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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT
(By Friday, May 21, 2004)**

RE: Draft Financial Reporting Rules.
Docket No. TO-030288

TO INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Commission Staff has completed a second discussion draft of the rules in the pipeline industry, Chapter 480-73 WAC. This revised draft reflects the previous round of written comments, and discussions we have had with stakeholders during the redrafting process. We wish to offer you another opportunity to comment before finalizing the draft for presentation to the Commission as part of a CR-102 on **Wednesday, June 30, 2004**.

Interested persons may file written comments on this draft by Friday, May 21, 2004. We are specifically interested in your comments concerning:

- The appropriateness of the thresholds
- Any specific burdens you think that the rules will cause and the financial impact of those specific burdens

We will take your comments into account when we finalize the CR-102 draft, which will be made available during the week of June 14, 2004. You will have an opportunity to comment orally to the Commission on June 30, 2004, when Staff presents the final CR-102 draft to the Commission.

The current version of the proposed draft rules is available for inspection on the Commission's web site at <http://www.wutc.wa.gov/030288>. If you are unable to access the Commission's web page and would like a copy of the proposed draft rules, please contact the records center at (360) 664-1234.

The Commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at records@wutc.wa.gov. Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (TO-030288)
- The commenting party's name
- The title and date of the comment or comments

An alternative method for submitting comments is to mail/deliver an electronic copy on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on the Commission's web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <http://www.wutc.wa.gov/030288>.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the Commission will always accept a paper document. Submit your written comments to: Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250. Please reference Docket No. TO-030288 in your communication.

If you need additional information please call Sharyn Bate at (360) 664-1295 or e-mail at <sbate@wutc.wa.gov> or Fred Ottavelli at (360) 664-1297 or e-mail at <fottavel@wutc.wa.gov>.

Sincerely,

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Executive Secretary