WASTE CONNECTIONS INC/DE Form SC 13G February 14, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G				
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934				
(Amendment No.) *				
Waste Connections, Inc.				
(Name of Issuer)				
Common Stock				
(Title of Class of Securities)				
941053100				
(CUSIP Number)				
December 31, 2005				
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)				
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:				
[X] Rule 13d-1(b)				
[] Rule 13d-1(c)				
[] Rule 13d-1(d)				
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	PORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.	OF ABOVE PERSON	
Columbi	a Wanger Asset Managemen	t, L.P. 04-3519872	
2 CHECK THE	APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEM	BER OF A GROUP*	(a) [_ (b) [_
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SHARES	2,402,349		
BENEFICIALLY	6 SHARED VOTING POWER		
OWNED BY	0		
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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer: Waste Connections, Inc. Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 35 Iron Point Circle, Suite 200 Folsom, CA 95630 ______ Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing: Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P. ("WAM") WAM Acquisition GP, Inc., the general partner of WAM ("WAM GP") Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office: WAM and WAM GP are located at: 227 West Monroe Street, Suite 3000 Chicago, Illinois 60606 ______ Item 2(c) Citizenship: WAM is a Delaware limited partnership and WAM GP is a Delaware corporation. Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock Item 2(e) CUSIP Number: 941053100 Item 3 Type of Person: (e) WAM is an Investment Adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; WAM GP is the General Partner of the Investment Adviser. Page 4 of 11 pages

Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2005):

(a) Amount owned "beneficially" within the meaning of rule 13d-3:

		2,402 GP: 2,402			
	(b) Percent	of class:			
		5.2% GP: 5.2%			
	(c) Number o	f shares as to	which such person has:		
	(1)	sole power to	vote or to direct the vote:		
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:			
	(2)	shared power t	o vote or to direct the vote:		
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:			
	(3)	sole power to of:	dispose or to direct the disposition		
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:			
	(4)	shared power t of:	o dispose or to direct disposition		
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:			
tem 5	Ownership of Fiv	e Percent or Le	ss of a Class:		
	Not Applicabl	е			
tem 6	Ownership of Mor	e than Five Per	cent on Behalf of Another Person:		
	Not Applicabl	е			
Item 7 Identification and Classification the Security Being Reported on by		on of the Subsidiary Which Acquired by the Parent Holding Company:			
	Not Applicable				
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Item 8	Identification a	nd Classificati	on of Members of the Group:		
	Not Applicabl	e 			

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Disclaimer

In accordance with Rule 13d-4 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the persons filing this statement expressly disclaim the beneficial ownership of the securities covered by this statement and the filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission by such persons that they are the beneficial owners of such securities.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 13, 2006

The undersigned corporation, on the date above written, agrees and consents to the joint filing on its behalf of this Schedule 13G in connection with its beneficial ownership of the security reported herein.

WAM Acquisition GP, Inc. for itself and as general partner of COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer Senior Vice President and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement dated as of February 13, 2006 by and among Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P. and WAM Acquisition GP, Inc.

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EXHIBIT 1

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing of the Schedule $13\mathrm{G}$ to which this Agreement is attached.

Dated: February 13, 2006

WAM Acquisition GP, Inc. for itself and as general partner of COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer Senior Vice President and Secretary