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STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS (By Wednesday, November 14, 2018)

Re: Rulemaking to Consider Possible Corrections and Changes in Rules in WAC 480-07, Relating to Procedural Rules, Docket A-130355

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On March 20, 2013, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to consider possible additions or modifications to certain sections in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 480-07, the Commission's procedural rules. On September 21, 2018, the Commission entered General Order R-593, Order Amending, Repealing and Adopting Rules Permanently in this docket modifying WAC 480-07-160, governing confidential information, and WAC 480-07-420, governing protective orders in Commission adjudications. These revised rules will be effective on October 22, 2018.

In anticipation of the rules becoming effective, Commission staff in the Administrative Law Division has developed draft revisions to the Commission's standard protective order. The revisions reflect the changes to the procedural rules that the Commission adopted, reduce overlap with the rules, and update the order to reflect current practices. The draft revised protective order is available for inspection on the Commission's website at www.utc.wa.gov/130355.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Commission invites comments on the proposed revisions to the standard protective order. Written comments on the draft order must be submitted to the Commission for filing no later than **5:00 p.m.**, **Wednesday**, **November 14**, **2018**. Pursuant to WAC 480-07-250(3), written comments must be submitted in electronic form, specifically in searchable .pdf format (Adobe Acrobat or comparable software). As provided in WAC 480-07-140(5), those comments must be submitted via the Commission's web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing. If you are unable to submit documents via the portal, you may submit your comments by email to the Commission's

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Records Center at <u>records@utc.wa.gov</u> or by mailing or delivering an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a flash drive, DVD, or compact disc that includes the filed document(s). Comment submissions should include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (A-130355).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

The Commission will post all written comments on its website at the following URL address: www.utc.wa.gov/130355.

If you have questions regarding this rulemaking, you may contact staff lead, Gregory J. Kopta, at (360) 664-1355, or by email at gregory.kopta@utc.wa.gov.

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