Agenda Date: April 25, 2024

Item Number: B3

**Docket:** TG- 240177

Company Name: Island Disposal Inc., d/b/a Island Disposal

Staff: Scott Sevall, Regulatory Services

Kris Irelan, Consumer Protection

### **Recommendation**

Take no action, thereby allowing tariff pages filed by Island Disposal Inc., d/b/a Island Disposal, on March 13, 2024, and revised on April 18, 2024, to become effective May 1, 2023, by operation of law.

### **Discussion**

On March 13, 2024, Island Disposal Inc., d/b/a Island Disposal, (Island or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) tariff revisions that, would generate approximately \$0 (0.0 percent) additional annual revenue. The Company serves approximately 13,600 residential, commercial, and roll-off customers in Island and Snohomish Counties. The Company's last general rate case became effective on April 1, 2022.

This case is a compliance filing from their previous rate case in Docket TG-220100. Island's multi-year automation process required a series of rate cases to capture the appropriate costs. While the current case was filed as a revenue neutral case the proposed rates were increasing the roll-off line-of-business rates and decreasing the residential and commercial line-of-business rates. During Commission staff (Staff) review there were proposed adjustments which changed the revenue requirement. The Company and Staff have agreed to a revised revenue requirement which would decrease revenue by approximately \$69,000 (-0.9 percent) annually. This is a result of an increase in industrial rates and a reduction in residential and commercial rates.

Staff has completed its review of the Company's books and records and believes the Company has demonstrated the rate increase is necessary to provide service. Staff believes the revised rates agreed upon by the Company are fair, just, reasonable, and sufficient.

# **Rate Comparison**

Service	Current Rate	Company Proposed	Revised Rate	Percentage Increase
Residential				
35 gal. weekly	\$22.77	\$22.35	\$22.33	-1.9%
64 gal. weekly	\$33.07	\$32.46	\$32.43	-1.9%
<u>Commercial</u>				
1.5 yard per pick-up	\$37.49	\$36.80	\$36.76	-1.9%
Industrial				
30 yard per pick-up	\$162.47	\$173.77	\$167.99	3.4%

# **Customer Comments**

On March 15, 2024, the Company notified its customers by mail of a proposed 1.86 percent residential rate decrease, a 6.9 percent roll off/compactor rate increase, and a 1.9 percent commercial rate decrease. Staff received two residential customer comments. Both customers supported the residential rate decrease. No other comments were obtained. Customers were notified that they may access relevant documents about this rate decrease on the commission's website, and that they may contact Kris Irelan at 1-888-333-9882 or kris.irelan@utc.wa.gov with questions or concerns.

### **Conclusion**

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