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### NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

(To be held Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.)

RE: Inquiry into Technological and Policy Implications of the Transition to Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) and Internet Protocol (IP) Networks, Docket UT-131989

#### TO INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) initiates this proceeding to inquire into issues arising from the evolution of existing circuit-switched telecommunications network technologies to VoIP and IP platforms. The Commission recognizes that because IP networks operate differently than traditional time division multiplexed (TDM) networks, many questions arise about how telecommunications companies subject to Commission oversight will obtain or provide telephone numbering, interconnection and interoperability, consumer protection, and quality of service, among other issues.

The Commission seeks input from a variety of stakeholders on any national or Washington-specific plans to address these issues, the status of federal regulatory proceedings involving VoIP and IP services, and the potential implications of such services for the Commission's regulation of telecommunications companies and services in Washington.<sup>1</sup>

#### WORKSHOP

The Commission will conduct a workshop to discuss the implications of the VoIP and IP services in Washington on **Tuesday, November 12, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia,**

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<sup>1</sup> Because this proceeding is an inquiry, no CR-101 accompanies this notice.

**Washington.** Stakeholders are encouraged to schedule presentations offering their views on issues arising from the network transition.

Parties may request time on the Workshop agenda or address general questions about the workshop to Brian Thomas, the Commission's Telecommunications Policy Advisor, at (360) 359-1049 or e-mail at [bthomas@utc.wa.gov](mailto:bthomas@utc.wa.gov) .

If you wish to receive further information on this matter you may (1) call the Commission's Records Center at (360) 664-1234 or, (2) e-mail the Commission at [records@utc.wa.gov](mailto:records@utc.wa.gov) and ask to be included on the mailing list for Docket UT-131989.

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