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August 30, 2019

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
(September 25, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.)

Re: Rulemaking to address electric and natural gas cost of service,
Dockets UE-170002 and UG-170003

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On July 19, 2018, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to address cost of service studies for investor owned utilities in the State of Washington. The Commission filed the CR-101 under Dockets UE-170002 and UG-170003.

The Commission hosted technical workshops on December 3, 2018, and February 21 and 22, 2019, to discuss cost of service. The December workshop focused on rule topics within cost of service. The February workshops discussed specific classification and allocation methods. Based on feedback collected at the workshops and internal discussions, the Commission on April 25, 2019, issued to all interested parties informal draft rules, requesting comments by June 14 on the draft rules and specific questions. The Commission also requested the utilities to provide results under specific scenarios for classification/allocation methods with their comments on the draft rule. The Commission issued a revised notice on May 3, 2019.

The Commission is hosting a workshop on September 25, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. to:

- Address any outstanding questions or concerns regarding the informal draft rules;
- Discuss the generation, transmission, and distribution mains classification and allocation methods, per the results of the scenarios the utilities submitted on June 14, 2019; and
- Receive feedback on the electric cost of service template (ECOST) and gas cost of service template (GCOST). Commission staff created these templates in order to have a standardized presentation of the cost of service summary results.

The Commission includes with this notice the following documents:

- Updated informal draft rules, incorporating certain comments and suggestions provided by stakeholders in response to the Commission's revised notice of May 3, 2019;
- A narrative and the summary results from the utilities' responses to the classification and allocation scenarios; and
- The proposed electric cost of service template (ECOST) and gas cost of service template (GCOST).

The Commission requests all interested persons review the attachments, and be prepared to collaboratively discuss the updated informal draft rules, outstanding classification and allocation methods, and any other questions regarding the attachments to this notice at the September 25, 2019, workshop. The Commission requests stakeholders provide written comments on the attached documents at the September 25, 2019 workshop.

All documents submitted to or issued by the Commission in this matter should reference Docket UE-170002 and Docket UG-170003, and are available on the Commission's website located at: www.utc.wa.gov/170002&170003. If you have any questions about this notice or the rulemaking, please contact Elaine Jordan at elaine.jordan@utc.wa.gov or by phone (360) 664-1307.

Sincerely,

MARK L. JOHNSON
Executive Director and Secretary