

June 11, 2010

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS  
(By Wednesday, July 14, 2010)**

RE: Rulemaking to Consider Paperless Billing for Electric and Gas Customers  
Docket U-100523

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:**

On April 7, 2010, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to consider the need to develop a new rule and/or modify existing rules in WAC 480-90 (Gas Companies) and WAC 480-100 (Electric Companies) to address the use of electronic bills, notices of tariff revisions, bill inserts, documents in adjudicative proceedings, and reports required by settlement stipulations.

The Commission has reviewed the CR-101 comments received from stakeholders and has prepared discussion drafts of electric and gas rules. The draft rules are available for your review and comment on the Commission's web site at [www.utc.wa.gov/100523](http://www.utc.wa.gov/100523). If you are unable to access the Commission's web page and would like a copy of the draft rules mailed to you, please contact the Commission's Records Center at (360) 664-1234.

**WRITTEN COMMENTS**

The Commission invites comments on the draft rules. Written comments on the draft rules must be filed with the Commission by **Wednesday, July 14, 2010**. The Commission requests that comments be provided in Adobe Acrobat format ".pdf" or in Word 97 or later ".doc" electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of

providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate responses from the comments. Electronic comments may be submitted via the Commission's Web portal ([www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing](http://www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing)) or by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at [records@utc.wa.gov](mailto:records@utc.wa.gov). Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (U-100523).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

An alternative method for submitting comments may be by mailing/delivering an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in .doc Word 97 or later format. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on its web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at the following URL address: [www.utc.wa.gov/100523](http://www.utc.wa.gov/100523).

If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the Commission will accept a paper document. Questions may be addressed to Roger Kouchi at (360) 664-1101 or by e-mail at [rkouchi@utc.wa.gov](mailto:rkouchi@utc.wa.gov).

### **OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FUTURE**

The Commission will post information about the schedule and other aspects of the rulemaking, including comments on its web site as it becomes available. If you wish to receive further information on this rulemaking you may:

- 1) Call the Commission's Records Center at (360) 664-1234.
- 2) E-mail the Commission at [<records@utc.wa.gov>](mailto:records@utc.wa.gov).
- 3) Mail written comments to the address below.

When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket U-100523 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list.

The Commission's mailing address is:

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Sincerely,

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