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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Attention: Marguerite Friedlander, Administrative Law Judge
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Re: TG-130501 and TG-130502 (consolidated) WUTC v. Murrey's/American Disposal

Dear Judge Friedlander:

Per our conference call today with Staff counsel, Steve Smith, this is to confirm that the parties have requested that the procedural schedule in the above-captioned matter be suspended on the basis of a preliminary settlement reached between the parties late Friday afternoon, July 12, 2013.

If the settlement does not in fact come to fruition, Mr. Smith and I would notify you and then the company would have another 48 to 72-hour interval in order to file its direct testimony and exhibits with a corresponding adjustment to the prefiling deadline for the Staff's responsive case. We understand that under this alternative scenario, the hearing date of August 14, 2013 would have to be moved but we would propose that it be moved to a date certain fairly close in time to the originally scheduled hearing date depending on when you are notified of any impasse.

As we also mentioned, we hope a proposed settlement agreement pursuant to rule can be filed with you by the first part of next week.

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Under these admittedly rather fluid circumstances, we trust the above is satisfactory to the Commission, particularly in the larger interest of alternative dispute resolution and welcome any further questions or comments you may have.

Yours truly,

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