

## Mason County Garbage Co., Inc.

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### RATE INCREASE NOTICE FOR RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Dear Customer:

December 30, 2010

Mason County Garbage Co., Inc. has filed a request for a rate increase with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC). The last general rate increase was approved by the WUTC April 1, 2001. Since that time, the Company has experienced increases in operating costs in the areas of labor, employee benefits, fuel, parts and equipment amongst other categories which it now seeks to update in rates. This also confirms current billing intervals for the Company are bi-monthly (one month in advance, one month in arrears), pursuant to WAC 480-70-396(2)

If approved, the proposed rates will become effective February 1, 2011. The rate per month will increase as follows:

	Current Rate	Proposed Increase	Proposed Rate
	Per Month	Per Month	Per Month
<b>Residential:</b>			
20 gal weekly	11.35	.54	11.89
1-32 gal weekly	13.10	.63	13.73
32 gal every-other-wk	7.65	.37	8.02
32 gal per month	4.30	.21	4.51
35 gal weekly	15.01	.72	15.73
48 gal weekly	18.84	.90	19.74
64-gal weekly	22.65	1.08	23.73
96-gal weekly	28.37	1.35	29.72
35-gal every-other-wk	9.15	.44	9.59
48-gal every-other-wk	12.07	.58	12.65
64-gal every-other-wk	14.42	.69	15.11
96-gal every-other-wk	17.84	.85	18.69
35-gal once p/month	5.58	.27	5.85
48-gal once p/month	6.97	.33	7.30
64-gal once p/month	8.23	.39	8.62
96-gal once p/month	10.01	.48	10.49
Occasional extra unit	3.80	.18	3.98
<b>Recycling:</b>			
96-gal every-other-wk	8.18	.64	8.82
Recycling Only	9.25	.64	9.89
Other services not listed will increase an average of 4.77%			

The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be either lower or higher from the Company's request, depending on the results of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on January 27, 2011. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, the Commission has a bridge line which enables you to participate or listen by telephone. Call 360-664-1234 for instructions the day before the open meeting. You can also

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comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the Commission's Web site at [utc.wa.gov](http://utc.wa.gov) or by using the contact information below.

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

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Olympia, WA 98504-7250

E-mail: [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov)

Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

If you have any questions regarding this increase, please contact Mason County Garbage Co., Inc. between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

Management

Mason County Garbage Co., Inc.