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Subject: Pierce County Comment on Docket Number TG-090096

Mr. Gomez:

The Pierce County Department of Public Works and Utilities has reviewed the performance of Harold LeMay Enterprises dba Pierce County Refuse ("company") under the recycling plan developed for Pierce County's Single-Cart Recycling Program. Specifically, the County reviewed whether the company is entitled to the full 30 percent revenue sharing provided for in the plan and authorized by RCW 81.77.185.

The company complied to the satisfaction of the County. I have attached a copy of the Revenue Sharing Plan and a spreadsheet documenting the company's performance.

Please contact me if I can be of further assistance. My phone number is (253) 798-4656 and e-mail is steve.wamback@co.pierce.wa.us.

Respectfully,

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APPROVED REVENUE SHARING PLAN FOR PIERCE COUNTY REFUSE

The following documents the basis through which Harold LeMay Enterprises dba Pierce County Refuse may retain up to 30% of recycling commodity revenue:

1. 10% of the commodity revenue will be retained by the company for implementing the single stream recycling program
 - a. Working with the County on development of a coordinated public outreach program.
 - b. Establishing and meeting the implementation schedule with a smooth transition.
 - c. Meeting the customer service requirements of Pierce County Code Chapter 8.29. This will include:
 - i. The 95 gallon and 65 gallon carts together with a program for special collection issues.
 - ii. An after hours hot line.
 - iii. Expanded drop off glass collection.
 - iv. Expanded Customer Service Department and
 - v. Customer pick up schedule together with other route specific information.
2. 8% of the commodity revenue will be for meeting or exceeding data monitoring and reporting requirements.
 - a. The company will be installing on board computer systems in the trucks which will provide collection information for set outs on a collection route basis. This information will help identify those customers who have stopped or slowed in their recycling efforts.
 - b. All information will be provided through the Excel spreadsheet.
 - c. Baseline data will be provided for the previous four years for amounts of recyclables and per customer pounds disposed of as refuse.
 - d. The company will also keep records by route of commodity collection levels and the percent of non recyclable materials found.
 - e. Residential glass collection container data will be based on tonnage of material site specific and in total.
 - f. Residential glass collection containers will be located at fire stations, LRI sites and at our own manned drop off site. The sites will be checked both by refuse trucks and recycle trucks to keep them free from unwanted materials being placed around them. The host of the site may call if necessary otherwise the site will be on a regular schedule to be emptied. We will keep tonnage reports that will be site specific.
 - g. The County will also be given annually a list of alternative collection containers (8.29.080 3 B) together with a review of other issues on an annual basis.

Pierce County Refuse - Commodity Revenue Sharing Analysis

Summary				
Criteria	Topic		Percent Eligible	Percent Approved
1	Implementation		10%	10%
2	Data Monitoring		8%	8%
3	Performance Increase		12%	12%
			<u>30%</u>	<u>30%</u>

Detail				
Criteria	Topic	Status	Percent Eligible	Percent Approved
1a	Public Outreach	Developed and Maintained	10%	10%
1b	Schedule	On Time		
1ci	Carts & Special Collection	In Compliance		
1cii	Hot Line	Complied		
1ciii	Glass Drop Off	In Compliance		
1civ	Customer Service	Complied		
1cv	Schedule	In Compliance		

Criteria	Topic	Status	Percent Eligible	Percent Approved
2a	On-board computers	In Compliance	8%	8%
2b	Excel Spreadsheets	In Compliance		
2c	Baseline Date	In Compliance		
2d	Commodity and Contaminants	In Compliance		
2e	Glass Collection	In Compliance		
2f	Glass Collection	In Compliance		
2g	Alternative Collection Containers	Provided		
2h	Tracking System	In Compliance		

Criteria	Topic	Status	Percent Eligible	Percent Approved
3a	Data comparison to 2004	In Compliance	N/A	N/A
3b	Increase in Paper Fiber	66% <i>per capita</i> increase since 2004	3%	3%
3c	Increase in Total Recycling	76% <i>per capita</i> increase since 2004	4%	4%
3d	Decrease in Disposal	12% <i>per capita</i> decrease since 2004	5%	5%