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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Chandler Plaza Building
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Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Subject: Waste Management – Northwest, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc. (G-237); Tariff # 18

Enclosed are revised pages 2, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 to the above-referenced tariff. The purpose of these tariff revisions is to reflect the change in the commodity credits for residential and multi-family customers receiving recycling collection services. These tariff revisions reflect an increase of the current commodity credit from \$1.14 to \$1.64 per month for residential customers in Snohomish County and an increase from \$1.13 to \$1.52 per month for residential customers in King County. Multi-family commodity credits are increasing proportionately to the increases to residential customers. As a result, this filing seeks approval to implement a decrease in customers' solid waste collection rates.

These increases in the commodity credits are due to the overall changes in commodity values and tonnages since our last commodity credit adjustment on January 1, 2014. The proposed effective date of the revised recycling commodity credits is January 1, 2015.

As a reminder of context, this filing is being submitted mid-way through the two-year Revenue Sharing Plans with Snohomish and King Counties for 2014 - 2015. It only reflects the changes to the commodity rebates due to actual prices and quantities over the past 12 months. It does not make other adjustments that will be required upon completion of the Plans. In accordance with RCW 81.77.185 and the approved Plans, the Company will continue to retain up to 35% of recycling commodity revenues to be spent on program activities. At the end of the two-year period, these revised commodity credits will be subject to additional adjustments to reflect any incentives earned by the Company, and amounts of retained revenue over or under spent to comply with the tasks in the Revenue Sharing plans. This filing includes a report on expenditures to date, but does not indicate any amounts over or under spent because the Plan activities are still ongoing. Along with any changes attributable to commodity values and tonnages during the next 12-month period, retained revenue adjustments will be addressed in our filing in 2015 at the completion of the two-year plan period.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers. Customers will be notified of the change in their commodity credit adjustment on their next regularly scheduled billing after the approval of the Commission. In addition, the counties have been notified of these proposed tariff changes.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (425) 814-7840.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mike Weinstein', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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