

MITTELSTAEDT RONALD J  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MITTELSTAEDT RONALD J

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)  
2295 IRON POINT ROAD, SUITE 200  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/18/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chief Executive Officer

FOLSOM, CA 95630

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/18/2010		M	28,000 A \$ 22.01	156,198	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2010		S	28,000 D \$ 35.5183	128,198	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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.01	05/18/2010		M	28,000 (2)	02/23/2006	02/23/2015	Common Stock	28,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MITTELSTAEDT RONALD J 2295 IRON POINT ROAD SUITE 200 FOLSOM, CA 95630	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

Ronald  
Mittelstaedt  
05/20/2010  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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).
- (1) The zero in Table II, Column 8 is a placeholder only that is required by the EDGAR software and should be disregarded.

This option was originally reported as an option for 91,971 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$33.02 per share, but was adjusted to reflect WCI's 3-for-2 stock splits in the form of 50% stock dividends effective June 24, 2004, and March 13, 2007. Accordingly, on March 13, 2007, the option became exercisable for 137,957 shares at an exercise price of \$22.01 per share.

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