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Ms. Amanda Maxwell
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE,
Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Tariff Submittal, Tariff Number 15, Empire Disposal, Inc. G-75.

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Our Company has been notified by Whitman County Department of Public Works that the tipping fee at the Whitman County Transfer Station will increase from \$114.00 to \$119.00 per ton, a 4.39% increase, effective January 1, 2023. Additionally, our Company was notified by the City of Spokane that the tipping fee at the Waste to Energy Plant will increase from \$117.16 to \$120.56 per ton, a 2.9% increase, and the tip fee at Spokane County Transfer Stations will increase from \$112.00 to \$114.00 per ton, a 1.79% increase, effective January 1, 2023. We project this will increase revenue for the residential service by \$17,750 (1.05%); for commercial service by \$16,700 (1.33%); and drop box service by \$4,400 (3.95%) for a 12-month period. There are approximately 5,000 residential, 900 commercial, and 18 drop box customers affected by these changes.

The last general rate increase for Empire Disposal was approved by the Commission, April 1, 2018.

Attached are revised tariff pages and supporting documentation containing the revised rates.

We respectfully ask that this filing be accepted under LSN, per WAC 480-70-276. If the LSN is accepted and these rates are approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, the rates will become effective on January 1, 2023. Pursuant to WAC 480-70-271(2)(a)(iii), affected customers will receive notification of this change on the billing reflecting the revised rates.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (360) 566.6925, or via email at Lindsay.Waldram@WasteConnections.com.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Waldram
Senior Pricing Analyst