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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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Subject: Waste Management–South Sound and Waste Management - Seattle, divisions of Waste Management of Washington, Inc. (G-237);
Tariff # 24

Enclosed are revised pages 2, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30, and 35-38 to the above-referenced tariff. The purpose of these tariff revisions is twofold. First, residential, and commercial rates are being adjusted due to the increase in the King County disposal fees. Second, the revisions also reflect the change in the commodity charges to credits for residential and multi-family customers receiving recycling collection services.

The King County Council approved the increase in disposal fees from \$154.02 to \$168.68 per ton as reflected in Title 10 of the King County Solid Waste Code. The increased rates, if approved by the Commission, would approximately increase Company revenue by \$417,000, and residential and commercial garbage rates by approximately 4.0%. The effective date for both proposed tariff revisions is January 1, 2023.

As mentioned above, the tariff revisions also reflect the change in the commodity credit for residential and multi-family customers receiving recycling collection services. The change in the commodity credit is jointly due to the change in commodity values, tonnages, and materials composition since the last commodity adjustment on January 1, 2022. These tariff revisions reflect a change of the current commodity credit from \$2.15 to a credit of \$1.02 per month for residential customers in King County. Multi-family commodity credits are changing proportionately to the changes to residential customers. We are requesting that the proposed effective date of these tariff revisions be January 1, 2023.

As a reminder of context, the commodity credit filing is being submitted mid-way through the two-year Revenue Sharing Plans with Snohomish and King Counties for 2022 - 2023. It only reflects the changes to the commodity credit 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 50% 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.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers and other filing documents. Customers will be notified of the change in their collection rates due to the various changes referred to above on their next regularly scheduled billing after the approval of the Commission.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (503) 956-8594.

Very truly yours,

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