

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND PILOTS,

Respondent.

DOCKET TP-190976

NOTICE OF PREHEARING
CONFERENCE

**(Set for December 12, 2019,
at 9:30 a.m.)**

1 On November 19, 2019, Puget Sound Pilots filed with the Washington Utilities and
Transportation Commission (Commission) its initial proposed tariff. The purpose of this
filing is to increase pilotage rates that have been in place since 2015.

2 **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under
Title 80 RCW and Title 81 RCW, and has legal authority to regulate marine pilotage
services. The statutes that apply to this matter include Chapters 80.01 RCW, 80.04 RCW,
and 88.16 RCW relating to rates, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040,
RCW 80.04.020, and RCW 88.16.055. The rules that apply to this matter include those
within Chapters WAC 480-160, relating to marine pilotage services.

3 The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA),
particularly Part IV of Chapter 34.05 RCW relating to adjudications. The provisions of
the APA that relate to this proceeding include, but are not limited to RCW 34.05.413,
RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW
34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in WAC 480-07 in this
proceeding.

4 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a prehearing conference in
this matter at 9:30 a.m., on December 12, 2019, in the Commission's Richard
Hemstad Hearing Room, 621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, Washington.**

5 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention, resolve
scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence, to identify the
issues in the proceeding, and to determine other matters to assist the Commission in
resolving the matter, as listed in WAC 480-07-430.

6 **INTERVENTION.** Persons seeking to intervene in the proceeding must file written petitions to intervene at least three business days before the date of the prehearing conference. *See* WAC 480-07-355(a). Party representatives must file a notice of appearance with the Commission no later than the business day before the conference. *See* WAC 480-07-345(2). Any party or witness in need of an interpreter or other assistance should fill out the form attached to this Notice and return it to the Commission. The Commission will set the time and place for the evidentiary hearings at the prehearing conference or by later written notice.

7 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That any party who fails to attend or participate in the prehearing conference set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**

8 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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- 9 The Commissioners of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and Administrative Law Judge Rayne Pearson, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.¹
- 10 The Attorney General has designated Lisa W. Gafken from the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) to represent the public. You may use the Commission's address, shown below, for contacting Public Counsel, or you may contact Public Counsel directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below.
- 11 The Commission will give parties notice of any other procedural phase of the proceeding in writing or on the record, as appropriate during this proceeding.

¹ Judge Pearson can be reached by phone at (360) 664-1136 or by email at rayne.pearson@utc.wa.gov.

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective **November 21, 2019**.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Executive Director and Secretary

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If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Mark L. Johnson, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

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Other type of assistance needed: _____

English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: (____) _____