

**Docket:** UE-110523

**Date:** May 4, 2012

**Companies:** Energy (Washington Investor Owned Utilities: Avista, PacifiCorp, and Puget Sound Energy)

**RE:** **Filing Information for Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS)  
Washington Energy Independence Act (Initiative 937)**

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On or before June 1, 2012, Investor Owned Utilities must make compliance filings related to conservation and renewable energy requirements in compliance under RCW 19.285.

Currently the Commission has directed the staff to work with interested parties in two separate dockets (UE-110001 Washington Conservation Working Group) and renewable energy (Renewable Portfolio Standards UE-110523 Working Group) to address the requirements under the law.

**1. Two separate filings: “Renewables” and “Compliance”:**

The Commission staff requests the Investor Owned Utilities in Washington make two filings with the Commission on or before June 1, 2012, one for “Conservation” and a second for “Renewables” with separate cover letters to the Commission Records Center.

**2. Analysis:**

Commission staff encourages companies filing in compliance with the RPS on June 1, 2012 to include detailed analysis and data in fine detail in attachments. This request is intended to assist companies in substantiating their compliance and avoid data requests.

a. Examples of such information to backup claims of compliance include:

- Applicable renewable contracts (include a copy of the contract as an attachment or if the contract was filed in a prior Docket, the docket number and contract identification),
- Modeling and data references. For instance if a historic hydro model is used to demonstrate compliance and this model or associated data

and analysis was filed with the Commission in a prior docket, include the docket number, date submitted, and document reference description,

- Supporting “Access” database,
- Excel spreadsheets that include analysis with formulas intact such as flow and generation for incremental hydro, and energy production data for biomass and wind,
- WREGIS numbers for Renewable Energy Credits (RECs.)

**3. Table of Contents:**

Include a table of contents in the filing.

**4. Third Party Access to Information:**

Commission staff further encourages Avista, PacifiCorp, and PSE to work with third parties to make available data in a form that meets the needs for comment on the granular information in the filings.

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