July 20, 2005

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS (By August 26, 2005)

RE: Rulemaking to Consider Possible Corrections and Changes in Rules in Chapter 480-07 WAC, Relating to Procedural Rules. Docket No. A-050802

TO INTERESTED PERSONS:

On July 15, 2005, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to consider possible corrections and changes to the rules in Chapter 480-07 WAC, relating to procedural rules. The CR-101, as filed with the Code Reviser, is available for inspection on the Commission's web site at <u>www.wutc.wa.gov/050802</u>. If you are unable to access the Commission's web page and would like a copy of the CR-101 mailed to you, please contact the Records Center at (360) 664-1234.

The Commission recently completed a comprehensive review of its procedural rules and repealed and replaced its former procedural rules, chapter 480-09, and adopted new chapter 480-07 that took effect on January 1, 2004. In the process of implementing these rules, stakeholders and agency staff have identified a variety of issues with the rules. A list of possible rule changes is posted to the web site at www.wutc.wa.gov/050802.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments on correcting, changing, and/or clarifying the rules relating to procedural rules must be filed with the Commission no later than <u>Friday, August 26</u>, <u>2005</u>. The Commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to

enhance public access, for ease of providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at <<u>records@wutc.wa.gov></u>. Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (A-050802)
- 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 on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on the Commission's web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at http://www.wutc.wa.gov/050802>.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the Commission will always accept a paper document. Questions may be addressed to Dennis Moss (360) 664-1164 or e-mail at <dmoss@wutc.wa.gov>.

Your participation is welcomed via written comments and stakeholder workshops. Opportunity for further comment is anticipated. Information about the schedule and other aspects of the rulemaking, including comments, will be posted on the Commission's 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 <<u>records@wutc.wa.gov></u>, or (3) mail written comments to the address below. When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket No. A-050802 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. The Commission's mailing address is:

Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

NOTICE

If you do not want to comment now, but do want to receive future information about this rulemaking, please notify the Secretary in one of the ways described above and ask to be included on the mailing list for Docket No. A-050802. <u>If you do not do this, you might not receive further information about this rulemaking.</u>

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Executive Secretary