January 23, 2001

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS (Wednesday, February 14, 2001)

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP (Thursday, February 22, 2001)

RE: Telecommunications - Operations, Chapter 480-120 WAC Docket No. UT-990146

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Commission Staff has completed a discussion draft of the technical rules in Chapter 480-120 Telecommunications - Operations. The proposed rules have been drafted based on comments received and discussion at the stakeholder workshops. The discussion draft includes revisions of the rules that have been transferred from Chapter 480-80 and a Definitions section. The draft rules are available for inspection on the Commission's web site at <u>www.wutc.wa.gov</u>. The Commission will send a paper copy of the draft rules or will send the proposal via electronic mail, if requested. See information below about contacting the Commission.

STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP

We encourage your attendance and participation in the stakeholder workshop. The workshop will be held **<u>Thursday</u>**, **February 22**, **2001** in Room 206 at the Commission's headquarters, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Free parking is available. The Commission's address is:

Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments may be submitted to the Commission at the address given above. Written comments should be filed with the Commission no later than <u>Wednesday, February 14, 2001</u>.

Electronic copies. The Commission also requests, but does not require, that comments be provided in electronic format to facilitate quotations from the comments, to enhance public access, and to reduce the need for additional paper copies. Please help us by sending an electronic copy with your paper filing on a 3-1/2 inch, IBM-formatted, high density disk, in .pdf

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Adobe Acrobat format, reflecting the pagination of your original. Please also send us the text in your choice of .doc (Word 97 or later) or .wpd (Wordperfect 6.0 or later). Please include all of the following information on the label of the diskette:

- * The docket number of this proceeding (UT-990146)
- * The commenting party's name
- * The title and date of the comment or comments; and
- * The type of software used

Please use the three-letter extension noted above for all electronic files. You may also send your comments by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at <records@wutc.wa.gov>; if you choose this means of submitting comments, please include all of the information requested above for the diskette label. The Commission will post on the Commission's web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <htp://www.wutc.wa.gov>.

Opportunity for further comment is anticipated. Information about 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.UT-990146 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 SW P O Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

NOTICE

If you don't 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. UT-990146. <u>If you do not do this, you will not receive further information about this rulemaking.</u>

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Secretary