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STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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December 7, 2016

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS ON PROPOSED RULES

(By Friday, January 13, 2016)

and

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION HEARING (Set for Monday, January 30, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.)

Re: Rulemaking to Make Corrections and Changes in Rules in WAC 480-07, Relating to Procedural Rules, Docket A-130355

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) proposes to adopt amendments to a portion of the rule in WAC Chapter 480-07, Procedural Rules. The Commission provides interested persons with the opportunity to file written comments on the proposed rule amendments and to participate in the formal rule adoption hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Monday, January 30, 2017.

On December 5, 2016, the Commission filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (CR-102) with the Office of the Code Reviser. The proposed rules would add to, revise, or repeal the current rules in Parts I, II, and IIIA in WAC Chapter 480-07 for greater clarity and to reflect technological changes, new statutory authority, and current Commission practice. The Commission has reviewed comments on draft rules from stakeholders and now proposes rules subject to review and comment by interested persons. The proposed rules are available for inspection on the Commission's Web page at www.utc.wa.gov/130355. If you are unable to access the Commission's Web page and would like a copy of the proposed rules emailed to you, please contact the Commission's Records Center at (360) 664-1234. The CR-102 filing initiates the final part of the rulemaking process, which includes a written comment period, a public adoption hearing, and a decision by the Commission.

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WRITTEN COMMENTS

The commission gives notice of your opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed rules to the Commission by filing with the Commission Executive Director and Secretary either by electronic transmission as described below, or by physical delivery to 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, Washington, 98504-7250, no later than <u>5:00 p.m., Friday, January 13, 2017.</u> The proposed rules, as filed with the Code Reviser, are available for inspection on the Commission's website at http://www.utc.wa.gov/130355.

Electronic copies: 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. You may submit comments via the Commission's Web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing or by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov. Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (A-130355).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

An alternative method for submitting comments is by mail or delivery of an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a flash drive, DVD, or compact disk including the filed document(s). Parties must furnish electronic copies in MS Word 6.0 (or later) supplemented by a separate file in .pdf (Adobe Acrobat) format. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on its website all comments that are provided in electronic format. The website is located at www.utc.wa.gov/130355. If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the Commission will accept a paper document.

OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FUTURE

Information about the schedule and other aspects of the rulemaking, including comments, will be posted on the Commission's website 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) Email the Commission at records@utc.wa.gov
- (3) Mail written comments to the address below

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When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket A-130355 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. The Commission's mailing address is:

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Questions? If you have questions about this Notice, about the rulemaking process, or this rulemaking in particular, you may contact Gregory J. Kopta. He may be reached by mail at the address on this Notice, by email at gkopta@utc.wa.gov, or by calling (360) 664-1355.

STEVEN V. KING Executive Director and Secretary