BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the petition of	
US ECOLOGY, INC.	DOCKET NO. TG-920234 NINTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER)
For determination of Initial Maximum Disposal Rate	
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	
Complainant,	
v.	DOCKET NO. UR-930711 FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER
US ECOLOGY, INC.,)
Respondent.	
WASHINGTON PUBLIC POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM,))
Complainant,	DOCKET NO. UR-930890 FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER
V.) ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENT) AGREEMENT
US ECOLOGY, INC.,)
Respondent.))
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APPEARANCES: James M. Van Nostrand, attorney, Bellevue, represented US Ecology, Inc. Anne E. Egeler and Ann E. Rendahl, assistant attorneys general, Olympia, represented the Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. Melvin N. Hatcher, attorney, Richland, represented intervenor/complainant Washington Public Power Supply System. J. Jeffrey Dudley, attorney, Portland, Oregon, represented intervenor Portland General Electric Company. Richard H. Williams, attorney, Portland, Oregon, represented intervenor Teledyne Wah Chang Albany. Mark A. Davidson, attorney, Denver, Colorado, represented intervenor Public Service Company of Colorado. James C. Paine, attorney, Portland, Oregon, represented intervenor Precision Castparts Corporation.

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MEMORANDUM

On January 20, 1994, the parties to these proceedings filed a settlement agreement which resolved all outstanding disputes. On January 20, 1994, the Commission scheduled an expedited hearing for presentation of the settlement for January 24, 1994. A bench request to the company accompanied the Notice of Hearing. On January 21, 1994, US Ecology answered the bench request. On January 24, 1994 a hearing was held in Olympia, Washington at which the settlement and responses to the bench request were admitted. The Commission heard testimony from Mr. Barry Bede of US Ecology, and all parties present supported the settlement agreement.

The Commission will accept the settlement proposed by the parties. The Commission is announcing its decision in this expedited order so that the parties may communicate the decision to the superior court and may begin to implement the settlement. An order providing the Commission's reasons will be entered later.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the settlement agreement attached to this order and incorporated herein by this reference is accepted.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this day of January 1994.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

SHARON L. NEWSON, Chairman

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RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

NOTICE TO PARTIES:

This is a final order of the Commission. In addition to judicial review, administrative relief may be available through a petition for reconsideration, filed within 10 days of the service of this order pursuant to RCW 34.05.470 and WAC 480-09-810, or a petition for rehearing pursuant to RCW 80.04.200 or RCW 81.04.200 and WAC 480-09-820(1).