# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### **FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

 QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2007

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period

from to

#### Commission file number 1-31507

#### WASTE CONNECTIONS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### **Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

#### 94-3283464

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

### 35 Iron Point Circle, Suite 200, Folsom, CA 95630

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

#### (916) 608-8200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was

required to file such reports); and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes b No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer £ Non-accelerated filer £

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes " No b

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock:

As of October 15, 2007: 67,967,043 shares of common stock

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## PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

# $\label{eq:waste_connections} Waste connections, inc. \\ condensed consolidated balance sheets$

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	December 31, 2006		Sep	otember 30, 2007
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and equivalents	\$	34,949	\$	13,089
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3,489 and \$4,098 at				
December 31, 2006 and September 30, 2007, respectively		100,269		124,616
Deferred income taxes		9,373		12,645
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		15,642		14,726
Total current assets		160,233		165,076
Property and equipment, net		736,428		855,872
Goodwill		750,397		784,948
Intangible assets, net		86,098		90,252
Restricted assets		15,917		16,999
Other assets, net		24,818		22,129
	\$	1,773,891	\$	1,935,276
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	53,010	\$	58,498
Book overdraft		-		6,495
Accrued liabilities		57,810		70,250
Deferred revenue		32,161		41,620
Current portion of long-term debt and notes payable		6,884		12,098
Total current liabilities		149,865		188,961
Long-term debt and notes payable		637,308		687,595
Other long-term liabilities		16,712		30,759
Deferred income taxes		205,532		212,348
Total liabilities		1,009,417		1,119,663
Commitments and contingencies (Note 12)				
Minority interests		27,992		28,700
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock: \$0.01 par value per share; 7,500,000 shares authorized; none issued				
and outstanding		-		-
Common stock: \$0.01 par value per share; 150,000,000 shares authorized;				
68,266,038 and 67,882,968 shares issued and outstanding at				
December 31, 2006 and September 30, 2007, respectively		455		679
Additional paid-in capital		310,229		284,326
Retained earnings		422,731		501,727
Accumulated other comprehensive income		3,067		181

Total stockholders' equity	736,482	786,913
	\$ 1,773,891	\$ 1,935,276

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

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# WASTE CONNECTIONS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended September 30, 2006 2007			Nine months ended September 30, 2006 2007				
Revenues	\$	216,547	\$	250,775	\$	613,686	\$	710,811
Operating expenses:		,		,		,		,
Cost of operations		128,709		145,790		368,346		416,234
Selling, general and administrative		21,424		25,782		61,846		74,482
Depreciation and amortization		19,072		22,196		56,040		62,716
Loss (gain) on disposal of assets		(189)		(97)		(35)		95
Operating income		47,531		57,104		127,489		157,284
Interest expense		(7,572)		(8,717)		(21,685)		(24,830)
Other income (expense), net		141		(174)		(3,840)		243
Income before income taxes and minority interests		40,100		48,213		101,964		132,697
Minority interests		(3,719)		(4,175)		(9,748)		(11,145)
Income from operations before income taxes		36,381		44,038		92,216		121,552
Income tax provision		(14,508)		(15,356)		(35,420)		(45,225)
Net income	\$	21,873	\$	28,682	\$	56,796	\$	76,327
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.32	\$	0.42	\$	0.83	\$	1.12
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.31	\$	0.41	\$	0.81	\$	1.08
Shares used in calculating basic income per share		8,235,948		68,022,587		8,166,312		8,358,534
Shares used in calculating diluted income per share	6	9,895,736	(	59,868,793	7	0,404,437	7	0,350,770

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# WASTE CONNECTIONS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Nine months ended September 30, 2007 (Unaudited) (In thousands, except share amounts)

## STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

C	Common Stock				Additional Paid-In	Accumulated Other		D. A. Sand	
C	omprehensive Income Shares				Capital	Comprehensive Income (Loss)		Retained Earnings	Total
Balances at									
December 31, 20	06 68,266,03	3 \$	455	\$	310,229	\$	3,067	\$ 422,731	\$ 736,482
Stock split		-	228		-		-	(228)	-
Vesting of restrict stock	ted 112,14	3	1		(1)		_	_	_
Cancellation of unvested restricted	·								(1.555)
stock		-	-		(1,577)		-	-	(1,577)
Stock-based compensation		-	-		4,636		-	-	4,636
Exercise of stock options and warrants	1,603,112	,	16		24,813				24,829
Excess tax benefit associated with equity-based compensation			10		24,013		-	-	24,029