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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF RULEMAKING

RE: Rulemaking Regarding Water Companies, Docket UW-143295

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On September 17, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) with the Code Reviser to consider adopting rules to improve the financial management capacity of water companies, provide incentives for companies to make appropriate investments, and for viable companies or public entities to acquire struggling water systems that have the potential to be stabilized and improved through consolidation and investment.

The Commission has decided to close this rulemaking proceeding as it has determined that a rule change is not necessary to accomplish the original intent of the CR-101. The Commission instead will pursue a pilot project involving outreach and education combined with ratemaking options for at-risk water systems to encourage timely rate cases and investment.

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