LITTLE JAMES Form 4

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### FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** LITTLE JAMES			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE CONNECTIONS, INC. [WCN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  10001 WOODLOCH FOREST  DRIVE, SUITE 400			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2012	_X Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street) THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380		X 77380	4. If Amendment, Date Original  Filed(Month/Day/Year)  Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Repor  Form filed by More than OPerson				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative :	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/10/2012		A	11,532 (2)	A	\$0	52,659	D	
Common Stock	02/11/2012		F	804 (1)	D	\$ 31.48	51,855	D	
Common Stock	02/11/2012		F	3 (1)	D	\$ 31.48	51,852	D	
Common Stock	02/11/2012		F	1,063 (1)	D	\$ 31.48	50,789	D	
Common Stock	02/11/2012		F	4 (1)	D	\$ 31.48	50,785	D	

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Common Stock 02/11/2012 F  $796 \frac{(1)}{2}$  D  $\frac{\$}{31.48}$  49,989 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)

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				Code V	4, and 5)	Exercisable	•	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares			

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LITTLE JAMES 10001 WOODLOCH FOREST DRIVE SUITE 400

X Vice President Engineering

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

#### **Signatures**

James Little 02/14/2012

\*\*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. Pursuant 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 taxes.

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This represents an award of restricted stock units. 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 the issuer, the award shall vest in four equal, annual installments, commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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