

July 11, 2003

Reference: Docket TG-030325 / Trystan Matthews / Recycle Whidbey Permit

Dear Ms. Washburn,

We are very concerned about recycling in the state of Washington and especially on Whidbey Island. While Island Disposal does a good job of picking up trash, it does not do an adequate job of recycling as all recyclable materials are mixed with the garbage.

We run a business with a considerable amount of paper materials that are recyclable. We have only two options: put it all out in the dumpster to be picked up with all the garbage or to take it to Island Recycling ourselves.

Due to time constraints, it is very hard to get to Island Recycling and our recyclables pile up for weeks, often getting thrown in the dumpster after all.

We were thrilled when Trystan Matthews decided to begin a business, Recycle Whidbey, that would actually pick up our recycling. When we spoke to Mr. Matthews about his business, he agreed to come right into the mall to our office to pick up the recycling. This would be absolutely wonderful.

We were distressed to find out that Island Disposal hopes to prevent Mr. Matthews from obtaining permits to allow him to conduct his business. Island Disposal does not offer this sort of service at all and should not view Recycle Whidbey as any kind of threat.

Please permit Recycle Whidbey to begin operations here on Whidbey Island.

Thank you.

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