# **MINUTES**

#### Thursday, March 23, 2023 9:30 A.M.

#### PRESENT: David Danner, Chairman Milt Doumit, Commissioner Ann Rendahl, Commissioner

The virtual meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Thursday, March 23, 2023 by Chairman Danner. Neiri Carrasco, Director, Regulatory Services, indicated that item E1, Docket TV-210535, Clutter, Inc., was moved to the discussion portion of the agenda, item F9, Docket UW-230169, Washington Water Service Company, has been added to the No Action agenda.

#### E)1. Consent 09:32 mp4

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

## UTILITIES: No Utilities items for this agenda.

## **TRANSPORTATION:**

E)1; B)1 2:47 mp4 Docket Number TV-210535; Clutter Inc.; Petition to extend the waivers from Tariff 15-C and certain provisions of WAC 480-15 granted in Order 02 of this docket until June 30, 2023, or until the Commission completes its review of Tariff 15-C, whichever occurs sooner. The Company provides Household Goods moving services. Petition for Exemption

Appearances: Mike Young, Andrew Roberts, staff; James Tutton, Chad Stokes, Clutter Inc.

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to grant the motion filed by Clutter, Inc. in Docket No. TV-210535, on March 10, 2023, to extend the exemption issued in Order 01 in this docket, until June 30, 2023 or until staff finishes it's review of tariff 15, whichever occurs sooner. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0) B)2. 19:50 mp4 Docket Number TG-230058; Rabanco Ltd.; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$1.2 Million (9.3 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage, recycling, and yard waste services. Staff and the Company have agreed to a lower additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$1.1 Million (8.7 percent) resulting in lower revised rates. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 28,500 residential, 28,500 recycling, 19,000 yard waste, 550 multi-family, and 1,600 commercial customers in King and Snohomish Counties. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on September 1, 2021. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Benjamin Sharbono, Jeff Roberson staff ; Rick Waldren Republic Services

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved in Docket No. TG-230058, that the commission allow the tariff revision filed by Rabanco Ltd. d/b/a Lynnwood Disposal, Republic Services, on January 24, 2023, as revised March 17, 2023, to become effective April 1, 2023, subject to the condition that within 12 months, the company file information with the commission to demonstrate that it looked at other vendors for comparison shopping as well as provide the actual expenses and invoices for the fuel over the last 12 months to demonstrate the need for this charge and rates. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)3. 1:02:13 mp4 Docket Number TG-230103; Kent-Meridian Disposal Company; General rate increase request that generates approximately \$1,093,100 (9.2 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage services. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 22,000 residential and commercial customers in King County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on March 15, 2022. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Mike Young, staff; Rick Waldren, Republic Services

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved, in Docket TG-230103, that the commission allow the tariff pages filed by Kent-Meridian Disposal Company d/b/a as Republic Services of Kent and Allied Waste Services of Kent on February 15, 2023 as revised on March 20, 2023, to become effective April 1, 2023 by operation of law, subject to the condition that the company file, within 12 months, with the commission, to demonstrate through actual expenses and invoices, the actual cost of fuel and as well as the company's efforts to obtain competitive bids and costs from other fuel vendors. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)4. 1:08:36 mp4 Docket Number TS-230117; Arrow Launch Service, Inc. ; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$1.36 Million (23.2 percent) additional annual revenue. Staff and the Company have agreed to a lower additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$1.21 Million (19.7 percent) resulting in lower revised rates. The Company provides launch services throughout Puget Sound. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on March 27, 2020. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Benjamin Sharbono, staff; Randy Click, CGI Shipping

Disposition: The Commissioners took no action, thereby allowing the tariff to go into effect by operation of law.

B)5. 1:16:24 mp4 Docket Number TG-230124; Murrey's Disposal Company, Inc.; General rate increase request that will generate approximately \$32,000 (19.22 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of medical waste. The Company provides regulated medical waste collection service to approximately 350 customers in Pierce County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on February 1, 2023. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Rachel Stark, staff; Lindsay Waldram, Waste Connections of Washington, Inc.

Disposition: The Commissioners took no action, thereby allowing the tariff to go into effect by operation of law.

## **OTHER:** No Other items for this agenda.

## **RECESSED:** No Recessed items for this agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

Attested by \_\_\_\_\_

Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director