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NOTICE EXTENDING DEADLINE TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS RELATED TO DECARBONIZATION PATHWAYS

(Now set for 5 p.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023)

Re: Relating to Decarbonization Pathways, Docket U-210553

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

In the 2021-23 Omnibus Operating Appropriations Act, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) received funding to "examine feasible and practical pathways for investor-owned electric and natural gas utilities to contribute their share to greenhouse gas emissions reductions as described in RCW 70A.45.020 [state law]." As part of its examination, the Commission is directed to identify and consider the impacts of energy decarbonization on residential and commercial customers and electric and natural gas utilities. The results of the examination must be reported to the appropriate legislative committees.

On May 31, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity to File Written comments on Decarbonization Pathways (Notice) setting a deadline for filing written comments by 5 p.m. on Friday, June 30, 2023.

It has come to the Commission's attention that the process would benefit from allowing interested persons additional time to prepare written comments. The Commission therefore extends the deadline to submit written comments until **5 p.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023**.

Please provide written comments in electronic form, preferably in searchable .pdf format (Adobe Acrobat or comparable software). Comments may be submitted via the Commission's web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing. If you are unable to submit documents via the portal, you may submit your comments by email to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov. Comment submissions should include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (Docket UE-210553).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

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The Commission will post on its web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The website is located at https://www.utc.wa.gov/casedocket/2021/210553/docsets.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically, the Commission will accept a paper document via mail.

Further information on the energy decarbonization pathways project is available on the Commission's website, here. If you have any questions, please contact Administrative Law Judge Samantha Doyle at (360) 742-4451, or by email at Samantha.doyle@utc.wa.gov.

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Executive Director and Secretary

 $^{^{1}\,} The\ complete\ URL\ is\ https://www.utc.wa.gov/regulated-industries/utilities/energy/natural-gasdecarbonization.$