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Kathy Hunter
Acting Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, Washington 98503

Re: Stericycle of Washington, Inc., G-244 – General Rate Case

Dear Acting Director and Secretary Hunter:

On behalf of Stericycle of Washington, Inc. (“Stericycle”) (G-244), enclosed for filing is an updated version of Stericycle’s proposed Tariff No. 2, which replaces its existing Tariff No. 1. Stericycle previously filed the proposed Tariff No. 2 on November 13, 2023, but is filing an updated version to update the requested effective date to January 8, 2024.

This filing is a general rate case aimed at updating Stericycle’s rates and service offerings. Unlike traditional solid waste transportation companies regulated by the Commission, Stericycle is a regulated medical waste transportation company whose service territory is statewide and overlaps with other regulated medical waste companies in Washington.

Despite ongoing increases in operational costs, the company has not filed for any meaningful rate increases for over twenty years. However, Stericycle can no longer continue providing its service without updating its rates and terms of service due to cost escalations across Stericycle’s operations, including labor, supply chain, transportation, and disposal costs.

Stericycle’s proposed Tariff No. 2 updates its rates and terms for its existing services and contains new proposed services to reflect its current service offerings. If approved by the Commission, the overall revenue requirement increase for existing services would be approximately \$2.9 million or a 25 percent increase. Overall, for existing services, this will increase rates by 14 percent on average. As noted above, Stericycle is requesting an effective date for these changes of January 8, 2024.

Enclosed with this filing are supporting workpapers and the customer notification letter that will be distributed pursuant to WAC 480-70-271 on or before November 20, 2023. Please note that

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some of the supporting workpapers contain sensitive commercial information and are being marked and designated as Confidential pursuant to WAC 480-07-160.

For ease of comparing the proposed tariff to Stericycle's current tariff and consistent with WAC 480-07-520(1) and WAC 480-70-286, any proposed changes have been marked in legislative format or with the appropriate symbols, where possible. Stericycle is also providing a clean version for comparison. Note that some proposed changes are to adhere to the Commission's current form solid waste tariff, which is different from Stericycle's current tariff and required some minor formatting and textual changes.

The company has mailed a copy of this letter to the chair of the county commission or county council of each county affected by the filing pursuant to WAC 480-70-326(2)(a)(vi).

Pursuant to WAC 480-70-326(3)(b), Stericycle has authorized me to make this tariff filing on its behalf, as indicated by signature below.


To the extent you have any questions about the above, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



David S. Steele

Company authorization:

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Richard M. Moore, President

Enclosures

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