

MITTELSTAEDT RONALD J  
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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)  
 05/12/2010

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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/12/2010		M		41,900	A	\$ 22.01
Common Stock	05/12/2010		S		41,900	D	\$ 35.2786
Common Stock	05/12/2010		M		22,722	A	\$ 16.62
Common Stock	05/12/2010		S		22,722	D	\$ 35.2639
Common Stock	05/12/2010		M		6,015	A	\$ 16.62
							24,098
							203,198
							225,920
							203,198
							209,213

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Common Stock	05/12/2010	S	6,015	D	\$ 35.2639	203,198	D
Common Stock	05/12/2010	S	75,000	D	\$ 35.3198	128,198	D
Common Stock	05/13/2010	M	30,000	A	\$ 22.01	362,202	D
Common Stock	05/13/2010	G	30,000	D	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	98,198	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	05/12/2010		M	41,900 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/23/2006	02/23/2015	Common Stock	41,900
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.62	05/12/2010		M	22,722 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/03/2005	02/03/2014	Common Stock	22,722
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.62	05/12/2010		M	6,015 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/03/2005	02/03/2014	Common Stock	6,015
Employee Stock Option	\$ 22.01	05/13/2010		M	30,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/23/2006	02/23/2015	Common Stock	30,000

(Right to  
Buy)

## 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                      05/14/2010

    Signature of                      Date  
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 previously reported as an option for 153,491 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$24.93 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.

(2) Accordingly, on March 13, 2007, the date the stock dividend was paid, the option became exercisable for 230,237 shares at an exercise price of \$16.62 per share.

(3) This was a gift to a charitable foundation.

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

(4) 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.

This option was originally reported as an option for 4,010 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$24.93 per share, but was

(5) 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 6,015 shares at an exercise price of \$16.62 per share.

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