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May 7, 2009

Ms. Penny Ingram, Regulatory Analyst Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

SUBJECT: Draft Review – Whatcom County Draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan 2008

Dear Ms. Ingram:

Ecology is forwarding two copies of the formal submission of the *Whatcom County Draft Solid Waste Management Plan*, 2008 for draft review under Chapter 70.95 RCW (for solid waste), Chapter 70.105 RCW (for hazardous waste), and RCW 70.95I.020 (related to used oil) and Ecology's guidelines for solid and hazardous waste plans. (I sent you much of the enclosed in an electronic format on May 7, 2009).

Ecology received this plan on May 4, 2009. It includes an updated WUTC Cost Assessment. Our 120 day review period has been restarted, and expires on June 29, 2009. Under the Interagency Agreement, comments from WUTC plan reviewers should be sent within 45 days from the date the plan is received and docketed by the WUTC.

Please forward copies of your correspondence with Whatcom County to me, and also please inform me of the date when this item will be presented at the WUTC public meeting.

Should you have questions about the information contained in the cost assessment questionnaire, please contact Penni Lemperes at 360-676-7695 or <a href="mailto:pleamento.com/pleamento

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Two copies of the Whatcom County Draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (2008), one copy of the cover letter submitted by Whatcom County, one copy of the acknowledgement letter from Ecology to Whatcom County.

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cc: Penni Lemperes, Whatcom County

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