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June 14, 2019

Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504

RE: Island County Solid Waste and Moderate Risk Waste Management Plan, Preliminary Draft June 2019

To whom it may concern:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) received the *Island County Solid Waste and Moderate Risk Waste Management Plan* (Plan), Preliminary Draft June 2019, and formal request for review via email on June 12, 2019. Today, I am forwarding that request, along with this cover letter, to formally request Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) review of the Plan.

Per RCW 70.95.096, Ecology is to provide the UTC with a copy of any Preliminary Draft Local Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan immediately upon receipt. The UTC shall then review the Plan's assessment of solid waste collection cost impacts on rates charged by solid waste collection companies regulated under Chapter 81.77 RCW and advise the submitting County and Ecology of the probable effect of the Plan's recommendations on those rates.

Please be advised that we anticipate Island County will submit a supplemental to this Plan within two weeks. That separate document is referred on page 4-2 (second full paragraph) of the Plan and is the alternative plan for recycling in Freeland and Langley. We will forward it to you immediately upon receipt.

Your contacts during this review are:

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Thank you for your review, and please feel free to contact me at any time.

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Enclosure: Island County Solid Waste and Moderate Risk Waste Management Plan

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