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September 14, 2012

David Danner, Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
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Re: Mason County Garbage Company  
Comment by Mason County in Support of Revenue Retention

Dear Mr. Danner:

I am the "Acting" Mason County Solid Waste Manager and write in that capacity to certify Mason County Garbage Company's compliance with the local Solid Waste Management Plan. The County's Plan outlines the recycling strategies the County and our local hauler will work collaboratively to provide for the residents of the Mason County community. The proposed plan for revenue sharing demonstrates, through various, multiple methods, how the revenues will be used to increase recycling in order for Mason County Garbage to qualify for the 30% revenue share retention authorized by state law.

Mason County Garbage has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the County that its solid waste and recycling collection system in 2011 and 2012 has achieved the goals and objectives outlined in the Solid Waste Management Plan, the Revenue Sharing Plan and the applicable Mason County Ordinance, #147-08 which is adopted in the County Code as chapter 13.30.90. The revenue share issue was reviewed in some depth and there was consensus that the hauler's obligations thereunder were being met in accordance with the approved plan. To repeat, it is the consensus of Mason County that Mason County Garbage is entitled to the full 30% revenue retention set forth in the Plan, Ordinance, and as permitted under RCW 81.77.185.

1. Mason County Garbage has complied with reporting requirements as stated in Mason County Ordinance, #147-08 which is adopted in the County Code as chapter 13.30.90.
2. Mason County Garbage has achieved an increase in recycling materials from the prior reporting period.
3. Mason County Garbage continues to assist Mason County Utilities and Waste Management with recycling glass at their transfer stations.
4. Mason County Garbage has demonstrated using their share of commodity credit to promote recycling throughout Mason County.

Dave Danner, WUTC  
MCG&R Revenue Sharing Support  
September 14, 2012

Thank you for your consideration. Accountability is important to our customers, and their satisfaction is everyone's priority. It is with this in mind that this letter is submitted. Please contact me if you have other questions or concerns, or if I can be of further assistance.

Respectfully,



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September 12, 2012

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Re: 2012-2013 Continued Revenue Share Plan Mason County Garbage

Dear John,

We wanted to take this opportunity to update you on the continued success of the curbside recycling program that Mason County Garbage first implemented in 2009. Mason County adopted Ordinance #147-08, in response to RCW 81.77.185, thus resulting in a curbside recycling program in Mason County. There was an extensive plan, implementation schedule, reporting criteria and revenue sharing agreement as part of this recycling program.

To coincide with our reported success of this program, we are also requesting that we still be considered to participate in the Revenue Sharing portion of this agreement. Per the agreement, we would be authorized to retain 30% of the commodity revenue provided certain criteria and goals were met. The revenue sharing program is broken down into three components, which we will outline and address below:

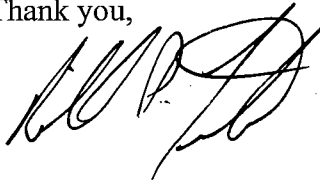
Ten percent of the commodity revenue is retained for assisting the County in recycling glass by providing hauling services, at the County transfer stations. The company continues to provide this service for the County.

Ten percent of the commodity revenue will be received for meeting or exceeding data monitoring and reporting requirements. We have collected and accurately reported recycling and garbage data. We established baseline information with which to measure the performance of this program.

The company retains ten percent of the commodity revenue for achieving and demonstrating a recycling increase of per household per month, year-over-year. Since 2009, households are recycling more material resulting in overall reduction in garbage tonnage generation. For the upcoming reporting year, 2012-2013, we will continue to promote recycling as an alternative to solid waste service and demonstrate that performance by a year to year reduction in service level and increase in recycling and frequency of pickups using as our benchmark criterion, the core service level can size of 32 gallons.

We believe we are working well with the community and Mason County to continue promotion of the program as it has evolved, and, as interpreted by the WUTC in recent months. We would request that we be allowed to continue the revenue share portion of the agreement and retain thirty percent of the revenue from commodity sales and for expenditure of funds pursuant to the proposed attached budget.

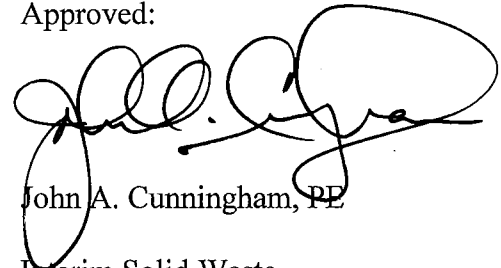
Thank you,



Richard P. Fredrickson  
Mason County Garbage

CC: Jason Hudson  
Irmgard Wilcox  
John Olnick

Approved:



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Mason County Commodity Revenue Share 2012-2013 Plan Performance Criteria

<b>Summary</b>			
Criteria	Topic	Percent Eligible	Percent Approved
A	Ongoing Implementation and Data Reporting Increased Recycle Tons per Household and reduction in solid waste service level and frequency	10%	
B	Glass Management	10%	
C		10%	
		<b>30%</b>	

<b>Criteria A Detail</b>			
Monthly Meetings	Requirement	Date	Percent Eligible / Percent Approved
	In person and/or SWAC - Monthly	4th Quarter 2012	1%
	In person and/or SWAC - Monthly	1st Quarter 2013	1%
	In person and/or SWAC - Monthly	2nd Quarter 2013	1%
	In person and/or SWAC - Monthly	3rd Quarter 2013	1%
Recycle Cart Size Option Program	Requirement	Complied? Yes/No	Percent Eligible / Percent Approved
	Maintain Program		1%
Annual Data Delivery	Requirement	Date	Percent Eligible / Percent Approved
Glass Program Tracking		September, 2013	1%
Service Change, On-call/Vacation Detail		September, 2013	1%
Customer complaint Summary & Detail		September, 2013	1%
Cart Swap Summary		September, 2013	1%
Completed Annual Report		September, 2013	1%

**Criteria B Detail**

Per Household Increases and Decreases	8/31/12-9/1/13 Baseline	Goal	Percent Eligible	Percent Approved
Increase Recycle Lbs per month per household-1%	32.25 lbs	32.57	5%	
Reduction in solid waste service level and frequency of pick-ups, based on core service level of 32 gal can size	Attached	1%	5%	
Total			10%	

To achieve the two standards set forth in Criteria B, the Company must have increased recycle pounds per year by at least 1% to be eligible for the full 5% available, and reduced overall solid waste service levels or frequency, based on a core service level of 32 gal can size, to qualify for the other 5%.

**Criteria C Detail**

	Measurement	Actual	Maximum Eligible	Percent Approved
Glass Program - Shelton Transfer Station	Manage and Haul per county		4%	
Glass Program - Belfair Transfer Station	Manage and Haul per county		2%	
Glass Program - Union Transfer Station	Manage and Haul per county		2%	
Glass Program - Hoodsport Transfer Station	Manage and Haul per county		2%	

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

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**Budgeted program costs**

**Sept 1, 2012 through Aug 31, 2013**

	Commodity Value	Commodity Retention at 30%	Company Retained
Residential			
Commodity Value	\$ 246,390	\$ 73,917	\$ 72,150
<b>Program Costs:</b>			
Mason County Blue Box Program			\$ 42,134
Glass Box - Shelton			\$ 1,500
Safeway ONP Hauls			\$ 2,314
Design work and printing new cart materials decals New materials added from 2012			\$ 13,750
Glass Hauls for County			\$ 1,432
Community Events,			\$ 1,785
Mason County Business Expo Recycle Promotion Booth			\$ 813
Radio Station Recycling Program Sponsorship			\$ 3,299
Recycling Program Supplies Purchases			\$ 1,688
<b>Total Documented Expenses to Increase Recycling</b>			<b>\$ 68,715</b>
<b>Company Retention 5%</b>			<b>\$ 3,436</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 72,150</b>

Can customers	Service Level	Count		Count		Count		Count		Count		%		%		%	
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
32ROCPU	1-32 GAL CAN-ON CALL SVC	375	445	531	564	601	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%						
20RW1	1-20 GAL CAN WEEKLY	11	16	15	14	17	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%						
32RM1	1-32 GAL MONTHLY SVC	190	188	128	217	243	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%						
32RE1	1-32 GAL CAN-EOW SVC	1201	1315	1607	1710	1652	15%	18%	22%	23%	24%						
32RE2	2-32 GAL CANS-EOW SVC	206	192	164	150	161	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%						
32RW1	1-32 GAL CAN-WEEKLY SVC	3812	3508	3373	3252	2909	48%	47%	46%	44%	42%						
32RW2	2-32 GAL CANS-WEEKLY SVC	1201	985	784	719	598	15%	13%	11%	10%	9%						
32RW3	3-32 GAL CANS-WEEKLY SVC	112	92	63	54	50	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%						
32RW4	4-32 GAL CANS-WEEKLY SVC	11	5	3	5	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%						
32RW5	5-32 GAL CANS-WEEKLY SVC	1	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%						
32RW6	6-32 GAL CANS-WEEKLY SVC	2	2	2	2	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%						
45RW1	1-45 GAL CAN-WEEKLY SVC	669	613	640	677	616	8%	8%	9%	9%	9%						
45RW2	2-45 GAL CAN -WEEKLY SVC	127	91	75	51	36	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%						
		7918	7452	7385	7415	6890	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%						



# 2008-2012 Service Level Usage - Can Customers

