

Waste Connections, Inc./El Dorado Disposal unconscionable rate hike demand

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Clerk of the Board

El Dorado County Board of Supervisors

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Dear Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing you today to express my extreme opposition to the proposed rate increases to be mandated for El Dorado Disposal (Waste Connections, Inc.) starting in 2010. It has been brought to my attention that EDD will request several rate increases without precluding its "right" to ask for more yet increases in successive years. These increases could commence as early as the Board Hearing of January 12, 2010.

It is time to stop the constantly spiral of EDD/Waste Connections, Inc's. gouging of the public. This rate hike request is very suspicious as it follows on the heels of the soaring 24% increase in profit enjoyed by Waste Connections last year.

These hikes in essential services to El Dorado County citizens are both unethical and financially punishing, especially when they are to be enacted during the most severe economic climate since the Great Depression. Those who will be most hurt by this action will be struggling families and the elderly who may have to sacrifice their food, transportation, and medical budgets in an attempt to pay for these added expenses for essential services.

Please note that I will be sharing my opposition to these proposed rate hikes at the Board Meeting and with everyone I know and we will be watching for your redress to our concerns closely.

Thank you for your time and immediate attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

Richard Boylan, Ph.D.