



November 15, 2012

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
Chandler Plaza Building  
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Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Subject: Waste Management – Northwest, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc. (G-237);  
Tariff # 17

Enclosed are revised pages 2, 21, 22, 25, 26 and 27 to the above-referenced tariff. The purpose of these tariff revisions is to reflect the change in the commodity credits for residential and multi-family customers receiving recycling collection services. These tariff revisions reflect a decrease of the current commodity credit from \$4.26 to \$1.47 per month for residential customers and a decrease from \$0.91 per yard to \$0.31 per yard for multi-family customers.

These changes are principally due to the overall decrease in commodity values since our last commodity credit adjustment on December 1, 2011. They are also a result of implementing the terms of the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission under which Waste Management agreed to a mechanism intended to return to the ratepayers the unexpended revenues retained during the Revenue Sharing Plan period of 2011-2012. Order 06/07 – Final Order Approving Settlement Agreement and Lifting Suspension, *WUTC v. Waste Management of Washington, Inc.*, Docket Nos. TG-111813 et al. (consolidated) (September 27, 2012). Further, in accordance with RCW 81.77.185, the recycling commodity credit was adjusted to accommodate a Revenue Sharing Plan with Snohomish County for 2013, under which the Company is authorized to retain 38% of recycling commodity revenues to be spent on program activities. The 2013 Revenue Sharing Plan with Snohomish County that has been certified by Matt Zybas, the director of the Snohomish County Solid Waste Division, is included with this filing. The proposed effective date of the revised recycling commodity credit is January 1, 2013.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers and pertinent documentation described above. Customers will be notified of the change in their commodity credit adjustment on their next regularly scheduled billing after the approval of the Commission. In addition, the county has been notified of these proposed tariff changes.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (425) 814-7840.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Weinstein". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mike Weinstein  
Senior Pricing Manager, Pacific Northwest Market Area

cc: Jeff McMahon  
Sego Jackson, Snohomish County Solid Waste Division  
Matt Zybas, Snohomish County Solid Waste Division