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September 14, 2010

David Gomez, Deputy Assistant Director  
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Subject: Mason County Comment on Docket Number TG-090899

Mr. Gomez:


The Mason County Utilities and Waste Management has reviewed the performance of Mason County Garbage under the recycling plan developed for Mason County's Single-Cart Recycling Program as adopted by County Ordinance 147-08.

Specifically, the County reviewed data to confirm that the hauler is entitled to the full 30 percent revenue sharing provided for in the plan and authorized by RCW 81.77.185.

Mason County Garbage has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the County that this system has achieved to goals and objected identified in both the Solid Waste Management Plan and the County ordinance. Attached please find a copy of the Revenue Sharing Plan.

Please contact me if there are questions or concerns, or if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

  
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Enclosures (1)

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David Baker, Solid Waste Manager  
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Dear David,

We wanted to take this opportunity to update you on the continued success of the curbside recycling program that Mason County Garbage implemented in 2009. Mason County adopted Ordinance #147-08, in response to RCW 81.77.185, thus resulting in a curbside recycling program in Mason County. There was an extensive plan, implementation schedule, reporting criteria and revenue sharing agreement as part of this recycling program.

To coincide with our reported success of this program, we are also requesting that we still be considered to participate in the Revenue Sharing portion of this agreement. Per the agreement we would receive 30% of the commodity revenue if certain criteria and goals were met. The revenue sharing is broken down into 3 components, which we will outline and address.

Ten percent of the commodity revenue is retained for assisting the County in recycling glass by providing hauling services, at the County transfer stations. The company continues to provide this service for the County.

Ten percent of the commodity revenue will be received for meeting or exceeding data monitoring and reporting requirements. We have collected and accurately reported recycling and garbage data. We established baseline information with which to measure the performance of this program.

The company retains ten percent of the commodity revenue for achieving and demonstrating a recycling increase of per household per month, year-over-year. Since 2008 households are recycling more material resulting in over reduction in garbage tonnage.



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As you know the recycling markets had nearly collapsed in 2009 with the world wide economic slowdown. The market has somewhat recovered, however the revenue and rebate results originally expected prior to the program implementation has impacted our financial results that we are filing with the WUTC. We are working well with the community and Mason County to continue promotion of the program. We would request that we be allowed to continue the revenue share portion of the agreement and retain thirty percent of the revenue from commodity sales.

Thank you,

Richard P. Fredrickson  
Mason County Garbage

CC: Dan Schooler  
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