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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

Person *	Address of Relatthew Step		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE CONNECTIONS, INC. [WCN]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/01/2012	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Origina Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
	ODLOCH I SUITE 400	FOREST		(Check	all applicable)	)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
(Street) THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380				Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Vice President - Tax			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-Derivat	tive Securiti	ties Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Sec (Instr. 4)	urity		2. Amount Beneficially (Instr. 4)	of Securities y Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr	-			
Common S	tock		4,436		D	Â				
Common S	tock		390 (1)		D	Â				
Common S	tock		767 <u>(2)</u>		D	Â				
Common S	tock		842 (3)		D	Â				
Common S	tock		1 (4)		D	Â				
Common S	tock		2 (5)		D	Â				
Common S	tock		2 (6)		D	Â				
Common S	tock		1,248 (7)		D	Â				
Common S	tock		5,871 <u>(8)</u>		D	Â				

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Black Matthew Stephen 10001 WOODLOCH FOREST DRIVE SUITE 400 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380	Â	Â	Vice President - Tax	Â		

### **Signatures**

Matthew Black 03/09/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

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- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 2/5/08. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in one installments commencing on 2/5/13.
- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 2/11/09. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one (2) share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in two installments commencing on 2/11/13.
- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 2/11/10. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in two installments commencing on 2/11/13.
- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 11/12/10. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one (4) share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in two installments commencing on 2/5/13.
- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 11/12/10. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one (5) share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in two installments commencing on 2/11/13.
- (6) This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 11/12/10. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest

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and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in two installments commencing on 2/11/13.

- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 2/11/11. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in three installments commencing on 2/11/13.
- This represents restricted stock units originally awarded 2/10/12. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock. Subject to the reporting person's continued service with issuer, the remainder of the award shall vest and the underlying shares of common stock shall be issued in four installments commencing on 2/10/13.

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