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Judge Patricia Clark
Office of Administrative Hearings
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Application for Solid Waste Authority (TG-091026) – Settlement by Restrictive Amendment

Dear Judge Clark:

This letter is to communicate the fact that the interests of Sanitary Service Company, Inc. ("SSC") and Blaine Bay Refuse, Inc. ("BBR") would be satisfied if Northwest Liquids were to restrictively amend its applied-for authority to read as follows:

Solid waste collection services under contract with Nature's Path Food USA, Inc., located in Blaine, Washington to collect and transport for disposal a mixture of sugar water and solids using an internal or external vacuum system to load and transport by tanker truck in Whatcom County.

It is our understanding that Northwest Liquids will be able to perform the services desired by its customer in accordance with this authority. If the Applicant accepts the proposed amendment, and if Staff concurs, then SSC and BBR would be willing to withdraw their Protest.

Thank you, Judge Clark, for allowing me to participate in tomorrow's prehearing conference by telephone. I am hopeful that we will be able to resolve this matter on the record at that time, and avoid the need for any further administrative proceedings.

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Thanks also to Staff and the Applicant for working to resolve my clients' interests, and for accommodating my travel schedule last week, which caused some delay in communications.

Sincerely,

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