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To: <u>UTC DL Records Center</u>

Subject: Comment from TRU on Docket # U-200281

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Dear Commissioners,

This is a comment regarding Docket # U-200281.

I am writing on behalf of the Transit Riders Union, an organization of transit riders in Seattle and King County. We fight to expand and improve public transit and make it accessible to all. Most of our members are low or moderate income and many have been impacted by job losses and other hardships during the COVID-19 pandemic and recession. Some of our members are housing-insecure or homeless. We have heard from our members and constituents that reliable access to clean water, electricity and other utilities is both essential and at risk.

We are calling on the Utilities and Transportation Commission to do everything in its power to ensure that people have access to stable, debt-free utility service during this pandemic and beyond. This includes:

- No debt for poor and working class families
- Just payment plans for all utilities
- No fees and disconnects

Thank you,

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The Transit Riders Union is a democratic organization of working and poor people, including students, seniors, and people with disabilities, taking control over our own lives, and building up the power we need to change society for the good of humanity and of the planet. We will fight to preserve, expand, and improve the public transportation system in Seattle and beyond, so that every human being has access to safe, affordable, and reliable public transit.