



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.320)

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Agency: Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR # 03-09-068 and #03-09-069; or**
 Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____; or
 Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4).

- Original Notice**
 Supplemental Notice to WSR _____
 Continuance of WSR _____

Title of rule and other identifying information: WAC 480-100-238 and WAC- 480-90-238, Least Cost Planning. These rules state requirements that electric and natural gas companies must follow when developing integrated resource plans every two years. Dockets UE-030311 and UG-030312.

Hearing location(s):

Commission Hearing Room
Second Floor, Chandler Plaza,
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Date: November 9, 2005 Time: 9:30 AM

Date of intended adoption: November 9, 2005
(Note: This is **NOT** the **effective** date)

Submit written comments to:

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fax (360) 586-1150 by (date) September 28, 2005

Assistance for persons with disabilities: Contact

Mary De Young by November 7, 2005
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Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The proposal incorporates changes to the existing rules, including new definitions and a schedule for plan submissions, and highlights the importance of public participation in the planning process. Titles of the sections are changed from "Least Cost Planning" to "Integrated Resource Planning."

Affected WACS are: WAC 480-100-238 and WAC 480-90-238.

Reasons supporting proposal: The proposed rule revisions reflect current and foreseeable needs of utilities, customers, and the broader public, and support the rules' intended purpose to serve the public and to promote the well-being of the citizens of the state.

Statutory authority for adoption:

RCW 80.01.040 and RCW 80.04.160.

Statute being implemented: N/A

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
 Federal Court Decision? Yes No
 State Court Decision? Yes No
 If yes, CITATION:

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September 7, 2005, 10:07 a.m.

WSR 05-18-088

DATE

September 7, 2005

NAME (type or print)

Carole J. Washburn

SIGNATURE

TITLE

Executive Secretary

(COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE)

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

None.

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

- Private
 Public
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Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement.

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone () _____

fax () _____

e-mail _____

No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

The proposed corrections and changes to rules will not result in or impose an increase in costs. Because there will not be any increase in costs resulting from the proposed rule changes, an SBEIS is not required under RCW 19.85.030(1)

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

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No: Please explain: The proposed rules are not significant legislative rules of the sort referenced in RCW 34.05.328(5).