MOTION NO. 1550

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A MOTION declaring King County Council policy to work cooperatively with the twenty-nine Cities in King County to establish a regional County-wide solid waste management authority with the County as the lead agency.

WHEREAS, on April 22, 1974 the King County Council adopted

Motion No. 1539 declaring County policy on five decision

questions in the River Basin Coordinating Committee's (RIBCO)

"Solid Waste Management Study Decision Document" regarding future solid waste management, resource recovery, system competition and selection of the operational system; and

WHEREAS, the Basin Environment Committee at its May 8, 1974 meeting, will consider the selection of a managing authority for the regional solid waste system in King County for later recommendation to the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO) Council; and

WHEREAS, by RCW 70.95.080, King County is cooperating with the twenty-nine cities within King County, through RIBCO, in developing a comprehensive solid waste management plan for adoption in 1974, by the Councils of the County and these Cities; and

WHEREAS, upon adoption of the said comprehensive solid waste management plan, RCW 70.95 160 prescribes implementation of said comprehensive solid waste management plan in conformance with regulations adopted by the Seattle-King County Health Department, which issues the permits for all such system facilities; and

WHEREAS, RCW 70.95.020 assigns the "... primary responsibility for adequate solid waste handling to local government..."; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the King County Council that the solid waste management operation of King County become a self supporting utility; and WHEREAS, King County already possesses an ongoing program of management and operations through a county-wide (outside Seattle) disposal system including transfer stations and landfills. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: The Council and the Executive work cooperatively with the twenty-nine Cities in King County to establish a regional County-wide solid waste management authority with the County as the lead agency. Further, the design of the operational system should be sufficiently flexible to allow for the operation of the facilities by other than the managing authority. 6 day of PASSED this KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON ATTEST: