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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In Re Application of Waste
Management of Washington,
Inc. d/b/a WM Healthcare
Solutions of Washington

Docket TG-120033

Exhibit No. _____ (DF-1T)

PREFILED TESTIMONY OF DEVON
FELSTED AND EXHIBITS OF
PULLMAN DISPOSAL SERVICE

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Devon Felsted, President of Pullman Disposal Service, will testify that the company holds Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Certificate G-42 and provides full solid waste service in the territory covered by the Certificate, which is the City of Pullman and some surrounding areas, all in Whitman County. This includes medical waste services. Pullman, thus, is in competition with Stericycle by reason of Stericycle's statewide authority. The entry of a third service provider in this small area would result in a diminution of the limited customer base further, and would threaten Pullman's ability to continue to provide medical waste services.

TESTIMONY (WITNESS DEVON FELSTED)

- Q. State your name and employment.**
- A. Devon Felsted; I am President of Pullman Disposal.

1 **Q. Are you authorized to testify on behalf of Pullman Disposal in**
2 **this proceeding?**

3 A. Yes.

4 **Q. What is the business of Pullman Disposal?**

5 A. We are a WUTC certificated solid waste collection company;
6 holder of Certificate G-42, which covers the City of Pullman and some
7 surrounding area, all in Whitman County.

8 **Q. Is Exhibit DF-2 a true copy of that Certificate?**

9 A. Yes.

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11 **Q. Do you operate to the full extent permitted by your**
12 **Certificate?**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. Do you provide medical waste collection service?**

15 A. Yes.

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17 **Q. Do you have equipment dedicated to that purpose?**

18 A. Yes.

19 **Q. Is Exhibit DF-3 a depreciation schedule which lists that**
20 **equipment?**

21 A. Yes.

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23 **Q. Does the equipment meet the rules and regulations relating**
24 **to medical waste carriage set out by the WUTC and any other applicable**
25 **agency?**

26 A. Yes.

1 **Q. How many drivers are engaged in collection of medical**
2 **waste?**

3 A. One, who does not spend full time on medical waste.

4 **Q. Is that driver trained in safety procedures regarding the**
5 **collection and transportation of medical waste?**

6 A. Yes.

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8 **Q. How many medical waste customers do you presently serve?**

9 A. Fourteen.

10 **Q. Does Pullman have the ability to serve more customers?**

11 A. Yes.

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13 **Q. Does that include the ability to acquire additional equipment**
14 **and/or hire personnel if necessary?**

15 A. Yes.

16 **Q. Did you ask a CPA to prepare a summary of Pullman's**
17 **medical waste business?**

18 A. Yes. Robert Cole, who has been our regulatory accountant for
19 many years and handles our rate filings with the WUTC.

20 **Q. Is Exhibit DF-4 what he prepared?**

21 A. Yes.

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23 **Q. Was it prepared under your supervision and at your**
24 **direction?**

25 A. Yes.

1 **Q. Does it correctly summarize Pullman's medical waste**
2 **operations?**

3 A. Yes.

4 **Q. What facility do you use for disposal?**

5 A. We use Stericycle. We transport waste to our facility where it is
6 safely and securely stored until picked up by Stericycle and transported to
7 their facility in Morton.

8 **Q. Are you satisfied with this arrangement?**

9 A. Yes. It works well for us, and is cost effective for our customers.

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11 **Q. Has Pullman received any citations or any other notice of**
12 **regulatory misconduct from any state or local agency in the past five**
13 **years?**

14 A. No.

15 **Q. Would the granting of this application have a potential**
16 **adverse effect on your medical waste business?**

17 A. Yes. We have a small customer base, virtually all of which are
18 small independent generators. If we were to lose any portion of that base, we
19 may well be placed in a situation where we would have to seek a rate increase,
20 or even be forced to abandon our medical waste service; neither of which
21 would, I believe, be in the best interests of these small generators or future
22 customers.

23 **Q. Does that conclude your testimony?**

24 A. Yes.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served this document upon all parties of record in this proceeding, by the method as indicated below, pursuant to WAC 480-07-150.

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DATED at Silverdale, Washington, this 25th day of September 2012.


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This certificate authorizes the following operations under the provisions of RCW Title 81:
PULLMAN DISPOSAL SERVICE, INC. Cert No.
135 NW HAROLD G-42
PULLMAN, WA 99163

GARBAGE AND WASTE MATERIAL COLLECTION SERVICE In the City of Pullman and in that portion of Whitman County described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Section 24, T. 15 N., R. 45 E.; thence west along the north line of said Section 24 extended to the Northwest corner of Section 22, T. 15 N., R. 44 E.; thence south along the west line of said Section 22 extended to the Southwest corner of Section 22, T. 14 N., R. 44 E.; thence east along the south line of said Section 22 to the Southeast corner of said Section 22; thence, south along the extended east line of said Section 22 extended to the Southwest corner of Section 35, T. 14 N., R. 44 E.; thence east along the 1*** south line of said Section 35 extended to the Southeast corner of Section 33, T. 14 N., R. 45 E.; thence north along the east line of said Section 33 extended to the Southwest corner of Section 22, T. 14 N., R. 45 E.; thence east on the south line of said Section 22 extended to the Southeast corner of Section 24, T. 14 N., R. 45 E.; thence north along the east line of said Section 24 extended to the Northeast corner of Section 24, T. 15 N., R. 45 E., the point of beginning.

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**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**



By _____

Pullman First Day Test Yr.
 Depreciation Sched.

Asset	Life	Acq. Date	Cost	Salv	Net	Ann'l Depr
#17 Trailer Med Waste	7	2/29/1996	4586	20.00%	3669	524
#17 Canopy - Med Wst	7	3/31/1996	932	0.00%	932	133
Total Med Wst Equip			5518		4600.8	

Pullman Disposal Service, Inc. G-42
Summary of Medical Waste Information 2011

1. Annual Medical Waste Revenue	\$ 9,465
2. Number of customers	14
3. Volume each container	32 gallon, 1 gallon 5 quart, 1.5 quart
4. Rate charged each collection	(1)32 gallon-\$37.00 (2)32 gallon-\$66.60 (2)1 gallon-\$13.16 5 quart-\$12.95 1.5 quart-\$13.16
5. Depreciation schedule	enclosed
6. Overhead charges: methodology, as applicable	last approved UTC rate case % Revenue # customers # Man hours
7. Common charges: methodology, as applicable	direct last approved UTC rate case % Revenue # customers # Man hours
8. Affiliated interest activity	direct n/a
9. Affiliated contracts	n/a
10. Annual UTC Report	enclosed
11. Annual volume	1.35 tons
12. Volume/ per county	all Whitman Co.
13. Facility delivered to	all Stericycle facility
14. Number of customers	14
15. Number of customers/affiliated facility	n/a
16. Customer complaint info.	n/a
17. UTC regulation violations	n/a
18. Advertising	n/a
19. Containers provided	n/a
20. Recycled biomedical waste	n/a