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1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Shea Patrick James Issuer Symbol WASTE CONNECTIONS, INC. (Check all applicable) [WCN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 10001 WOODLOCH FOREST 02/05/2012 VP, General Counsel & Secretary DRIVE, SUITE 400 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

(State)

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(Chij)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect			
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership		
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
					(4)		Reported				
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	02/05/2012		F	379 (1)	D	\$ 32.93	30,941	D			
Common Stock	02/05/2012		F	1 (1)	D	\$ 32.93	30,940	D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	J
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
Security					Acquired						J
	_				(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	or		
									Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shea Patrick James 10001 WOODLOCH FOREST DRIVE SUITE 400 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

VP, General Counsel & Secretary

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Signatures

Patrick Shea 02/07/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Represents shares withheld by the Company from an award of restricted stock units in satisfaction of the applicable withholding taxes due as a result of the vesting of those restricted stock units, through an automatic share withholding procedure. Pursant to this procedure, the Company withholds, as the units vest, a portion of the vested shares issuable under the award with a fair market value (measured as of the vesting date) equal to the amount of such withholding.

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