Agenda Date: October 27, 2004

Item Number: C1

Docket: TG-041349

Subject: Rulemaking to Consider Payment Options and Electronic Billing

for Solid Waste Companies

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Discussion:

On August 5, 2004, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR 101) in Docket TG-041349 with the Code Reviser to initiate a rulemaking to consider amending the payment and billing rules to allow more flexibility to the industry and the public.

On September 24, 2004, the Commission filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (CR-102). The CR-102 provided notice of an adoption hearing on October 27, 2004. The notice also provided opportunity for stakeholders to submit written comments. The Commission has received comment from one stakeholder, the Washington Refuse & Recycling Association (WRRA). The WRRA's comments, that are representative of its solid waste company membership, support the proposed rule changes.

The CR-102 identified the following WACs proposed for amendment by this rulemaking:

WAC 480-70-401, Payment options WAC 480-70-396, Billing

The proposed rules, as filed with the Code Reviser, are in Attachment A.

Attachment