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Via Electronic Mail

Ms. Carole J. Washburn Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Chapter 480-107 WAC Rulemaking **Docket No. UE-030423**

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU") submits the following comments regarding the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's ("Commission") proposed rules regarding competitive bidding and electric utility purchases from qualifying facilities. ICNU previously submitted written and oral comments in this Docket arguing that the proposed rules will continue to provide electric utilities with the ability to refuse to enter into contracts with cost-effective qualifying facilities. ICNU attaches and incorporates by reference its previous written comments that were submitted on May 13, 2005. ICNU continues to believe that the Commission should open a formal, evidentiary investigation regarding the reasons for the lack of development of cost-effective qualifying facilities in Washington, and adopt interim corrective measures, including longer contract terms and increased size thresholds for standard contracts for qualifying facilities. ICNU appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules.

Sincerely,

/s/ Irion Sanger
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