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February 22, 2019

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
ON PROPOSED RULES**

(By Monday, April 1, 2019) and

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION HEARING

(Set for Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.)

Re: Rulemaking regarding the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act, Obligations of the Utility to Qualifying Facilities, WAC 480-107, Docket U-161024

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) proposes to adopt a new chapter in WAC 480 and revisions to WAC 480-107. The Commission provides interested persons with the opportunity to file written comments on the proposed rules and to participate in the formal rule adoption hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30, 2019.

On February 20, 2019, the Commission filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (CR-102) with the Office of the Code Reviser. The proposed rules would update its rules for Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act, Obligations of the Utility to Qualifying Facilities. The Commission has reviewed comments on three sets of draft rules from stakeholders and now proposes rules subject to review and comment by interested persons. The proposed rules are available for inspection on the Commission's website at www.utc.wa.gov/161024. The CR-102 filing initiates the final part of the rulemaking process, which includes a written comment period, a public adoption hearing, and a decision by the Commission.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Commission gives notice of your opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed rules to the Commission by filing with the Commission Executive Director and

Secretary by electronic transmission no later than **5 p.m., Monday, April 1, 2019.** Pursuant to WAC 480-07-250(3), written comments must be submitted in electronic form, specifically in searchable .pdf format (Adobe Acrobat or comparable software). As provided in WAC 480-07-140(5), those comments must be submitted via the Commission's web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing. If you are unable to submit documents via the portal, you may submit your comments by email to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov or by mailing or delivering an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a flash drive, DVD, or compact disc that includes the filed document(s). Comment submissions should include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (U-161024).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

The Commission will post all comments it receives on its website located at www.utc.wa.gov/161024.

ADOPTION HEARING

The Commission gives further notice of the opportunity to attend the public hearing and make oral comments about the rules proposed for adoption on **Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.** This public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W., Olympia, Washington.

Questions? If you have questions about this Notice, about the rulemaking process, or this rulemaking in particular, you may contact Brad Cebulko by mail at the address on this Notice, by email at bradley.cebulko@utc.wa.gov, or by calling (360) 664-1309.

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