

## STATE OF WASHINGTON

## UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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## NOTICE OF TECHNICAL WORKSHOP (Set for 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2020)

RE: Investigation of Puget Sound Energy's Compliance with RCW 80.28 and WAC 480-100, Docket U-190748

On September 6, 2019, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) initiated an investigation in Docket U-190748 to determine whether Puget Sound Energy (PSE) complied with the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 80.28 and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-110, regarding the public utility tax exemption to Lummi Nation tribal members (Tribe) living on tribal lands.

On September 23, 2020, Commission staff (Staff) filed its final investigative report which recommended, among other things, that PSE participate in a workgroup with Staff, the Department of Revenue, the Tribe and other interested stakeholders to establish a process for certifying tax exempt status for PSE customers.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission will be holding a virtual technical workshop on **October 15, 2020, beginning at 1 p.m.** To participate by phone, please call (253) 372-2181 and enter the Conference ID: 414 056 722#. To participate via the Microsoft Teams application, please use the following link: Join Microsoft Teams Meeting. All interested persons are invited to attend.

The workshop will address recommendations to PSE outlined in Staff's investigation report and the process for certifying tax exempt status for PSE customers.

If you have questions regarding this workshop, you may contact Staff, Jacque Hawkins-Jones, at (360) 664-1105 or by email at jacque.hawkins-jones@utc.wa.gov.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Docket U-190748, Puget Sound Energy September 2020 Investigative Report, p. 4.