



October 29, 2013

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Chandler Plaza Building
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA. 98504-7250

Subject: Waste Management of Spokane, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc.(G-237); Tariff #17

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed herein, please find revised pages, 2, 21, 22, 23, 27, 32, 33, 34 and 35 to the above-referenced tariff. These proposed revised tariff pages contain increased rates for residential and commercial garbage collection services and residential yard waste services. The requested rate increase is necessary in order to recover increased disposal costs at the Spokane Regional Solid Waste System (SRSWS). The SRSWS approved the increase in disposal fees from \$98.00 to \$99.50 per ton at the Spokane Waste to Energy facility and from \$103.00 to \$104.59 per ton at the system transfer stations. In addition, the SRSWS approved the increase in yard waste processing fees from \$44.00 per ton to \$47.00 per ton. The increased rates, if approved by the commission, would approximately increase Company revenue by \$183,000, and residential rates by .6%, commercial garbage rates by .75% and residential yard waste rates by 2.3%. The effective date of these proposed tariff revisions is January 1, 2014.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers which reflect the results of operations from our last general rate filing approved in TG-130082 on May 1, 2013. There have been no significant changes in the operations of Waste Management of Spokane since this prior case. In addition, a copy of the letter from the SRSWS notifying us of the increase in disposal fees and a copy of Chapter 13.02 of the Spokane Municipal Code that establishes that the disposal fees are to be adjusted annually by the consumer price index are enclosed for your review. Upon approval by the Commission of this filing, affected customers will be notified of this rate increase on their next regularly scheduled billing.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (425) 814-7840.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michael A. Weinstein'.

Michael A. Weinstein
Senior Pricing Manager, Pacific Northwest Market Area

cc: Marco Gonzalez
Clerk of the Board, Spokane County Chair