



Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal

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From: Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal Co., Inc.
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To: County of El Dorado, Environment Management Department
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Attention: Jeffrey Warren, REHS Director

Subject: Solid Waste Services Agreement – '25-'26 Rate Pass and Upcoming Renewal

Dear Jeffrey:

At this time of the year our rate application is typically due. Under the Solid Waste Services Agreement between TTSD and El Dorado County, the '25-'26 rate year is scheduled to be an interim rate-setting year, based mostly on the Garbage & Trash collection component of the CPI. Using the contract methodology, our mathematical calculation yields a rate adjustment of 3.83%. Normally, we would request this to be put into effect on July 1st, 2025; however, with customer participation in the area being voluntary, recent rate increases have proven counter-productive to our ability to continue servicing the area effectively on a non-mandatory basis.

With the current contract term expiring in late September of this year, our intention at this time is to not submit a rate request for the '25-'26 operating year. Instead, we request to meet with the County to discuss the implementation of mandatory service for inclusion within the terms of a possible extension to the existing contract term. For reference, this September will mark the end of the first of two possible three-year extensions to the original seven-year term, provisioned under the Solid Waste Services Agreement, dated September 29th, 2015.

To our knowledge, the El Dorado County area that we serve is the last remaining service area located within the Tahoe Basin where collection service has not been designated as mandatory. The consequence is an area that has experienced declining customer participation rates, decreased efficiencies in the operations required to serve customers (many who start and stop service seasonally), a higher cost of service for those customers in the community who elect to

participate, and extensive illegal dumping of garbage that impacts the area and adjacent jurisdictions. Conversion to mandatory service would offer a path to remedy the problems. It would significantly lower cost of service for individuals in the area, diminish illegal dumping (which in turn provides relief to the County's reliance upon organizations like Clean Tahoe), support the goals of local environmental stewardship, and ensure the best opportunity for our company to continue its work together with the County in providing this essential service to the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary R. Collins". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mary R. Collins
President

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