

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

T&T RECOVERY, INC.,

Respondent.

DOCKET NO. TG-041481

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT
NEGOTIATIONS;

MOTION TO CONTINUE
HEARING SCHEDULED FOR
DECEMBER 1 AND 2, 2004

1 T&T Recovery, Inc., (T&T) provided to Commission Staff a proposed outline of settlement terms to resolve the above-captioned case on November 24, 2004, after a meeting with Staff on November 23, 2004. Staff believes, and T&T agrees, that further settlement discussions will be productive and beneficial. Both Staff and T&T intend to include the parties seeking intervention in those discussions. To further that objective, Staff requests that the hearing scheduled for December 1 and 2, 2004, in Bellingham, Washington be continued. If settlement negotiations fail, the hearing should be rescheduled for the early part of January 2005. If the negotiations succeed,

the parties will submit the settlement agreement for consideration pursuant to WAC 480-07-730.

2 The Commission supports the informal resolution of matters before it when such informal resolution is lawful and consistent with the public interest. WAC 480-07-700. In this case, T&T has provided a meaningful settlement proposal that warrants further discussion among all parties. It is in the public interest to grant the motion to continue the scheduled hearing to allow further negotiations take place.

3 Because the hearing is scheduled to begin on December 1, 2004, expedited ruling is requested.

DATED this 24th day of November 2004.

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