September 27, 2010

**NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING AND OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT STATEMENTS OF ISSUES**

**(To Be Held Thursday, October 28, 2010, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.)**

RE: Regulatory Issues Relating to Electric Vehicles

 Docket UE-101521

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

At a recessed open meeting on Thursday October 28, 2010, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) will conduct a work session to consider its role in the development of electric vehicle infrastructure and other regulatory issues relating to electric vehicles in Washington. The Commission will hear presentations that include the Department of Transportation describing the development of electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the State of Washington and state efforts to facilitate that development. The Commission staff will also be presenting a brief overview of some regulatory issues relating to development of public charging stations and at-home charging for electric vehicles. These issues include:

* Whether the resale of electricity at public charging stations is, or should be, subject to economic regulation;
* The extent to which existing laws will protect consumers who purchase electricity for recharging of vehicles from unfair or deceptive practices; and
* Whether there are any ratemaking considerations for investor-owned utilities that need be addressed by the Commission, such as time-of-use tariffs.

Following the introductory presentations, the Commission will hear from representatives of Puget Sound Energy, Avista Utilities and PacifiCorp, as well as other interested persons, concerning these and other issues raised by development of public charging stations and at-home charging for electric vehicles.

The Commission encourages interested persons to provide a “**Statement of Issues**” by **Friday, October 22, 2010,** briefly outlining and providing discussion about other issues they deem important for consideration by the Commission on this topic, including, but not limited to, the integration of electric vehicles in the state’s electric transmission and distribution grid and the development of the State’s electric vehicle infrastructure.

The work session will be held at a recessed open meeting of the Commission to be held on **Thursday, October 28, 2010, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.,** at the Commission’s headquarters, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

Questions regarding presentations and the meeting may be addressed to Commission staff member Danny Kermode by e-mail at dkermode@utc.wa.gov or by calling (360) 664-1253.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director and Secretary