

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. \_\_\_\_\_ (MW-1T)

PREFILED TESTIMONY OF MARK WASH  
AND EXHIBITS OF CONSOLIDATED  
DISPOSAL SERVICES, INC.

**SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY**

Mark Wash, Vice President and General Manager of Consolidated Disposal Services, Inc., will testify that Consolidated holds Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity G-190 which provides for solid waste collection service in portions of Grant and Adams Counties. Consolidated provides full services within its territory if the need arises. This is essentially a rural area, and the addition of a third medical waste service provider would dilute the customer base for this service and threaten Consolidated's ability to serve its customers at the current tariff rate.

**TESTIMONY (WITNESS MARK WASH)**

**Q. State your name and your employment.**

A. Mark Wash, Vice President and General Manager, Consolidated Disposal Services, Inc.

1           **Q.    Where is Consolidated located?**

2           A.    Ephrata, Washington, in Grant County.

3           **Q.    Are you authorized to testify on behalf of Consolidated?**

4           A.    Yes.

5           **Q.    What is the business of Consolidated?**

6           A.    We are a certificated solid waste collection company; we hold  
7 WUTC Certificate No. G-190, which covers portions of Grant and Adams  
8 Counties.

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10          **Q.    Is Exhibit MW-2 a true copy of that Certificate?**

11          A.    Yes.

12          **Q.    Does Consolidated provide solid waste collection services  
13 throughout this territory?**

14          A.    Yes.

15          **Q.    Does that include collection and transportation of medical  
16 waste?**

17          A.    Yes, primarily in Grant County.

18          **Q.    Do you have equipment dedicated to medical waste?**

19          A.    Yes. A 2009 Chevrolet truck.

20          **Q.    Is Exhibit MW-3 the depreciation schedule for that vehicle?**

21          A.    Yes.

22          **Q.    Does that vehicle comply with all the safety and other rules  
23 and regulations of the WUTC and any other regulatory body?**

24          A.    Yes.

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2 **Q. Do you have an employee or employees assigned to medical**  
3 **waste collection?**

4 A. Yes, one driver on a part-time basis.

5 **Q. Is that person trained in medical waste safety procedures?**

6 A. Yes.

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

9 A. Approximately 69.

10 **Q. Does Consolidated have the ability to serve more medical**  
11 **waste customers, including the purchase of new equipment and/or**  
12 **adding personnel?**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. Is Exhibit MW-4 a summary of your medical waste business?**

15 A. Yes.

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17 **Q. By whom was it prepared?**

18 A. Our CPA, Robert Cole, who does our regulatory accounting and  
19 rate filings.

20 **Q. Did he use information supplied by you or your staff?**

21 A. Yes.

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23 **Q. Was it prepared under your direction?**

24 A. Yes.

25 **Q. Is the information on the exhibit accurate?**

26 A. Yes.

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2 **Q. What is your disposal method?**

3 A. We use Stericycle. The waste is brought to our facility and stored  
4 in a locked, secure area. Stericycle picks it up from our facility and, I believe,  
5 transports it for disposal at its facility in Morton, Washington.

6 **Q. Is this a satisfactory arrangement?**

7 A. Yes. It works well for us as it eliminates the need for our  
8 employee to make a "long haul," and we are assured that the waste is being  
9 properly handled and disposed of.

10 **Q. Has Consolidated received any citations from the WUTC or**  
11 **other agency related to medical waste in the past five years?**

12 A. No.

13 **Q. Would the granting of this application potentially have an**  
14 **adverse effect on your ability to serve medical waste generators?**

15 A. Yes. Medical waste obviously is a relatively small part of our  
16 overall business. However, we believe we have the obligation pursuant to our  
17 permit authority to provide the service at tariff rates. There is a limited  
18 number of generators in this area which, other than Ephrata and Moses Lake,  
19 is largely rural. There is already a second medical waste service provider in  
20 the area (Stericycle), and the addition of a third competitor could, and  
21 probably would, diminish our customer count to the point we would have to  
22 seek to raise rates or even withdraw from providing the service. We do not  
23 want to do either as neither would be in the best interests of our customers.

24 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

25 A. Yes.  
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**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 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012.

  
 Cheryl L. Sinclair

**WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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**OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250**

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**This certificate authorizes the following operations under the provisions of RCW Title 81:**

**CONSOLIDATED DISPOSAL SERVICES, INC.**

**Cert No.**

**2370 BASIN S.W.**

**G-190**

**PO BOX 1154**

**EPHRATA, WA 98823-1154**

**GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE** in that portion of Grant and Adams Counties described as follows: Beginning at the S.E. corner of Section 24, T. 14 N., R. 27 E.; thence west along the south line of said Section 24 extended to the east bank of the Columbia River; thence following said river bank in a northerly and westerly direction to the point of intersection with the west line of Section 31, T. 14 N., R. 26 E.; thence north along the west line of said Section 31 extended to the S.E. corner of Section 12, T. 16 N., R. 25 E.; thence west along the south line of said Section 12 extended to the S.W. corner of Section 8, T. 16 N., R. 24 E.; thence north along the west line of said Section 8 extended to the S.E. corner of Section 30, T. 18 N., R. 24 E.; thence west along the south line of said Section 30 extended to the S.W. corner of Section 28, T. 18 N., R. 23 E.; thence north along the west line of said Section 28 extended to the N.W. corner of Section 28, T. 19 N., R. 23 E.; thence east along the north line of said Section 28 extended to the S.W. corner of Section 19, T. 19 N., R. 24 E.; thence north along the west line of said Section 19 extended to the S.E. corner of Section 1, T. 19 N., R. 23 E.; thence west along the south line of said Section 1 extended to the S.W. corner of Section 5, T. 19 N., R. 23 E.; thence north along the west line of said Section 5 to the N.W. corner of said Section 5; thence west along the extended north line of Section 5 to the east bank of the Columbia River; thence north along the east bank of the Columbia River to the intersection with the west line of Section 18, T. 20 N., R. 23 E.; thence north along the west line of said Section 18 extended to the N.W. corner of Section 18, T. 21 N., R. 23 E., (also the Douglas-Grant County Line); thence east and north along the county line to the N.W. corner of Section 6, T. 22 N., R. 24 E.; thence east along the north line of said Section 6 extended to the N.E. corner of Section 1, T. 22 N., R. 30 E.; thence south along the east line of said Section 1 extended to the N.W. corner of Section 6, T. 19 N., R. 31 E.; thence east along the north line of said Section 6 extended to the N.E. corner of Section 1, T. 19 N., R. 32 E.; thence south along the east line of said Section 1 extended to the S.E. corner of Section 36, T. 15 N., R. 32 E.; thence west along the south line of said Section 36 extended to the N.E. corner of Section 1, T. 14 N., R. 27 E.; thence south along the east line of said Section 1 extended to the S.E. corner of Section 24, T. 14 N., R. 27 E.; the point of beginning. (excluding Sections 28, 29, 32, 33 of T. 19 N., R. 24 E., and Sections 5 and 6 of T. 18 N., R. 24 E.)

**EXCLUSION:** Service is not authorized in the City of Moses Lake.

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION**



By \_\_\_\_\_

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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The following authority was obtained by transfer of Certificate No. G-165, standing in the name of Dahl-Smyth, Inc.

**GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE** in that portion of Grant County described as follows: Commencing at the S.W. corner of Sec. 35 T. 23 N., R. 26 E.; thence Northerly following the Grant County Westerly boundary extended to the N.E. corner of Sec. 1, T. 26 N., R. 28 E., thence East along the North line of Township 26 N. extending to the N.E. corner of Sec. 1, T. 26 N., R. 30 E., thence South along the East line of said Section 1 extended to the S.E. Corner of Sec. 36, T. 23 N., R. 30 E.; thence West along the South line of said Section 36 extended to the S.W. Corner of Sec. 35, T. 23 N., R. 26 E. the point of beginning.

10-29-07

Consolidated Disposal		Depreciation Schedule								
DESCRIPTION	Yr	Mo	Date in Service	Salvage Value %	Meth Life	Year Fully Depr.	Asset Cost	Depreciable Cost	Monthly Depr.	Test year Depr.
2009 Chevy Flatbed	1	0%	SL	7	2017	24,035	24,035	286	3,434	



**Consolidated Disposal Svcs, Inc. G-190**

Summary of Medical Waste Information 2011

1. Annual Medical Waste Revenue	\$ 110,887
2. Number of customers	69
3. Volume each container	20,21,28,48 gallon
4. Rate charged each collection	\$2.00 gallon (10-35 gal) \$1.90 gallon (36-50 gal) \$1.80 gallon (51-75 gal)
5. Depreciation schedule	enclosed
6. Overhead charges:	last approved UTC rate case
methodology, as applicable	% Revenue # customers # Man hours direct
7. Common charges:	last approved UTC rate case
methodology, as applicable	% Revenue # customers # Man hours direct
8. Affiliated interest activity	n/a
9. Affiliated contracts	n/a
10. Annual UTC Report	enclosed
11. Annual volume	42.12 tons
12. Volume/ per county	all Grant Co.
13. Facility delivered to	all Stericycle facility
14. Number of customers	69
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