November 30, 2007

RE: Rulemaking to Implement *the Energy Independence Act* Docket UE-061895

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) is pleased to enclose rules in WAC 480-109, relating to Electric Companies—Acquisition of Minimum Quantities of Conservation and Renewable Energy as Required by the Energy Independence Act (Chapter 19.285 RCW) and developed from the rulemaking activity in Docket UE-061895.

The rules in WAC 480-109 establish the procedures investor owned utilities must follow to demonstrate compliance with the statutory requirements, state penalty provisions, and include reporting and public notification requirements.

Also enclosed is the Commission's Order Adopting Rules Permanently. The Commission filed the Order with the Code Reviser on November 27, 2007. It will be effective on December 28, 2007.

RCW 34.05.325 requires that the Commission prepare and provide to commenters a concise explanatory statement about an adopted rule.

In this docket, to avoid unnecessary duplications, the Commission has designated the discussion in the order as its concise explanatory statement, supplemented where not inconsistent by the adoption hearing memoranda. Together, the documents provide a complete but concise explanation of the agency's actions and its reasons for taking those actions. We include all of those documents for commenters' information.

Please direct any questions about the rules to Tom Schooley of the Commission Staff at 360-664-1307 or e-mail at <u>tschoole@utc.wa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures