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March 26, 2024

# NOTICE OF ITEM TO BE HEARD AT OPEN MEETING

Re: Related to the Commission's proceeding to develop a policy statement addressing alternatives to traditional cost of service rate making. Docket U-210590

### TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington State Legislature (Legislature) directed the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), in Section 1 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5295, to conduct a proceeding to develop a policy statement addressing alternatives to traditional cost of service ratemaking, including performance-based measures or goals, targets, performance incentives, and penalty mechanisms.

Responding to the legislation, the Commission developed a work plan, sought participant feedback before reporting to the Legislature, and began Phase 1, Performance Metrics. In Phase 1, to date, the Commission has engaged in extensive public participation and incorporated comments from that engagement to define regulatory goals, desired outcomes, design principles, and identify related metrics.

On Dec. 13, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice Resuming Proceeding and Opportunity to File Written Comments. This Notice also provided that the Commission would issue a policy statement after the comment period concluded.

The Commission hereby notifies interested persons in this docket that an interim policy statement will be presented and discussed during the regularly scheduled Open Meeting on Thursday, Apr. 11, 2024. The interim policy statement will be available on the Commission's website no later than Monday, Apr. 8, 2024, at <u>https://www.utc.wa.gov/documents-and-proceedings/open-meetings/all-open-meetings</u>.

#### WRITTEN COMMENTS

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-250(3), written comments must be submitted in electronic form, specifically in searchable .pdf format (Adobe Acrobat or comparable software). As provided in WAC 480-07-140(5), those comments must be submitted via the Commission's web portal at <u>www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing</u>. If you are unable to submit documents via the portal, you may submit your comments by email to the Commission's Records Center at <u>records@utc.wa.gov</u> or by mailing an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a flash drive, DVD, or compact disc that includes the filed document(s). Comment submissions should include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (Docket U-210590).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

The Commission will post on its website all comments that are provided in electronic format. The website is located at <u>https://www.utc.wa.gov/casedocket/2021/210590</u>.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically the commission will accept a paper document by mail.

If you need translation materials, please contact <u>records@utc.wa.gov</u> or call (360) 664-1234.

# STAY INFORMED OF THIS PROCEEDING

Information related to this proceeding, including comments filed by interested persons, will be posted on the Commission's website as it becomes available. Persons filing comments will receive future communications the Commission issues in this Docket. If you do not file comments but wish to receive such information you may contact the Commission's Records Center by telephone at (360) 664-1139 or by email at <a href="mailto:records@utc.wa.gov">records@utc.wa.gov</a> and ask to be included on the mailing list for Docket U-210590.

When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket U-210590 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. The Commission's mailing address is:

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If you have questions regarding this proceeding or the information contained in this Notice, you may contact Amy Andrews, Accounting and Energy Policy Advisor at (360) 664-1228, or by email at <u>amy.andrews@utc.wa.gov</u>.

/s/ JEFF KILLIP Executive Director and Secretary By: Kathy Hunter Director of Transportation Safety Executive Director's Designee