BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Docket No. TG-080913 (consolidated) Complainant, VS. POINTS RECYCLING AND REFUSE, LLC, Respondent. *********** Docket No. TG-081089 WHATCOM COUNTY, (consolidated) Complainant, VS. POINTS RECYCLING AND REFUSE, LLC, Respondent. *********** RENEE COE, SHELLEY DAMEWOOD and Docket No. TG-082129 SHANNON TOMSEN, (consolidated) Complainants, vs. WHATCOM COUNTY'S POINTS RECYCLING AND REFUSE, LLC **DECLARATION RE: MEDIATION** and WHATCOM COUNTY, CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT Respondents.

Pursuant to this Commission's Notice of March 30, 2009, I, Daniel Gibson, submit the following Declaration:

I am over the age of eighteen and otherwise competent to make this Declaration.

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I am the Assistant Chief Civil Deputy for Whatcom County. I represent Whatcom County in the above-referenced matter.

To the best of my knowledge, having spoken with particular persons who may have some knowledge of this matter, neither Whatcom County officials nor employees have discussed the substance of the mediation in the above-entitled matter with anyone other than themselves, nor have they provided any documents arising from the mediation process to any party outside of that process. I believe that I am the only person in the County who received the mediation summary prepared and sent by Judge Rendahl. I have not provided that to anyone else, nor have I spoken or written about the substance of the mediation to anyone other than: 1) the several officials and employees of my client Whatcom County who were necessarily informed given their positions with the County, and 2) the other parties to the mediation.

The only discussion by any County official or employee with the media of which I am aware that pertained to the mediation in this matter occurred between Jon Hutchings, our Associate Director of Public Works, and a reporter for the All Points Bulletin, during which Jon simply stated to the reporter that he was not in a position to discuss the mediation due to the confidentiality agreement, and did not discuss the mediation with her any further. The reporter informed him that she had in her possession the judge's written summary of the mediation. She did not tell him from whom she had received the document. Jon related the substance of this conversation to me immediately after it occurred because of his concern about the apparent breach by someone of the confidentiality requirements for the mediation.

I certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of Washington, that the above is a true and correct statement.

DATED this 3 d day of April, 2009.

DANIEL L. GIBSON, WSBA #11036

Assistant Chief Civil Deputy

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Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 3, 2009, I caused to be served the original and five (5) copies of the foregoing document to the following address via first class mail to:

Dave Danner, WUTC Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. S.W. PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

I certify that I also provided to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's Secretary an official electronic file containing the foregoing document via email to: records@wutc.wa.gov.

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I swear under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED at Bellingham, WA this 3rd day of April, 2009.

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