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Ms. Carole Washburn **Executive Secretary** Washington Utilities and **Transportation Commission** P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re:

Docket TG 031616

Application of Waste Management

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This office represents Empire Disposal regarding the above-referenced application. I have been advised by staff that it is necessary for Empire to relinquish any rights it may have to serve an area within the application territory known as "Dishman-Mica Road to Madison Road."

Please consider this letter as Empire's relinquishment of whatever rights it may have to serve that area pursuant to Certificate G-75.

Please feel free to contact me should you require anything further from Empire.

Very truly yours.

RYAN SELLS LIPTEGRA C. P.S.

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cc: Empire Disposal, Inc.

Ms. Deborah Reynolds, WUTC

Ms. Polly McNeill