

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Docket No. TG-990161, General Order No. R-479, filed 3/23/01, effective 4/23/01)

**WAC 480-70-076 Regulatory fees.** A regulatory fee is an annual assessment paid by each company to cover the costs of regulating the solid waste industry.

(1) The maximum regulatory fee is set by statute at one percent of gross intrastate operating revenue. ~~((Each year, the commission may set the regulatory fee at an amount less than the statutory maximum. The minimum fee can be no less than one dollar.))~~

(a) The maximum regulatory fee is assessed each year, unless the commission issues an order establishing the regulatory fee at an amount less than the statutory maximum.

(b) The minimum regulatory fee that a solid waste collection company must pay is twenty dollars.

(c) The twenty dollar minimum regulatory fee is waived for any solid waste collection company with less than two thousand dollars in gross intrastate operating revenue.

(2) A company must pay its regulatory fee by ~~((April))~~ May 1 of each year.

(3) The commission does not grant extensions for payment of regulatory fees.

(4) If a company does not pay its regulatory fee by ~~((April))~~ May 1, the commission will assess an automatic late fee of two percent of the amount due, plus one percent interest for each month the fee remains unpaid.

(5) The commission may ~~((issue penalty assessments, or))~~ take action to suspend or cancel a certificate, if a company fails to pay its regulatory fee.