



WASTE MANAGEMENT

720 4th Ave, Suite 400
Kirkland, WA 98033

State Of WASH.
UTIL. AND TRANSP.
COMMISSION

06/12/20 16:14

Received
Records Management

June 12, 2020

Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Subject: Waste Management of Spokane, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc.(G-237); Tariff #18

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Enclosed are revised pages 2, 19, 22, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38 to the above-referenced tariff. The purpose of these tariff revisions is to reflect the change in the commodity credits for residential and multi-family customers receiving recycling collection services and to reflect increased rates due to the increase in the state B & O tax rate from 1.5% to 1.75% that went into effect on April 1, 2020.

These tariff revisions reflect a decrease of the current commodity credit from \$0.77 to \$0.47 per month for residential customers in King County. Multi-family commodity credits are decreasing from \$0.21 to \$0.04 per yard. Thus, this filing seeks approval to implement an increase in customers' solid waste collection rates. The increase in the commodity credit is due to the overall change in commodity values and tonnages since our last commodity credit adjustment on August 1, 2019. The proposed effective date of the revised recycling commodity credit is August 1, 2020.

As a reminder of context, this filing is being submitted at the end of the two-year Revenue Sharing Plan with Spokane County for 2018 - 2020. It is the third adjustment to the commodity credit that has been made during the two-year plan period, and as required by WAC 480-70-351 reflects the change to the commodity rebate due to actual prices and quantities over the past 12 months. In addition, and in accordance with RCW 81.77.185 and the approved Plan, the Company has reflected in this filing the incentive earned and the amount over or under spent on program activities over the past two years.

Furthermore, in accordance with RCW 81.77.185, the recycling commodity credit is also being adjusted to accommodate the new Revenue Sharing Plan with Spokane County for 2020 - 2022, under which the Company is authorized to retain up to 50% of recycling commodity revenues to be spent on program activities. The 2020 - 2022 Revenue Sharing Plan with Spokane County that is expected to be certified by County officials, will be submitted shortly and will include the budget for anticipated revenues and expenditures and narrative explanations of how the recycling revenue retained will be used to increase recycling. The County will be separately filing their Plan certification, as well as an analysis of the Company's performance supporting the incentives earned under the 2018-2020 Plan.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers. Customers will be notified of the change in their rates on their next regularly scheduled billing after the approval of the Commission. In addition, the county has been notified of these proposed tariff changes.

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

Very truly yours,

Mike Weinstein
Senior Pricing Manager, Pacific Northwest Market Area

cc: Jesse Granado
Joel Kohlstedt
Clerk of the Board, Spokane County Chair