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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: Stericycle of Washington, Inc. (G-244)

Revision to Stericycle of Washington, Inc. Tariff No. 1, Items 15, 20 and 95

Dear Secretary:

We are attorneys for Stericycle of Washington, Inc. ("Stericycle") and are writing to you in that capacity. Stericycle is a biomedical waste collection company operating state-wide under the authority of Certificate No. G-244. For the reasons stated below, Stericycle respectfully requests that the Commission authorize Stericycle to publish and implement changes to Stericycle Tariff No. 1, Checksheet and Items 15, 20 and 95, as shown on the revised tariff pages enclosed with this letter.

The purposes of these changes are (1) to offer new container option under Item 95, Rates for Collection and Transportation of Biomedical Waste in Reusable Sharps Containers, for customers who participate in Stericycle's reusable sharps container program; (2) to specify the weight limit for this new container in Item 15; (3) to revise Item 20 to further clarify that Stericycle will not accept improperly packaged or labeled waste or any waste other than biomedical waste, as suggested by Commission staff; and (4) to provide a more appropriate definition of "radioactive material" in Item 20 (paragraph 8.e), as suggested by Commission staff.

Because the proposed change to Item 95 is for the purpose of offering a new container size -- a new service option -- and the other changes proposed are either necessary to specify a weight limit for the new container or mere editorial changes for clarification of existing rules, Stericycle requests that the Commission authorize it to implement the proposed tariff changes on seven (7) days notice to the Commission under WAC 480-70-262.

Because the proposed tariff changes involve the addition of a new service option and mere editorial clarification (without substantive change) of existing rules, no notice to customers prior to implementation is planned.



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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need additional information or clarification about the proposed tariff changes.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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