

1600 127th Avenue, Bellevue, WA 98005

December 17, 2015

Steven King Executive Director & Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Rabanco Ltd. / Lynnwood Disposal / Republic Services Tariff Revision (General Rate Case)

Dear Mr. King,

Enclosed please find proposed tariff No. 4 of Rabanco LTD, Certificate G-12 (DBA Lynnwood Disposal), the purpose of which is a general rate increase request specific to recycling services. On June 2, 2014 the City of Seattle passed ordinance 124490 to establish a new city-wide minimum wage. The ordinance calls for a \$13.00/hr minimum wage for 2016. Recycling tons for Lynnwood customers are delivered to Rabanco Recyling Company, an affiliated entity located in Seattle, for processing.

This facility subcontracts for the manual sorting of recycle materials with a 3rd party vendor that is subject to the ordinance noted above. The increased labor cost directly impacts the cost to process materials at the facility. Rabanco Ltd is requesting an increase in its rates in order to recover the associated costs specific to the tons collected in Lynnwood's regulated territory.

Due to the particular nature of the request and limited factors impacting costs, the company is seeking exemption from the workpaper requirements detailed in WAC 480-07-520 as outlined in the included petition.

We are requesting that this change become effective February 1st, 2016.

Sincerely,

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