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| 1 Nome | and Address | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 6 Palationship of |
| 1 .Name and Address of Reporting Person | | Waste Connections Inc. / WCNX | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) t Issuer |

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| Mittelstaedt, Ronald J. (Last) (First) | (Middle) | 3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) | | | 2001 | | Check all application Director Owner X_Officer Other title below) Chairman, Proand C.E.O. | (give (specify below) | _10% |
|--|------------------------|--|---------------------|---|-------------|---------------|---|-----------------------------|--|
| N20 Coolidge Drive, Suite 350 (Street) | | | Date o | Amendi of Origi h/Year) | nal | (Check Ap | 7. Individual Joint/Group F plicable Line) filed by One Report iled by More than O Person | Filing | |
| Folsom, CA 95630 (City) (State) (Zip) | Tabl | le I - Non-Deriva | ative Securi | ties Acc | quired, Dis | posed of, | or Beneficial | ly Owned | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | act Da (IM Da | 8) Ionth/ | A 01 (I (I | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 AND 5) | | | 5. Amount Own of ship SecuritiesForm: BeneficiaDyrect Owned (D) at or End Indirect of (I) Month | | Natured Nature |
| | | Code | V A | mount | (A) or (D) | Price | (Ins (Instr. 4) 3 and 4) | tr. 4 | 1) |
| Common Stock | 10/26/0 |)1 M | 2,83 | 3 . | A \$10. | 25 587, | 053 D | | |
| Common Stock | 10/26/0 |)1 S | 2,83 | 3 | D \$30. | 587,053 75 | D | | |
| | 10/26/01 | S | 39,900 | D | \$30.75 | 587,053 | D | | |

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| Common Stock | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|----------|---|--------|---|---------|---------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 10/29/01 | M | 20,501 | A | \$10.25 | 587,053 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/29/01 | S | 20,501 | D | \$30.16 | 587,053 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/29/01 | M | 33,333 | A | \$17.94 | 587,053 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/29/01 | S | 33,333 | D | \$29.69 | 587,053 | D | |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price | 3. Fransaction Date (Month/ | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/ | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative |
| 4) | of Deri- vative Security | Day/ Year) | | (A) or Disposed of (D) | Year). | Security (Inst. 4) |

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| | | | | | | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | |
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| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exer- cisable | Expira- tion Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$10.25 | 10/26/01 | М | | | 2,833 | 4/14/2001 (1) | 4/14/2010 | Common Stock | 2,833 | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$10.25 | 10/29/01 | М | | | 20,501 | 4/14/2001 (1) | 4/14/2010 | Common Stock | 20,501 | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$17.9375 | 10/29/01 | M | | | 33,333 | 1/19/00 (2) | 1/19/2009 | Common Stock | 33,333 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

| 1) | Ontion for | 70 000 shares | 1/3 | exercisable or | 14/14/01 | 4/14/02 | and 4/14/03 |
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| | | | | | | | |

| 2) (| option for | 100,000 shares | 1/3 exercisable on 1/19/00. | , 1/19/01, and 1/19/02. |
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| /s/ Ronald J. Mittelstaedt | 11/12/01 |
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| Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| Ronald J. Mittelstaedt | |

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