April 23, 2012

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS (By Friday, May 25, 2012)

Re: Rulemaking to Consider Damage Reporting Requirements for Gas Pipeline Companies in WAC 480-93, Docket PG-120345

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On March 21, 2012, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to consider establishing requirements for gas pipeline operators to report data and documentation to the Commission of damage to pipeline facilities in violation of Chapter 19.122 RCW. Written comments on the CR-101 and questions listed in the March 23, 2012, notice were due on April 23, 2012.

On April 20, 2012, the Commission received a request by the Northwest Gas Association (NWGA) for an extension of time to file written comments. NWGA states that it could provide more useful comments if the Commission extends the deadline to a date after the May 10, 2012, stakeholder workshop. The Commission finds NWGA's request reasonable.

Accordingly, the Commission extends the deadline for filing comments to May 25, 2012. The Commission offers any interested persons who have not yet filed comments and interested persons who wish to file additional comments, the same opportunity to file comments by that date. If you have any questions regarding this rulemaking, you may contact staff lead, David Lykken at (360) 664-1219, or by email at dlykken@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DANNER
Executive Director and Secretary