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August 28, 2017

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER DECLARATORY ORDER  
(By September 30, 2017)**

RE: *In the Matter of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington's Petition for Declaratory Order Regarding Application of WAC 480-109-200, Docket UE-170840*

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On July 27, 2017, Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County (Chelan PUD) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a Petition for Declaratory Order (Petition), requesting that the Commission approve the generation from incremental efficiency gains at Chelan PUD's hydroelectric projects as eligible renewable resources as defined in RCW 19.285.03, to comply with WAC 480-109-200.

The Petition asserts that the Department of Commerce (Commerce) has issued Advisory Opinions designating Rocky Reach and Rock Island Hydroelectric Projects as eligible renewable resources in the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS), based on Chelan PUD's engineering analysis. The Advisory Opinions recognized 14.73 percent of total generation at Rocky Reach and 9.67 percent of total generation at Rock Island as renewable resources.

The Petition requests that the Commission accept the engineering analysis submitted and accepted by Commerce as satisfying the Commission's methodology, and that the Commission issue an order declaring that the incremental hydropower at Chelan PUD's Rocky Reach and Rock Island hydroelectric projects may be used for compliance with WAC 480-109-200, and that the percentage amounts are those stated in Commerce's Advisory Opinions.

On July 28, 2017, the Commission issued a notice of opportunity for any interested person to respond by August 11, 2017. Commission regulatory staff (Staff) submitted a response on August 11. In its response, Staff recommended that any declaratory order be restricted to approval of the current total generation percentages of Rocky Reach and Rock Island, and not rule on the engineering analysis, nor agree to accept updates on the percentages. The Commission received no other responses.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the Commission will enter a declaratory order addressing the petition no later than September 30, 2017.**

STEVEN V. KING  
Executive Director and Secretary