**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE**

**UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| In the Matter of the Petition of  BLAINE-BAY REFUSE, INC,  Petitioner,  Seeking Exemption from the provisions of WAC 480-70-071 Relating to Filing of Annual Reports by Solid Waste Companies  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | ) ) ) ) ) ) ) )  ) ) | DOCKET TG-080771  ORDER 01  ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM RULE; GRANTING COMPANY ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT |

**BACKGROUND**

1. On May 1, 2008, Blaine-Bay Refuse, Inc.,(Blaine-Bay or Company)**,** filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition requesting an extension of time to file its 2007 annual report as required by WAC 480-70-071. The Company stated that due to the demands of other business, the company has not yet completed the annual report. Blaine-Bay did pay its regulatory fees for 2007. Blaine-Bay seeks an extension until May 5, 2008.
2. Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommended granting the Company’s request for exemption, subject to the following condition: that Blaine-Bay file its 2007 annual report no later than May 30, 2008.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

1. (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate the rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts and affiliated interests of public service companies, including solid waste companies. *RCW 80.01.040, RCW 81.01, RCW 81.04, RCW 81.16, RCW 81.28 and RCW 81.77.*
2. (2) Blaine-Bay is a solid waste company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
3. (3) Blaine-Bay is subject to WAC 480-70-071, which requires solid waste companies to file an annual report by May 1 of each year.
4. (4) Under WAC 480-70-071 (1)(c), the Commission may grant an extension of time allowing the Company to file its annual report after the May 1 due date if the Commission receives a request for extension before May 1.
5. (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 15, 2008
6. (6) After reviewing Blaine-Bay’s petition filed in Docket TG-080771 on May 1, 2008, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the exemption is reasonable and should be granted.

**O R D E R**

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

1. (1) The Commission grants the request of Blaine-Bay Refuse, Inc., for an extension of time to file its 2007 annual report until May 30, 2008.
2. (2) Failure by Blaine-Bay Refuse, Inc., to file its 2007 annual report by May 30, 2008, may result in the Commission invoking RCW 81.04.405, which allows the Commission to assess penalties for violations of statute, rule, and Commission orders.
3. (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Blaine-Bay Refuse, Inc., to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Executive Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 15, 2008.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Executive Secretary