

WAC 173-328-060 Fee assessment. (1) After legislative approval of a budget for the department, the department may bill the facility owner/operator the required fees necessary to fund all mixed waste management costs.

(2) Anticipated fees. Anticipated fees include, but are not limited to, costs for permit issuance, permit maintenance, closure plan approval, and compliance audits.

(a) The department shall annually bill the owners/operators of all mixed waste facilities on or before October 1st for anticipated department activities to be performed that fiscal year.

(b) The department shall notify a facility owner/operator of any changes to the biennial estimate prior to sending each annual bill.

(c) The fee shall be submitted by the facility owner/operator to the department within thirty days after receipt of the bill.

(d) Any fees collected in excess of the department's actual costs will be adjusted in the subsequent billing to reflect the department's actual activities.

(3) Unanticipated fees. Unanticipated fees include, but are not limited to, the direct and indirect costs, as outlined in WAC 173-328-040, for unplanned enforcement activities, compliance activities, and facility modifications.

(a) The department may bill the owner/operator of a mixed waste facility upon completion of the unanticipated activity.

(b) The facility owner/operator shall be billed the amount of all direct and indirect costs incurred by the department to complete the unplanned regulatory activity.

(c) The unanticipated fee shall be submitted by the facility owner/operator to the department within thirty days after the receipt of the bill.

(4) Fees collected by the department shall be deposited into the state toxics control account.

(5) The fee shall not exceed the amount necessary for the department to carry out its duties under chapter 173-303 WAC.

(6) The department shall maintain a system of accountability to track annual costs incurred by the department.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 70.105.280. WSR 93-09-065 (Order 91-24), § 173-328-060, filed 4/20/93, effective 5/21/93.]