

# Empire Disposal, Inc.

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## RATE INCREASE NOTICE FOR COMMERCIAL CONTAINER AND CAN SERVICES

Dear Customer:

June 30, 2013

Empire Disposal, 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 November 1, 2010. 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.

If approved, the proposed rates will become effective August 1, 2013. The rate per pick-up will increase as follows:

<b>Commercial:</b>	Current Rate	Proposed	Proposed Rate
<b>Invoiced Monthly</b>	<u>Per Pick-up</u>	<u>Per Pick-up</u>	<u>Per Pick-up</u>
1 yard	13.26	1.26	14.52
1.5 yard	20.01	1.90	21.91
2 yard	26.71	2.53	29.24
3 yard	37.72	3.58	41.30
4 yard	50.14	4.76	54.90
6 yard	73.13	6.93	80.06
8 yard	95.47	9.03	104.50
Occasional extra yard	17.74	1.68	19.42
1-32 gal can weekly (min p/month)	15.76	.149	17.25
Additional Unit	3.62	.34	3.96
1-65 gal can	6.79	.64	7.43
1-90 gal can	8.09	.76	8.85
Other services not listed will increase an average of 9.299%			

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

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 July 25, 2013. The WUTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the Commission at (360) 664-1132 or [human\\_resources@utc.wa.gov](mailto:human_resources@utc.wa.gov). 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 comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the Commission's Web site at [www.utc.wa.gov](http://www.utc.wa.gov) or by using the contact information below.

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Sincerely,

Management  
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