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Beci Piepel
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**RE: Douglas County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan
Docket TG-240104**

Dear Beci Piepel:

Thank you for filing Douglas County's 2024-2029 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan.

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) has completed its review of the preliminary draft of the Douglas County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan Update (Plan).

The County did not provide any data for privately owned or operated transfer stations or landfills within the county. Therefore, the Commission is unable to determine rate impacts on regulated solid waste customers in Douglas County resulting from any fees charged at these locations.

The planning area includes the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County. This includes the cities and towns of Bridgeport, East Wenatchee, Mansfield, Rock Island, and Waterville. For the purposes of this Plan, the Town of Coulee Dam is under the jurisdiction of Grant County, Washington.

The area is primary service by Waste Management of Wenatchee, G-237. Other solid waste companies that service the area are Zippy Disposal (Chelan area), G-121 and Sunrise Disposal (Grant County and a small service area is in Douglas County), G-201.

The 2024-2029 Plan proposes to increase county solid waste fees by approximately 2 percent each year to keep up with inflation. As a result, there will be a minimal rate impact to ratepayers

served by regulated solid waste collection companies in Douglas County.

Projected Disposal Fees	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
County Waste Hauler Fee	\$197	\$199	\$201	\$203	\$205	\$207
Fee Per Ton	3.32	3.31	3.31	3.31	3.31	3.30
Per Ton Increase	0	0	0	0	0	0
Projected Rate Increases	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Residential						
Monthly Rate for One 32-Gallon Can Per Week Service	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32
Commercial						
One Yard Per Pick Up	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75

Note: Rates are from Waste Management of Wenatchee

Staff has no further comments on the Plan.

Please direct questions or comments about the Commission’s plan review process to Byron Davis at (360) 664-1244 or byron.davis@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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