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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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Subject: Waste Management – South Sound and Waste Management – Seattle, divisions of Waste Management of Washington, Inc.(G-237); Tariff #24 – TG-210884

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Order 01 in TG-201013 required that above-referenced company file with the Commission a tariff revision adding the labor associated with the Revenue Share Program (RSA) to recycling rates and remove those labor costs from the RSA no later than December 31, 2021.

We have complied with this order as it relates to removing these costs from the RSA and we attempted to do so by adding these costs to the recycling rates as originally filed. However, upon Staff's review they determined that we would have to send out separate notices to customers 30 days in advance to inform them of this minor rate change. We were unaware of this requirement as the overall rate change to customers was actually a rate decrease due to the significant increase in the commodity rebate, and accordingly determined that a separate rate notice was not necessary or required.

Unfortunately, Staff did not agree with the company's position and is requiring us to send out these notices. Due to the impacts to our customer service center which would be significant if we were to send out these notices immediately after the other rate changes reflected in this filing, we do not wish to request this minor rate increase at this time. Accordingly, we have removed the proposed rate increase in the collection rates and request that the Commission grant a waiver from the Order 01 requiring the company to add labor costs to rates at this time.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (206) 954-3831.

Very truly yours,

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