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MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director

RE: Clean Earth Environmental Solutions, Inc. – Waste Collection & Storage Facility
              Contract Amendment #9

DATE: December 7, 2022

Attached is a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Clean Earth Environmental Solutions, Inc. for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

The Whatcom County Hazardous Waste Management Plan requires hazardous waste education, the collection of moderate-risk waste at a collection and storage facility, and transportation of the collected waste materials to a treatment and/or disposal facility. Clean Earth Environmental Solutions, Inc. operates the County's moderate risk waste facility (known as Disposal of Toxics). This amendment increases annual funding from $400,000 to $440,000. This increase is attributed to 2022 price increases in labor and disposal and an increase in the amount of waste the facility has received in 2022. Staffing shortages experienced by the Contractor have contributed to the delays in receiving the information necessary to prepare this amendment. The amendment is backdated to match the date of the contractor's billing code updates.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

The operation of this facility is funded by the Department of Ecology Local Solid Waste Financial Assistance Agreement and the Solid Waste Fund. Funding for this contract period (01/01/22 – 12/31/2024) may not exceed $1,320,000 or $440,000 annually. Funding for this contract is included in the 2022-2023 budgets. Council authorization is required as the funding added by this amendment exceeds 10% of the amount previously authorized by Council.

Please contact Sue Sullivan, Environmental Health Manager at 360-778-6026 (SSulliva@co.whatcom.wa.us) or Kathleen Roy, Assistant Director at 360-778-6007 (KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us), if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

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