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**NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PRO-EQUITY ANTI-RACISM
EXTERNAL PARTNER LISTENING SESSION
(Set for Thursday, July 28, 2022, from 2-4 p.m.)**

Phone: (253) 215-8782 • Conference ID: 861 3412 0932# Passcode: 060300#

Zoom: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

RE: UTC Pro-Equity Anti-Racism (PEAR) External Partner Listening Session,
Docket A-220421

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

You are invited to participate in a virtual external partner Pro-Equity Anti-Racism (PEAR) Listening Session at the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission or UTC).

The UTC, along with other state agencies, is working with the Washington Office of Equity to implement the PEAR Plan & Playbook. The PEAR Plan & Playbook establishes a unified vision of equity for state government, mission, values, and goals, and contains a step-by-step process for developing, implementing, and embedding PEAR into every action across state government. Governor Inslee's Executive Order Implementing the PEAR Plan & Playbook is available [here](#).

The UTC is developing a PEAR Strategic Action Plan that includes measuring our equity impact. The commission is hosting a virtual external partner PEAR Listening Session to gather community narrative data to inform agency planning, decision-making, and implementation of actions that achieve equitable access to opportunities and resources that reduce disparities and improve equitable outcomes statewide.

At the virtual listening session, we would like to hear from our external partners about the following:

- What are the biggest barriers to accessing commission services?

- What are the biggest barriers to participating in commission proceedings?
- How can the commission remove these barriers?
- Are there any community groups or advocates we should be reaching out to?
- Would you be interested in participating on the UTC's PEAR external advisory group?

You can also answer these questions online through [this survey](#). Please complete the survey by July 28.

If you have questions, please contact Anna Gill at anna.gill@utc.wa.gov or Rayne Pearson at rayne.pearson@utc.wa.gov. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Executive Director and Secretary