



WASHINGTON WATER SERVICE COMPANY

July 23, 2009

Carole Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
PO Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE UW-090733

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Washington Water Service Company would like to request an exemption from WAC 480-110-431 to allow the revised rates that result in increases above the level previously noticed to customers. The rates are set to become effective on August 1, 2009. The less than statutory notice and an exemption from WAC 480-110-425, customer notice, will allow WWSC to notify customers of increases in the next billing cycle.

Please do not hesitate to call if you need any additional information. I can be reached toll free at (877) 408-4060.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C.E. Pratt", is written over a faint, larger blue signature that is mostly illegible.

Charlene E. Pratt
Accounting Manager