

MINUTES

Thursday, August 26, 2021

9:30 A.M.

PRESENT: David Danner, Chairman
Jay Balasbas, Commissioner
Ann Rendahl, Commissioner

The regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Thursday, August 26, 2021 by Chairman Danner. Mark Vasconi, Director, Regulatory Services, indicated no changes to the agenda. Chairman Danner indicated item E5, Docket No. UW-210564, Pelican Point Water Company; Cascadia Water, LLC, Transfer of Property, was moved to the discussion portion of the agenda.

E)1. Consent
00:00 mp3

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to approve the consent agenda and directs the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0).

UTILITIES:

- A)1 (E5). 3:34 mp4 Docket Number UW-210564; Pelican Point Water Company; Cascadia Water, LLC; Joint application for the sale and transfer of the water system assets and operations of Pelican Point Water Company (Pelican Point) to Cascadia Water, LLC. Pelican Point serves approximately 450 customers near Moses Lake in Grant County. Pelican Point's last rate update was April 2007 for \$24,360 (18 percent). Transfer of Property

Appearances: Jim Ward, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order in Docket UW-210564, granting the application for sale and transfer of assets from Pelican Point Water Company to Cascadia Water LLC, filed on July 16, 2021 and tariff adoption to become effective September 01, 2021 and to direct the Secretary to sign the order. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

TRANSPORTATION:

B)1. 6:27 mp4 Docket Number TG-210436; Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Pacific Disposal, Butlers Cove Refuse Service and Rural Garbage Service; Proposed tariff revision to recover \$235,895 (0.87 percent) of incremental COVID-19 costs over a two-year period beginning September 1, 2021, and ending August 31, 2023. The company provides solid waste collection service to 61,000 residential customers in Thurston County. The company's last general rate case became effective on August 1, 2019. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Scott Sevall, staff; Heather Garland, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc.; Patricia Sanders, consumer

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue orders granting exemption from workpaper rules in WAC 480-07-520(4) and allow the revised tariff pages filed under Dockets TG-210436, TG-210437, TG-210457, TG-210459, TG-210561, and TG-210580, to take effect September 1, 2021. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)2. 6:27 mp4 Docket Number TG-210437; HAROLD LEMAY ENTERPRISES, INC., d/b/a Pierce County Refuse; Proposed tariff revision to recover \$252,860 (0.73 percent) of incremental COVID-19 costs over a two-year period beginning August 1, 2021, and ending July 31, 2023. The company provides solid waste collection service to 55,000 residential and 5,000 commercial customers in Pierce County and 4,200 residential customers on JBLM. The company's last general rate increase took effect May 1, 2020. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Scott Sevall, staff; Heather Garland, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc.; Patricia Sanders, consumer

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue orders granting exemption from workpaper rules in WAC 480-07-520(4) and allow the revised tariff pages filed under Dockets TG-210436, TG-210437, TG-210457, TG-210459, TG-210561, and TG-210580, to take effect September 1, 2021. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)3. 6:27 mp4 Docket Number TG-210457; Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a City Sanitary Co., Joe's Refuse Service and White Pass Garbage Co. ; Proposed tariff revision to recover \$74,864 (0.87 percent) of incremental COVID-19 costs over a two-year period beginning September 1, 2021, and ending August 31, 2023. Each

tariff rate would be increased by 0.44 percent during the two-year period. The company provides solid waste collection service to 51,290 customers in Lewis County. The company's last general rate case became effective August 1, 2020. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Scott Sevall, staff; Heather Garland, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc.; Patricia Sanders, consumer

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue orders granting exemption from workpaper rules in WAC 480-07-520(4) and allow the revised tariff pages filed under Dockets TG-210436, TG-210437, TG-210457, TG-210459, TG-210561, and TG-210580, to take effect September 1, 2021. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

- B)4. 6:27 mp4 Docket Number TG-210459; MURREY'S DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC.; Proposed tariff revision to recover \$350,450 (0.91 percent) of incremental COVID-19 costs over a two-year period beginning August 1, 2021, and ending July 31, 2023. Each tariff rate would be increased by 0.4 percent. The company services approximately 60,500 residential; 1,800 commercial; 2,900 multi-family, 277 roll-off; 60,900 residential recycling; 2,700 multi-family recycling; and 37,000 yard waste customers in Pierce County. The company's general rate increase took effect January 1, 2019. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Scott Sevall, staff; Heather Garland, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc.; Patricia Sanders, consumer

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue orders granting exemption from workpaper rules in WAC 480-07-520(4) and allow the revised tariff pages filed under Dockets TG-210436, TG-210437, TG-210457, TG-210459, TG-210561, and TG-210580, to take effect September 1, 2021. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

- B)5. 6:27 mp4 Docket Number TG-210561; YAKIMA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC.; Proposed tariff revision to recover \$136,007 (1.18 percent) of incremental COVID-19 costs over a two-year period beginning August 1, 2021, and ending July 31, 2023. Each tariff rate would be increased by 0.60 percent. The company provides service to approximately 12,700 residential solid waste; 8,600 commercial solid waste; 400 roll-off; 3,000 residential recycling; and 600 yard waste customers affected by this change. The company's last general rate increase became effective on October 1, 2017. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Scott Sevall, staff; Heather Garland, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc.; Patricia Sanders, consumer

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue orders granting exemption from workpaper rules in WAC 480-07-520(4) and allow the revised tariff pages filed under Dockets TG-210436, TG-210437, TG-210457, TG-210459, TG-210561, and TG-210580, to take effect September 1, 2021. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

- B)6. 41:50 mp4 Docket Number TG-210562; CARROLL-NASLUND DISPOSAL SERVICE, INC.; Proposed general rate increase request that would generate approximately \$212,000 (16.0 percent) in additional annual revenue. The company provides regulated solid waste collection to approximately 13,000 residential and commercial customers in Asotin and Garfield Counties. The company's last general rate increase became effective on April 1, 2016. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Tiffany Van Meter, staff

Disposition: The Commissioners took no action, allowing the tariff revisions filed by Carroll-Nalund Disposal Service, Inc. on July 16, 2021, as revised on August 23, 2021, to go into effect September 1, 2021, by operation of law.

- B)7. 44:45 mp4 Docket Number TG-210567; RABANCO LTD.; Proposed general rate increase request that would generate approximately \$555,000 (4.5 percent) additional annual revenue. The company provides regulated solid waste collection and recycling service to approximately 51,000 residential customers in King and Snohomish Counties. The company's last general rate increase became effective on July 1, 2019. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Greg Hammond, staff

Disposition: The Commissioners took no action, thereby allowing the tariff pages filed on July 16, 2021, by Rabanco Ltd, d/b/a Lynnwood Disposal, as revised on August 19, 2021, to take effect September 1, 2021, by operation of law.

- B)8. 6:27 mp4 Docket Number TG-210580; Waste Connections of Washington, Inc.; Proposed tariff revision to recover \$236,200 (1.00 percent) of incremental COVID-19 costs over a two-year period beginning September 1, 2021, and ending August 31, 2023. The company provides service to approximately 70,700 residential solid waste; 4,200 commercial solid waste; 300 roll-off customers in Clark County. The company's last general rate increase became effective on January 1, 2018. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Scott Sevall, staff; Heather Garland, Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc.; Patricia Sanders, consumer

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue orders granting exemption from workpaper rules in WAC 480-07-520(4) and allow the revised tariff pages filed under Dockets TG-210436, TG-210437, TG-210457, TG-210459, TG-210561, and TG-210580, to take effect September 1, 2021. Commissioner Balasbas seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.

RECESSED: No Recessed items for this agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Attested by _____
Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director