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Karen Caille, Administrative Law Judge  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. TG-030831, *Application of Blaine Bay Refuse, Inc. for an Extension of Authority Under Certificate No. G-145*

Dear Judge Caille:

According to the Commission's June 1, 2004, "Notice of Further Suspension of Proposed Schedule" in this case, the Parties are required to file a report by today regarding the status of Docket No. TG-030831.

Commission Staff submits that Docket No. TG-030831 should be held in abeyance until Docket No. TG-031817 is resolved.

On June 15, 2004, the Commission issued an Initial Order by ALJ Caille in Docket No. TG-031817. ALJ Caille required, on an Initial Order basis, that Blaine Bay Refuse Inc.'s (Blaine Bay) certificate be amended.

If, in its Final Order in Docket No. TG-031817, the Commission orders that Certificate No. G-145 be amended as required in the initial order, the resulting certificate will reflect the same authority Blaine Bay has applied for in Docket No. TG-030831, and the issues in Docket No. TG-030831 will be rendered moot.

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Therefore, Commission Staff recommends Docket No. TG-030831 be held in abeyance until the Commission issues a final order in Docket No. TG-031817. At that time, it will be clear what issues, if any, need to be resolved in the instant Docket No. TG-030831.

There is no new impact on the parties caused by Staff's recommendation. A temporary certificate was issued in Docket No. TG-030831 to maintain the operational *status quo*. Nothing in Staff's recommendation changes that *status quo* while Docket No. TG-031817 proceeds to a final order.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Trotter', written over the printed name.

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cc: Parties