[Service Date January 10, 2012] BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	DOCKET TG-112025
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SPARTAN ENVIRONMENTAL LLC		
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For a Certificate of Public Convenience)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
and Necessity to Operate Motor)	CONFERENCE
Vehicles in Furnishing Solid Waste)	(Set for February 1, 2012,
Collection Service)	at 1:30 p.m.)
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- On November 21, 2011, Spartan Environmental LLC (Spartan), filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor vehicles in furnishing solid waste collection service consisting of bio-hazardous and biomedical waste in the state of Washington. Notice of the Application was published in the Commission's weekly Docket on November 29, 2011.
- 2 **STATUTORY AUTHORITY**: The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under RCW Title 81, and has legal authority to regulate persons seeking to furnish solid waste collection services under RCW 81.77 and WAC 480-70. The statutes that apply to this matter include RCW 80.01, RCW 81.04, RCW 81.28, and RCW 81.77, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040, RCW 81.04.020, and RCW 81.77.040.
- The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), particularly Part IV of RCW 34.05 relating to adjudications. The provisions of the APA that relate to this proceeding include, but are not limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW 34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in WAC 480-07 in this proceeding.
- 4 The issues in this proceeding include whether the issuance of a certificate to Spartan for the service it proposes is necessary and is otherwise consistent with the public interest, and whether other carriers are authorized to serve in the territory requested.
- 5 THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a prehearing conference in this matter at 1:30 p.m., on February 1, 2012, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

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- 6 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention, resolve scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence and workpapers, to identify the issues in the proceeding and determine other matters to assist the Commission in resolving the matter, as listed in WAC 480-07-430.
- 7 **INTERVENTION:** Persons who wish to intervene should file a petition to intervene in writing at least three business days before the date of the prehearing conference. *See* WAC 480-07-355(a). The Commission will consider oral petitions to intervene during the conference, but strongly prefers written petitions to intervene. Party representatives must file a notice of appearance with the Commission no later than the business day before the conference. *See* WAC 480-07-345(2). Any party or witness in need of an interpreter or other assistance should fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission. The Commission will set the time and place for any evidentiary hearings at the prehearing conference, on the record of a later conference or hearing session, or by later written notice.
- 8 THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that any party who fails to attend or participate in the prehearing conference set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.
- 9 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

Applicant:	Spartan Environmental LLC 5555 N. Channel Avenue Building 80 Portland, OR 97217 (503) 283-8200 sales@spartan-environmental.com
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Protestants:	Washington Refuse & Recycling Association 4160 - 6 th Avenue SE Suite 205 Lacey, WA 98503
	Rubatino Refuse Removal, Inc. 2812 Hoyt Avenue P.O. Box 1029 Everett, WA 98206-1029
	Consolidated Disposal Services, Inc. 2370 Basin S.W. P.O. Box 1154 Ephrata, WA 98823-1154
	Murrey's Disposal, Inc. P.O. Box 399 Puyallup, WA 98371
	Pullman Disposal Service, Inc. 135 NW Harold Pullman, WA 99163
Representative:	James K. Sells Attorney at Law PMB 22 3110 Judson St. Gig Harbor, WA 98335 (360) 981-0168 jamessells@comcast.net
Protestant:	Stericycle of Washington, Inc. 20320 80 th Avenue S. Kent, WA 98032

Representatives:	Stephen B. Johnson Jared Van Kirk Garvey Schubert Barer 1191 Second Avenue, Suite 1800 Seattle, WA 98101 (206) 464-3939 <u>sjohnson@gsblaw.com</u> <u>jvankirk@gsblaw.com</u>
Protestant:	Waste Management of Washington, Inc. d/b/a WM Healthcare Solutions of Washington 13225 NE 126 th Place Kirkland, WA 98034
Representative:	Polly L. McNeill Summit Law Group PLLC 315 Fifth Avenue S, Suite 1000 Seattle, WA 98104 (206) 676-7040 pollym@summitlaw.com

- 10 Administrative Law Judge Martin Lovinger, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.
- 11 The Commission will give parties notice of any other procedural phase of the proceeding in writing or on the record, as appropriate during this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective January 10, 2012.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DAVID W. DANNER Executive Director and Secretary

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Inquiries may be addressed to:

Executive Director and Secretary Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission Richard Hemstad Building 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 (360) 664-1160

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Hearing facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Smoking is prohibited. If limited English-speaking, hearing-impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: David W. Danner, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

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