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Ms. Kathy Hunter
Acting Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
PO Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Dear Ms. Hunter,

Sound Disposal Holdings, Inc. dba Sound Disposal, Inc. (G-82) is filing this general rate case to increase its tariff rates due to increased operating costs. Supporting workpapers, as required by WAC 480-07-520, are enclosed, along with a new proposed Tariff 14 and proposed customers notices. This case is being submitted earlier than required, providing staff with additional time to complete its analysis prior to the requested effective date.

If approved by the commission, the proposed rates will generate approximately \$298,000 (16.8 percent) in additional annual revenue. The company is requesting this increase because it has continued to experience increased operating costs, such as wages, rent, repairs and maintenance, and supplies, as well as continuing post-pandemic inflation.

The company serves approximately 1,750 residential customers and approximately 550 multifamily and commercial customers in the City of Edmonds and Snohomish County. The requested effective date for this tariff revision is December 1, 2023.

Portions of this rate submittal are considered confidential under WAC 480-07-160 because it contains valuable competitive cost and financial commercial information. Redacted and non-redacted copies of these documents are provided where appropriate.

A copy of this transmittal letter is being mailed to the Snohomish County Executive, Dave Somers, and City of Edmonds Mayor, Mike Nelson.

Please send any questions to me at ann@kalahikiconsulting.com or call 360.561.9717.

Sincerely,

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