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To members of the WA Utilities and Transportation Commission,

Spark Northwest is dedicated to an equitable transition to clean energy, through community ownership and control of distributed energy resources. This vision requires that we prioritize the needs of those most vulnerable to the economic and health impacts of our climate crisis, COVID-19 pandemic and systemic racism.

Despite that essential workers have provided us critical services during the COVID crisis at risk to their own lives, many are denied salaried income, health insurance, hazard pay, personal protective equipment and other worker protections, making them further vulnerable to the economic and health impacts of the pandemic. For those who have lost their income, unemployment benefits have been delayed by months due to the backlog of claims and additional documentation required by Employment Security Department.

Given these critical and urgent needs, it is within UTC's obligation and mission to *protect the people of Washington by ensuring that investor-owned utility and transportation services are safe, available, reliable and fairly priced*, and we ask members of WA Utilities and Transportation Commission to ensure:

1. No debt for poor and working class families
2. Just payment plans for all utilities
3. No fees and disconnects

Thank you,



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