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## **VIA WEB PORTAL**

Mr. Jeff Killip Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

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Dear Mr. Killip,

Sound Disposal Holdings, Inc. dba Sound Disposal, Inc. (G-82) is seeking to reduce its commodity adjustment with this filing. The processing costs for recyclable materials decreased during the last six months of 2023, and Sound would like to timely pass these savings on to its customers.

We respectfully request a waiver from WAC 480-70-351(2) which requires use of a 12-month historical period for calculating recycling credits or charges. Due to the volatility in the recycling commodity markets, Sound has been submitting commodity adjustment filings with the UTC every six months, since early 2023. The supporting workbook included with this filing calculates the commodity adjustment using the most recent six-month historical period. We also request a six-month payback period, expiring September 30, 2024.

As discussed during Sound's recent general rate case, the company has been working to expand its services to better meet customer needs. In so doing, Sound has expanded its multifamily recycling services to include offering 1.5- and 2-yard containers. The information for these new containers has been included in the supporting workpapers.

We have provided revised tariff pages: 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Page 1 - Check Sheet; 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Page 22 – Item 100 - Residential Service; and 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Page 25 – Item 105 - Multi-family Service. Sound will notify customers of these changes on the next regular billing under the provision of WAC 480-70- 271(2)(a)(vi), and in compliance with commission staff's clarification for customer notices regarding RCW 81.28.050.

If the Commission approves this filing, the company's overall revenue and costs will decrease by approximately 0.9 percent or \$19,000.

The company serves approximately 1,750 residential customers and approximately 550 multifamily and commercial customers in the City of Edmonds and Snohomish County. The requested effective date for this tariff revision is April 1, 2024.

Portions of this filing are considered confidential under WAC 480-07-160 because it contains valuable competitive cost and financial commercial information. Redacted and non-redacted copies of these documents are provided where appropriate.

Please send any questions to me at ann@kalahikiconsulting.com or call 360.561.9717.

Sincerely,

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