Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Attn: David W. Danner, Executive Director and Secretary

1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr., SW

Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Point Recycling & Refuse LLC – 091685 Application for Expedited Temporary Cert/Pmt

 Point Recycling & Refuse LLC – 091686 Application for Temporary Cert/Pmt

 Point Recycling & Refuse LLC – 091687 Certificate of Public Convenience

Dear Mr. Danner:

I am writing to urge granting of the above certificates to Point Recycling and Refuse submitted on October 23.

While there is another company applying for the residential curbside garbage pick-up and curbside recycling, these applications are to provide other service than that.

I find this idea to be a very good idea … breaking the service into two distinct services and having two providers of the different services, each having only part of the “business”.

The initial complaint was that Points Recycling was not providing curbside recycling. It appears from these applications now before the commission, Point Recycling is not applying to become the curbside recycler & refuse collector.

It would then leave residents in the community to have a way to select what service they wish to have. The other company has submitted paperwork that outlines a way to profitability with the curbside service. Points Recycling & Refuse tried for 5 years to be profitable, found they could not, so has no interest in that service. Several former customers of Point Recycling & Refuse have asked Mr. Wilkoski and his employee to reconsider re-entering the market, if not curbside, then as a provider of the special services.

This seems like a temporary solution to the problem of any single company trying to be profitable by running all aspects of solid waste disposal at Point Roberts, a geographically unique community.

I believe the county would then have time to put together a realistic plan for our community, taking into account the very unique problems here.

I urge granting of the above certificates. Even I, a disabled lady, have been able to arrange self-haul of my household garbage. But I do need some special services soon as I demolish and haul away an old manufactured house on my property. In that case, I will need the service Point Recycling is applying for. That is not something I can self-haul.

Thank you.

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