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August 24, 2012

David W. Danner, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

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Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Pullman Disposal Service, Inc.*

Commission Staff’s Response to Application for Mitigation of Penalties;
Staff Request for a Hearing

Docket TG-121205

Dear Mr. Danner:

On July 26, 2012, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission assessed a $2,300 penalty against Pullman Disposal Service, Inc., (Pullman Disposal) for violations of WAC 480-70-236(1) related to improper billing.

On August 3, Pullman Disposal filed an Application for Mitigation of Penalties. Although the company requested a hearing, it failed to provide a basis for its request. On August 16, the commission denied the company’s request for a hearing, but afforded the company the opportunity to submit a written explanation supporting its request to mitigate the penalty. On August 20, Pullman Disposal submitted its written explanation.

Staff respectfully requests that the commission schedule a hearing to facilitate settlement discussions that may address mitigation of the penalty. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sharon Wallace, Assistant Director

Consumer Protection and Communications