of recyclable materials collected from residential and multi-family customers in the County, for the purposes of implementing the recycling revenue-sharing plan certified by the County, as permitted by RCW 81.77.185. WUTC's approvals required WMW to make this year's commodity adjustment filing forty-five days prior to the proposed effective date, for an effective date of July 1, 2010.

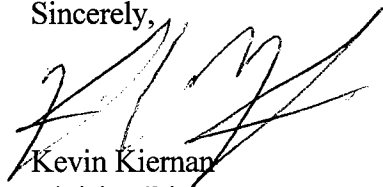
As stated by WMW in its correspondence to WUTC dated May 17, 2010, the company was not able to meet the deadline imposed by the WUTC's orders because a new recycling revenue sharing plan is not finalized. WMW and the County have been working together to prepare a revenue sharing plan for the 2010 – 2011 period. However, WMW and the County are now analyzing data about the company's 2009 - 2010 performance, and that analysis is necessary to finalize the new plan.

We therefore intend to extend the provisions of the existing 2009 - 2010 plan. We request that WUTC extend the period for WMW's existing recycling commodity trackers that were approved in 2009, and allow those trackers to remain in place until new ones are approved under the terms of a new revenue-sharing plan. We expect to finalize a new plan that will enable WMW to make a filing by June 15, 2010. However, if we are unable to reach agreement by June 15, we request that WUTC allow an additional 30-day extension with a filing deadline of July 15, 2010.

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Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Reed at 206-296-4402 or bill.reed@kingcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin Kiernan', written over a faint, larger signature.

Kevin Kiernan
Division Director