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UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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July 14, 2014

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
ON SUPPLEMENTAL CR-101
(by Thursday, August 14, 2014)**

And

**NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
(To be held Monday, July 28, 2014, at 1:30 p.m.)**

RE: Rulemaking to consider amending rules in WAC 480-120, Telephone Companies, WAC 480-121, Registration and Competitive Classification of Telecommunications Companies, WAC 480-122, Washington Telephone Assistance Program, WAC 480-123, Universal Service, WAC 480-140, Commission General – Budgets, and WAC 480-143, Commission General – Transfers of Property, due to competitive changes within the telecommunications to meet consumer, commission and industry requirements no longer applicable under the existing WAC rules;
Docket UT-140680

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On May 7, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) at WSR # 14-10-081 to consider amending or eliminating rules in WAC 480-120, Telephone Companies, WAC 480-121, Registration and Competitive Classification of Telecommunications Companies, WAC 480-122, Washington Telephone Assistance Program, WAC 480-123, Universal Service, WAC 480-140, Commission General – Budgets, and WAC 480-143, Commission General – Transfers of Property. The Commission is initiating this rulemaking to address the changes that have occurred in the telecommunications marketplace since 2007, the last time the Commission revised these rules. This notice supplements the original CR-101 filed at WSR # 14-10-081.

On July 11, 2014, the Commission filed a supplemental CR-101 to that noticed at WSR # 14-10-081 to consider establishing damage reporting requirements in accordance with the 2011 amended underground utilities law. Chapter 19.12.02 RCW. The supplemental CR-101, filed with the Code Reviser at WSR 14-15-046, is available for inspection on the Commission's website at www.utc.wa.gov/140680. If you are unable to access the Commission's web page and would like a copy of the CR-101 mailed to you, please contact the Records Center at (360) 664-1234.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Commission invites written comments on the supplemental CR-101. Written comments must be filed with the Commission no later than **Thursday, August 14, 2014**. 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 via the Commission's Web portal (www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing) or by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at <records@utc.wa.gov>. Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding: UT-140680.
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

Alternatively, comments may be submitted by mailing or delivering an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, flash drive, or CD in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later format. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on its web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/140680>.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically, the Commission will always accept a paper document. Questions may be addressed to Bill Weinman at (360) 664-1109 or e-mail at wweinman@utc.wa.gov.

STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP

In addition to filing written comments, interested persons are invited to attend a stakeholder workshop on **Monday, July 28, 2014, beginning at 1:30 p.m., in Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.**

The Commission's teleconference bridge line will be available for the workshop. The Commission prefers and recommends that interested persons participate in person and share ideas in a workshop setting. However, if this imposes a hardship, interested persons may participate at the workshop via the Commission's teleconference bridge at **(360) 664-3846**. The conference bridge, however, is limited to 22 access lines.

The Commission anticipates further proceedings in this rulemaking, and information about the schedule and other aspects of the rulemaking, including opportunities for additional comment, will be posted on the Commission's web site as it becomes available. If you wish to receive further information on this rulemaking you may:

- Call the Commission's Records Center at (360) 664-1234.
- E-mail the Commission at records@utc.wa.gov.
- Mail written comments to the address below.

When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket UT-140680 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. The Commission's mailing address is:

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NOTICE

If you do not want to comment now, but do want to receive future information about this rulemaking, please notify the Executive Director and Secretary in one of the ways described above and ask to be included on the mailing list for Docket UT-140680. If you do not do this, you might not receive further information about this rulemaking.

STEVEN V. KING
Executive Director and Secretary