

Yakima Waste Systems, Inc.

P.O. Box 2830 • Yakima, Washington 98907
2812¹/₂ Terrace Heights Drive • Yakima, Washington 98901

August 23, 2005

To: Yakima Herald Republic

Re: Notice of Rate Increase

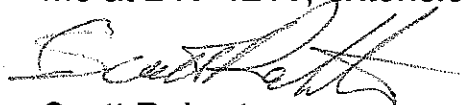
Yakima Waste Systems, Inc has filed a rate revision with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) to increase rates for solid waste collection and disposal by 7.66% effective October 1, 2005. The proposed tariff will not become effective until reviewed and approved by the WUTC. The Commission has authority to set final rates that may vary from our request depending on the result of the Commission's investigation.

The last rate increase was effective February 13, 2003. The reason for this request is increased operating costs including; Fuel, salaries, medical insurance benefit increases, and investment in equipment.

The enclosed Notices will be mailed to all affected customers by August 30, 2005. Customers may contact the Company toll free by calling 1-800-572-9738, or 248-4213 if they have questions or need additional information about the proposed changes.

Comments may be submitted in writing or presented at the Commission's open public meeting. You may contact the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission at PO Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250; 1-800-562-6150; comment @wutc.wa.gov; or by fax at 360-664-3604.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice please feel free to call me at 248-4213, extension 4. Thank you.



Scott Robertson
Manager

Yakima Waste Systems, Inc.

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August 22, 2005

To: Yakima County Commissioners
Ron Gamache, Chairman
Jessie Palacios
Mike Leita

Re: Notice of Rate Increase

Dear Commissioners:

WAC 480-70-271 requires that we notify the County Commissioners of affected customers when we file to increase rates and fees with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC). This notice is provided to meet that requirement.

We have requested a general rate increase of 7.66% to become effective October 1, 2005. The proposed rates will not become effective until reviewed and approved by the WUTC. The WUTC has authority to set final rates that may vary from our request depending on the results of the WUTC's investigation.

Our last rate increase was March of 2003. This rate revision is necessitated to address increased operating expenses, included, but not limited to; Fuel costs, employees salary increases, medical insurance increases, and investment in equipment.

The enclosed copies will be mailed to each affected customer prior to August 30, 2005. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call. I can be reached at 248-4213, or 800-572-9738.

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Sincerely,



Scott Robertson
General Manager
Cc: Vern Redifer
Wendy Mifflin

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To: City of Yakima
Paul George, Mayor
Dick Zais, City Manager

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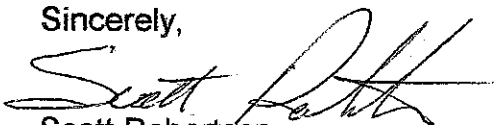
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Cc: Chris Waarvick
Nancy Fortier

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To: Directorate of Public Works
Attention AFZH-PWC, MS 17
Building 2012
P.O. Box 339500
Fort Lewis, WA 98433-9500

Re: Notice of Rate Increase
Contract #DAKF57-94-C0017

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The enclosed proposed tariff number 9 pages would replace the current tariff pages provided to you to currently serve the Yakima Training Center in Yakima County. We will notify you of the approved rates when we have received them from the Commission.

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Cc: Yakima Training Center / Public Works

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August 25, 2005

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Notice to Residential Customers of Yakima Waste Systems, Inc.

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Proposed rates to be effective October 1, 2005

Number of Cans	Frequency of Service	Proposed Monthly Charge	Proposed Increase
1	Weekly	\$ 6.73	\$.48
2	Weekly	\$ 8.79	\$.63
3	Weekly	\$ 10.83	\$.77
4	Weekly	\$ 12.88	\$.92
5	Weekly	\$ 15.20	\$ 1.08
6	Weekly	\$ 17.76	\$ 1.26
1	Monthly	\$ 3.99	\$.28
Drive In	Weekly	\$ 3.46	\$.26
Mini Can	Weekly	\$ 5.42	\$.39
Extra Units	Per Pickup	\$ 1.97	\$.14
Return Trip	Per Pickup	\$ 4.15	\$.30
Yard Waste*	Every Other Week	\$ 4.80	\$.0
Curbside Recycle*	Every Other Week	\$ 3.46	\$.0

Affected Customers may express their opinions regarding the filing in writing to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. Your comments should be addressed to:

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Olympia, Washington 98504-7250
Or: comments@wutc.wa.gov or Fax to 360-664-3604

You may call the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission at 800-562-6150.

Customers may select service levels that meet their needs, and change them throughout the year. Recycle opportunities could reduce garbage service levels. For a free waste audit call: Yakima Waste Systems at 248-4213

*Yard Waste and Curbside Recycling available in Yakima Urban area only.

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Proposed rates to be effective October 1, 2005

Proposed Rates	20 Yd.	30 Yd.	40 Yd.	50 Yd.
Monthly Rental	\$ 29.07	\$ 33.91	\$ 38.76	\$ 43.60
Proposed Increase	\$ 2.07	\$ 2.41	\$ 2.76	\$ 3.10
Each Pickup	\$ 62.66	\$ 70.26	\$ 86.38	\$ 86.38
Proposed Increase	\$ 4.46	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.15	\$ 6.15
Tonnage	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20
Proposed Increase	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

Item 260 - Temporary Drop Box Service - Non Compacted:

Proposed Rates	20 Yd.	30 Yd.	40 Yd.
Initial Delivery	\$ 30.25	\$ 30.25	\$ 30.25
Proposed Increase	\$ 2.15	\$ 2.15	\$ 2.15
Each Pickup	\$ 62.66	\$ 70.26	\$ 86.38
Proposed Increase	\$ 4.46	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.15
Tonnage	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20
Proposed Increase	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Daily Rental	\$ 3.05	\$ 3.65	\$ 3.95
Proposed Increase	\$.22	\$.26	\$.28

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Item 275 - Compactor Service:

Proposed Rates	10 Yd.	11 Yd.	15 Yd.	18 Yd.	20 Yd.
Each Pickup	\$ 107.50	\$ 107.50	\$ 107.50	\$ 107.50	\$ 111.80
Proposed Increase	\$ 7.65	\$ 7.65	\$ 7.65	\$ 7.65	\$ 7.95
Tonnage	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20
Proposed Increase	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

Item - Compactor Service (Cont.):

Proposed Rates	25 Yd.	30 Yd.	35 Yd.	36 Yd.	40 Yd.
Each Pickup	\$ 122.57	\$ 132.72	\$ 158.17	\$ 158.17	\$ 158.17
Proposed Increase	\$ 8.72	\$ 9.44	\$ 11.25	\$ 11.25	\$ 11.25
Tonnage	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20	\$ 23.20
Proposed Increase	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

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Item 110 - Commercial cans regular route scheduled service \$ 5.73 per month per can. Special Pickups \$ 2.17 first unit. Extra units over the subscribed service \$ 1.98 each.

Item 240 - Permanent Accounts:

Proposed Rates	1½ Yd.	1½ Yd.	3 Yd.	4Yd.	6 Yd.
Each Pickup	\$ <u>5.68</u>	\$ <u>6.41</u>	\$ <u>11.26</u>	\$ <u>15.30</u>	\$ <u>20.74</u>
Proposed Increase	\$ <u>.40</u>	\$ <u>.46</u>	\$ <u>.80</u>	\$ <u>1.09</u>	\$ <u>1.48</u>
Special Pickup	\$ <u>9.45</u>	\$ <u>9.82</u>	\$ <u>15.77</u>	\$ <u>18.93</u>	\$ <u>25.55</u>
Proposed Increase	\$ <u>.67</u>	\$ <u>.70</u>	\$ <u>1.12</u>	\$ <u>1.35</u>	\$ <u>1.82</u>

Item 240 - Temporary Accounts:

Proposed Rates	1½ Yd.	1½ Yd.	3 Yd.	4Yd.	6 Yd.
Daily Rental	\$ <u>.37</u>	\$ <u>.37</u>	\$ <u>.55</u>	\$ <u>.61</u>	\$ <u>.92</u>
Proposed Increase	\$ <u>.03</u>	\$ <u>.03</u>	\$ <u>.04</u>	\$ <u>.04</u>	\$ <u>.07</u>
Each Pickup	\$ <u>8.76</u>	\$ <u>9.28</u>	\$ <u>17.09</u>	\$ <u>22.31</u>	\$ <u>26.29</u>
Proposed Increase	\$ <u>.62</u>	\$ <u>.66</u>	\$ <u>1.22</u>	\$ <u>1.59</u>	\$ <u>1.87</u>
Delivery	\$ <u>18.19</u>	\$ <u>18.19</u>	\$ <u>22.43</u>	\$ <u>22.43</u>	\$ <u>26.06</u>
Proposed Increase	\$ <u>1.29</u>	\$ <u>1.29</u>	\$ <u>1.60</u>	\$ <u>1.60</u>	\$ <u>1.85</u>

Note: Extra yardage or overfilled container charge - 6.61 per yard

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