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Honorable Lawrence J. Berg
Administrative Law Judge
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. TG-021359

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STATE OF WASH.
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Dear Judge Berg:

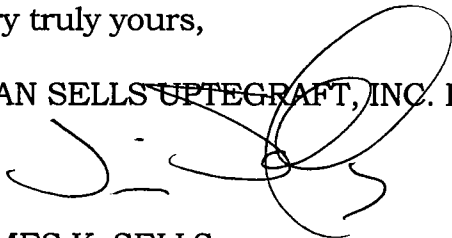
Please be advised that Empire Disposal and Waste Management of Washington have reached an agreement in principle on the issues relative to this application. We believe the procedure will be for three filings to be made; a transfer from WMI to Empire, a transfer from Empire to WMI, and an extension application by WMI.

After docketing and staff review, we anticipate that WMI will withdraw its protest, and Empire would amend its application to conform to the parties' agreement. We anticipate filing the appropriate applications within the next two weeks.

Therefore, we request that the April 10, 2003 prehearing conference be continued for at least 45 days, which will allow for the docketing protest period to run and for staff to review the various filings.

Very truly yours,

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