WASTE CONNECTIONS ANNOUNCES REGULAR QUARTERLY CASH DIVIDEND

THE WOODLANDS, TX, February 7, 2012 - Waste Connections, Inc. (NYSE: WCN) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.09 per share on the Company's common stock. The dividend will be paid on March 6, 2012, to stockholders of record on the close of business on February 21, 2012. The Board intends to review the quarterly dividend each October, with a long-term objective of increasing the amount of the dividend.

Waste Connections, Inc. is an integrated solid waste services company that provides solid waste collection, transfer, disposal and recycling services in mostly exclusive and secondary markets. The Company serves more than two million residential, commercial and industrial customers from a network of operations in 29 states. The Company also provides intermodal services for the movement of cargo and solid waste containers in the Pacific Northwest. Waste Connections, Inc. was founded in September 1997 and is headquartered in The Woodlands, Texas.

For more information, visit the Waste Connections web site at www.wasteconnections.com. Copies of financial literature, including this release, are available on the Waste Connections web site or through contacting us directly at (832) 442-2200.

<u>Information Regarding Forward-Looking Statements</u>

Certain statements contained in this release are forward-looking in nature, including statements related to the timing and amount of cash dividends. These statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "believes," "expects," "may," "will," "should," or "anticipates," or the negative thereof or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy. Our business and operations are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and, consequently, actual results may differ materially from those projected by any forward looking statements. These risks and uncertainties, as well as others, are discussed in greater detail in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. There may be additional risks of which we are not presently aware or that we currently believe are immaterial which could have an adverse impact on our business. We make no commitment to revise or update any forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances that may change.

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