

## Notice of Utility Tariff Filing

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA (Commission) gives notice that Alaska Waste – Nome, LLC (AWN) filed TA42-655, a revenue requirement study based on a 2018 test year. With this filing, AWN is seeking an across-the-board permanent rate increase of 13.70 percent. In the event the Commission suspends this filing for further investigation, AWN requests an across-the-board interim rate increase of 7 percent, effective February 28, 2020. In addition, AWN is proposing the following changes to its tariff:

- Remove President’s Day and the day after Thanksgiving Day as holidays observed by the utility;
- Change the due date for standard can and commercial service from the invoice date to within fifteen days of the invoice date;
- Reduce the period after a bill when the utility will send written notice of termination of service to a delinquent customer from forty (40) to twenty-five (25) days;
- Reduce the period after mailing the notice of termination when the utility will discontinue service to a delinquent customer from fifteen (15) to ten (10) days;
- Add roll cart delivery/exchange and replacement fees;
- Amend the disposal surcharge methodology to discontinue the use of a balancing account; and
- Reduce the disposal surcharge to \$0.00 when the permanent rates are approved.

A comparison of selected current and proposed rates and fees is shown in the table below:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Interim</u>	<u>Permanent</u>
Residential Roll Cart (1 pick-up/wk)	\$27.90	\$29.85	\$31.72
Residential Roll Cart (2 pick-ups/wk)	\$55.80	\$59.71	\$63.44
Extra Cans/Bags (each)	N/A	N/A	\$3.66
Roll Cart Delivery/Exchange Fee	N/A	N/A	\$26.81
Light Commercial Can (1 pick-up/wk)	\$67.55	\$72.28	\$76.80
Heavy Commercial Can (1 pick-up/wk)	\$77.94	\$83.40	\$88.61
High Volume Commercial Service	\$1,798.23	\$1,924.11	\$2,044.50
Additional Pickup Service (per hour)	\$184.09	\$196.98	\$209.30
Drive In/Pack Out (per container) (30 feet or less)	\$6.15	\$6.58	\$6.99

AWN filed a request for waiver of the requirements of 3 AAC 48.275(a)(8), 3 AAC 48.275(a)(9), 3 AAC 48.275(a)(11), 3 AAC 48.275(a)(12), and 3 AAC 48.275(a)(13), requiring pro forma schedules of provision for income taxes, computation of rate base using a 13-month average, cash working capital, computation of cost of capital, and a schedule of long-term debt, respectively.

This notice may not contain all requested revisions and the Commission may approve a rate or classification which varies from that proposed. You may obtain more information

about this filing by contacting Heather Garland, Pricing Manager for AWN, at 501 SE Columbia Shores Blvd. Suite 350, Vancouver, WA 98661; phone: (360) 695-4923. The complete filing is also available for inspection at the Commission's office at 701 West 8th Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99501; phone: (907) 276-6222, or may be viewed at the Commission's website at <http://rca.alaska.gov> by typing "TA42-655" in the *Find a Matter* search box.

To comment on this filing, please file your comments by 5:00 p.m., January 23, 2020, at the Commission's address given above or via our website at:

<https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/WhatsNew/PublicNoticesComments.aspx>

Please reference TA42-655 and include a statement that you have filed a copy of the comments with AWN at its address given above. Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or service, or alternative communication formats, please contact Valerie Fletcher-Mitchell at (907) 276-6222, toll-free at 1-800-390-2782, TTY/Alaska Relay: 7-1-1 or 1-800-770-8973 or send a request via electronic mail to [rca.mail@alaska.gov](mailto:rca.mail@alaska.gov) by January 16, 2020.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

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Julie C. Vogler  
Finance Section Manager