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**WASTE MANAGEMENT**

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Jeff Killip, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
621 Woodland Square Loop SE  
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Subject: Waste Management of Greater Wenatchee, a division of Waste Management of Washington, Inc.(G-237); Tariff #14

Dear Mr. Killip:

Enclosed, please find revised pages, 2, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 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 Greater Wenatchee Regional Landfill & Recycling Center (GWRLF). The GWRLF notified us of an increase in landfill disposal fee rates on January 15, 2024. Rates at the landfill for MSW waste will increase from \$80.33 to \$85.85 per ton on April 1, 2024. The increased rates, if approved by the commission, would approximately increase Company revenue by approximately \$87,000 and residential and commercial garbage rates collectively by 1.6%. The effective date of these proposed tariff revisions is requested to be April 1, 2024.

Additionally, the Douglas County Collection fee to residential and commercial customers in unincorporated Douglas County is set to expire on March 31, 2024. A new fee will be established but we are awaiting calculations from the county on what the fee will be. Upon receipt, we will submit revised tariff pages and workpapers documenting the fee. This fee is charged in accordance with Douglas County Solid Waste Collection Fee Ordinance, C.E. 94-014.

Enclosed for your review are our accounting work papers that reflect customers counts and tonnages from our last general rate filing approved in TG-181016. There have been no significant changes in the operations of Waste Management of Greater Wenatchee since this prior case. A copy of the letter from the GWRLF notifying us and other haulers of the increase in disposal fees and Chelan County contract amendment is enclosed for your review. Upon approval by the Commission of this filing, affected customers will be notified of this rate increase on their next regularly scheduled billing.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (503) 956-8594.

Very truly yours,

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