## **MINUTES**

Thursday, May 25, 2023 9:30 A.M.

PRESENT: David Danner, Chairman

Milt Doumit, Commissioner Ann Rendahl, Commissioner

The regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Thursday, May 25, 2023 by Chairman Danner. Neiri Carrasco, Director, Regulatory Services, indicated that item F18, Docket No. TG-230382, Waste Management of Washington, Inc., was added to the agenda.

## E)1. Consent 00:00 mp4

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 Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0).

**UTILITIES:** No Utilities items for this agenda.

## TRANSPORTATION:

B)1. 13:33 mp4 Docket Number TG-230184; Basin Disposal of Washington, LLC; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$710,000 (30.49 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage services. Staff and the Company have agreed to a lower additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$327,121 (12.5 percent) resulting in lower revised rates. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 4,800 residential. 480 commercial, and 44 drop box customers in Walla Walla County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on June 1, 2010. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Jaclynn Simmons, staff; Francisco Alcala, Basin Disposal of Washington, LLC

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved, in Docket TG-230184, to issue an order allowing tariff pages filed by Basin Disposal of Washington, LLC, on March 17, 2023, as revised on May 18, 2023, to become effective June 1, 2023, and require Basin Disposal of Washington, LLC to provide a cost-of-service analysis with its next general rate case. Commissioner Doumit seconded the

motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)2. 18:17 mp4 Docket Number TG-230187; Basin Disposal Inc.; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$1.46 Million (38.8 percent) increase in annual revenue for the collection of garbage services. Staff and the Company have agreed to a lower additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$1.23 Million (23.4 percent) resulting in lower revised rates. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 4,250 residential, 685 commercial, and 85 drop box customers in Benton, Franklin, and Walla Walla Counties. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on June 1, 2017. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Benjamin Sharbono, staff; Francisco Alcala, Basin Disposal Inc.

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved, in Docket No. TG-230187 and Docket No. TG-230189, to issue an Order allowing tariff revisions filed by Basin Disposal Inc. and Ed's Disposal, Inc on March 17, 2023, as revised May 18, 2023, to become effective on June 1, 2023, and requiring Basin Disposal Inc. and Ed's Disposal, Inc to submit a general rate case with an effective date of June 1, 2028, to remove amortized legal expenses, and submit a cost-of-service analysis with its next rate case. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)3. 27:31 mp4 Docket Number TG-230188; Basin Disposal of Yakima, LLC; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$317,000 (29.63 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage services. Staff and the Company have agreed to a higher additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$353,031 (33 percent) resulting in lower revised rates. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 2,000 residential, 650 commercial, and 60 drop box customers in Yakima County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on June 1, 2010. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Jaclynn Simmons, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order, in Docket TG-230188, allowing tariff pages filed by Basin Disposal of Yakima, LLC, on March 17, 2023, as revised on May 18, 2023, to become effective June 1, 2023, and require Basin Disposal of Yakima, LLC to provide a cost-of-service analysis with its next general rate case. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)4. 18:17 mp4 Docket Number TG-230189; Ed's Disposal, Inc; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$82,000 (3.5 percent) decrease in annual revenue for the collection of garbage services. Staff and the Company have agreed to a lower additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$-86,000 (-3.2 percent) resulting in lower revised rates. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 3,800 residential, 289 commercial, and 23 drop box customers in Benton County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on June 1, 2017. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Benjamin Sharbono, staff; Francisco Alcala, Ed's Disposal, Inc.

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved, in Docket No. TG-230187 and Docket No. TG-230189, to issue an Order allowing tariff revisions filed by Basin Disposal Inc. and Ed's Disposal, Inc on March 17, 2023, as revised May 18, 2023, to become effective on June 1, 2023, and requiring Basin Disposal Inc. and Ed's Disposal, Inc to submit a general rate case with an effective date of June 1, 2028, to remove amortized legal expenses, and submit a cost-of-service analysis with its next rate case. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

B)5. 32:25 mp4 Docket Number TG-230256; Rabanco Ltd.; General rate increase request that, as originally filed, would have generated approximately \$534,000 (22.1 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage services. Staff and the Company have agreed to a higher additional annual revenue amount of approximately \$538,500 (22.3 percent) resulting in higher revised rates. The Company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 4,850 garbage customers in Klickitat County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on April 1, 2022. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Benjamin Sharbono, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order, in Docket No. TG-230256, allowing tariff pages filed by Rabanco Ltd., d/b/a Tri-County Disposal; Republic Services on April 13, 2023, as revised on May 15, 2023, to become effective June 1, 2023, by operation of law, and requiring the Company one year from now to file invoices of actual fuel costs for the previous 12 months and documentation that the Company has sought competitive bids from multiple fuel vendors. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

Chairman Danner recessed the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

Chairman Danner reconvened the meeting on June 01, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.

## **RECESSED:**

D)1. 0:00 mp4 Docket Number UG-220131; Cascade Natural Gas Corporation; NOTICE: This item will be heard on Thursday, June 1, at 9:30 a.m. The Company's 2023 Integrated Resource Plan. Plan

Appearances: Byron Harmon, staff; Mark Sellers-Vaughn, Brian Robertson, Caleb Reimer, Abbie Krebsbach, Devin McGreal, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation; Dan Serres, Columbia Riverkeepers; Chris Connolly, NW Energy Coalition; Selden Prentis, 350 Seattle; Kelly Hall, Climate Solutions

This discussion was for information purposes only.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Attested by \_\_\_\_\_ Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director