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March 20, 2000

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT (April 20, 2000)

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP (May 25, 2000)

RE:

Electric Operations Rulemaking

Docket No. UE-990473 Chapter 480-100 WAC

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Commission Staff electric rule team has completed a second discussion draft of the Electric Operation Rules in Docket UE-990473. You may access a clean version or a legislative format version, which compares the first and second draft, in electronic form on the Commission's web site at <www.wutc.wa.gov>, or you may call the Commission Records Center at 360-664-1234 to receive a hard copy of these draft rules.

This discussion draft is meant to elicit additional feedback. The Commission Staff electric rule team has considered all oral and written comments received to date and this draft incorporates suggestions accordingly. Each draft rule is followed by a short explanation of the changes from the current rule, changes from the first draft, and/or a comment about the process leading to the particular draft language.

Please remember that these rules are in draft form and subject to change. The Commission Staff electric rule team realizes that there are still provisions within these rules that require additional discussion with interested persons. We hope, however, to resolve as many issues as possible before the rules are presented before the Commission some time later this year.

WRITTEN COMMENTS. Please provide any feedback/comments by April 20, 2000. For any extensive comments it will be most helpful if you send the Commission a version in legislative

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format (proposed deletions lined through and proposed additions underlined) along with your editorial comments. However, comments in any format will be welcome.

The Commission Staff will review the comments and discuss them with all interested stakeholders during the workshop on May 25th. Please send your comments (with the docket number identified) to the Commission's Records Center, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive Southwest, Post Office Box 47250, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250 or <records@wutc.wa.gov>. If you have questions, please address them to Graciela Etchart <getchart@wutc.wa.gov>.

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP: A workshop has been scheduled to discuss these drafts on Thursday, **May 25, 2000**, beginning at **9:00 a.m.** in the Commission's Hearing Room, Room 206, at 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, WA. The Commission plans to discuss the Electric and Gas Operation rules in the order that they appear in draft form.

The Commission welcomes your participation via written comments and/or attendance at the workshop. If you are unable to attend the workshop and want to participate, you may reserve a line on the conference bridge by calling Nancy Moen at (360) 664-1140.

The Commission will post and regularly update its web site to include information that pertains to this rulemaking. Information will be provided to you individually if you request it. If you wish to receive further information on this rulemaking you may either: (1) submit a written request, (2) call the Commission's record center at (360) 664-1234, or (3) E-mail the Commission at <<u>records@wutc.wa.gov.></u> When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket UE-990473.

NOTICE

If you do not wish to comment at this time, but would like to receive future information about this rulemaking, please notify the Commission Secretary by mail, e-mail, or telephone, as indicated above. Please request to be included on the Docket No. UE-990473 mailing list.

Sincerely,

For CAROLE J. WASHBURN

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Secretary