



WASTE MANAGEMENT

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Kathy Hunter, Acting Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503 Received Records Management Dec 21, 2023

Subject: Waste Management of Skagit County, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc.(G-237); Tariff #19

Dear Ms. Hunter:

Enclosed, please find revised pages, 2, 6, 24, 25, 27, 32, 35, 36, and 37 to the above-referenced tariff. These proposed revised tariff pages contain increased rates for residential and commercial garbage collection services. The requested rate increase is necessary in order to recover increased disposal costs at the various Island County Transfer Stations. The Island County Board of Commissioners approved the increase in disposal fees from \$153.76 to \$164.37 per ton to become effective on January 1, 2024. The increased rates, if approved by the commission, would increase Company annual revenue by approximately \$42,000, and residential and commercial garbage rates by 2.4% and 3.3%, respectively. The effective date for these proposed tariff revisions is requested to be February 5, 2024.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers, which reflect the tonnage from our last general rate filing approved in TG-180752. There have been no significant changes in the operations of Waste Management of Skagit County since this prior case.

Also enclosed for your review a copy of the letter from Island County Public Works Department informing the company of the rate increase and Island County Resolution #C-74-22 which adopted and approved the increase in disposal fees. Upon approval by the Commission of this filing, affected customers will be notified of this rate increase on their next regularly scheduled billing.

Very truly yours,

Evan Burmester

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cc: Stephen Sobczak Clerk of the Board, Island County Chair