

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of)	DOCKET NO. TL-040264
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)	ORDER NO. 01
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Fees to be Paid by Low-Level)	ORDER WAIVING
Radioactive Waste Site Operators)	REGULATORY FEES FOR LOW-
Under the Provisions of RCW)	LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE
81.108.090)	SITES
.....)	

BACKGROUND

- 1 RCW 81.108.090 requires that every low-level radioactive waste site operating in this state under jurisdiction of this Commission pay a regulatory fee of no more than .01 of its gross operating revenue exclusive of site surveillance fees, perpetual care and maintenance fees, site closure fees, and state or federally imposed out-of-region surcharges.

- 2 The percentage rate to be paid in any year may be decreased by the Commission by general order. In decreasing such rate, the Commission is required to take into consideration the monies then in the low-level radioactive waste site account of the public service revolving fund and the fees currently to be paid, to the end that the fees collected shall be approximately the same as the reasonable cost of regulating low-level radioactive waste sites. In 2003 the fee was set at zero.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 3 The 2004 regulatory fee is now before the Commission for consideration and the Commission, being advised, has considered all monies on hand and the fees currently to be paid and determined the fee to be paid by low-level radioactive waste sites should be zero.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 4 The fee to be paid to the Commission under the provisions of RCW 81.108.090 is waived for low-level radioactive waste sites for fees based on the 2003 calendar year operations.

The Commissioners, having determined the fee for 2004 directed the Secretary to issue this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 25th day of February, 2004.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary