



STATE OF WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

621 Woodland Square Loop S.E. • Lacey, Washington 98503
P.O. Box 47250 • Olympia, Washington 98504-7250
(360) 664-1160 • TTY 1-800-833-6384 or 711

July 16, 2020

NOTICE OF JOINT WORKSHOP
(Set for July 27, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.)

RE: Relating to Clean Energy Implementation Plans and Compliance with the Clean Energy Transformation Act, Docket UE-191023

TO ALL INTERSTED PERSONS:

On January 15, 2020, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to promulgate new rules to implement certain sections of the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA),¹ centered on the implementation of Chapter 19.405 RCW and revisions to Chapter 80.28 RCW. The Commission filed the CR-101 under Docket UE-191023.

On April 28, 2020, Commerce published discussion draft rules to implement the aspects of CETA for which Commerce is responsible. The draft rules include section 194-40-320, which would specify requirements to implement RCW 19.405.040(1)(a). This statute provides, in part, that a utility must “use electricity from renewable resources and nonemitting electric generation in an amount equal to one hundred percent of the utility’s retail electric loads over each multiyear compliance period.” The draft rule was discussed by stakeholders at a workshop on May 21, 2020, and Commerce provided opportunity for written comment on June 15, 2020, and July 13, 2020.

On June 12, 2020, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments regarding RCW 19.405.040(1)(a). The Notice included Commission Staff’s preliminary interpretation of the statutory provision and requested feedback related to both Staff’s interpretation and how to structure compliance with particular provisions of CETA.

¹ E2SSB 5116, Laws of 2019, ch. 288.

STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP

The Commission and Commerce have scheduled a joint workshop to discuss the two agencies' interpretations of RCW 19.405.040(1)(a) and stakeholder responses to the Commerce draft discussion rules and Commission Notice questions. All interested persons are invited to virtually attend this workshop and participate in the discussion, which will be held on July 27, 2020, beginning at 9:30 a.m. using Webex. If possible, please join by computer with the following link: <https://watech.webex.com/watech/j.php?MTID=m1749752e26dd7e32b758b73c9118bd79>. The password is **CETA135!** You may also join by phone by calling 1-415-655-0001 and entering Access Code **133 514 8209**. The Commission and Commerce anticipate the workshop will end by 11 a.m.

The Commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to participants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for this workshop, please contact the Commission at least one business day prior to the workshop by calling 1-360-664-1132 or by sending an email to human_resources@utc.wa.gov. For TTY service, please call the Washington Relay Service at 7-1-1 or 1-800-833-6384.

If you have any questions regarding the workshop or this rulemaking, you may contact Commission Senior Policy Advisor Steve Johnson by email at steven.johnson@utc.wa.gov or by phone at (360) 481-1573, or Commerce Energy Policy Manager Glenn Blackmon by email at glenn.blackmon@commerce.wa.gov or by phone at (360) 339-5619.

MARK L. JOHNSON
Executive Director and Secretary