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Ms Schreiber:

Section 3.6 of the Master Waste Handling and Recycling Contract allows for an annual cost of living escalator in years that the contractor hasn't applied for a general cost increase with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. This increase was eligible to become effective April 1, 2003 and we request instead this increase go into effect August 1, 2003.

The CPI index for Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton increased 2% from February 2002 through 2003 according to the federal bureau of labor statistics. Applying 2% to the current charges of \$6.84 per residence and \$45.00 per disposal tonnage results in new rates of \$6.98 per per residence and \$45.90 per disposal ton. I am filing this updated tariff page with the WUTC this week with the proposed effective date of August 1, 2003. Enclosed is a copy of the revised tariff page. Note that while the tariff effective date shows September 5, 2003 the WUTC will override that date once the page is approved under less than statutory notice handling.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 253-536-4416 or <u>johnlloyd@lemayinc.com</u>.

Respectfully,

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