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Re: Rulemaking to Consider Possible Corrections and Changes to Selected Rules in WAC 480-07, Relating to Procedural Rules.
Docket A-072162

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) is pleased to enclose rules in WAC 480-07, relating to Procedural Rules and developed from the rulemaking activity in Docket A-072162.

The rules in WAC 480-07 are amended to “clean up” certain procedural rules, and modify the agency’s open meeting and delegation rules to allow for a more efficient open meeting process and to address some concerns in the delegation rules in order to promote efficiency in the conduct of business before the Commission.

Also enclosed is the Commission's Order Amending and Adopting Rules Permanently. The Commission filed the Order with the Code Reviser on August 22, 2008. It will be effective on September 22, 2008.

RCW 34.05.325 requires that the Commission prepare and provide to commenters a concise explanatory statement about an adopted rule.

In this docket, to avoid unnecessary duplications, the Commission has designated the discussion in the order as its concise explanatory statement, supplemented where not inconsistent by the adoption hearing memoranda. Together, the documents provide a complete but concise explanation of the agency's actions and its reasons for taking those actions. We include all of those documents for commenters' information.

Please direct any questions about the rules to Ann Rendahl of the Commission Staff at 360-664-1144 or e-mail at arendahl@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director and Secretary

Enclosures