

# Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA)

## Function of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) regulates public utilities by certifying qualified providers of public utility and pipeline services and ensuring that they provide safe and adequate services and facilities at just and reasonable rates, terms, and conditions.

## RCA and Refuse Utilities

The RCA's Consumer Protection & Information Section may investigate refuse utility issues including but not limited to:

### What the RCA Regulates

- Billing and Collection Requirements
- Can / Dumpster /Roll-On & Roll-Off Container Rates
- Cancellation/Discontinuance of Service
- Deposit Requirements
- Interval of Pickup
- Late Fees and Finance Charges
- Non-recurring Rates and Surcharges
- Quality of Service
- Curbside Pick up
- Safety Issues

### What the RCA Does Not Regulate

- Damage claims
- Curbside Recycling
- Commercial Refuse Services
- Solid Waste Services (operated by the Municipality of Anchorage)
- Landfill Services

## Simplified Rate Filing (SRF)

SRF is a process in which an electric cooperative may adjust its rates as frequently as quarterly but may not exceed a cumulative 20 percent in any three-year period or a cumulative eight percent in a 12-month period. Rate adjustments under SRF regulations are in addition to purchased and fuel cost rate adjustments (AS 42.05.381(e) and 3 AAC 48.700).

**More information available on the RCA Website**

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