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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Spokane County Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan, Preliminary **Draft February 2022**

To whom it may concern:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) received Spokane County's preliminary draft Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan (Plan) and a formal request for review of the Plan on February 25, 2022. I am forwarding you their Plan submittal along with this cover letter to formally request Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) review of the Plan.

Per RCW 70A.205.065, Ecology is to provide the UTC with a copy of any preliminary draft Local Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan immediately upon receipt. The UTC shall then review the Plan's assessment of solid waste collection cost impacts on rates charged by solid waste collection companies regulated under Chapter 81.77 RCW and advise the submitting county and Ecology of the probable effect of the plan's recommendations on those rates. The contact information for Spokane County and for Ecology are below:

Spokane County

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I look forward to receiving your input. If you have any questions, please contact me at (509) 934-5483 or steven.gimpel@ecy.wa.us.

Sincerely,

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Solid Waste Management Program

Enclosure: Spokane County Solid Waste Management Plan, Preliminary Draft, February 2022