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Dear Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC),

I am  a landlord for a property in PSE territory. Regardless of Governor direction, early in the pandemic I determined that it would be totally unethical to even consider an eviction during a pandemic with so many unemployed or facing substantial cutbacks of their hours. In a like manner, I believe it is unethical for private utilities  cutoff utilities or contribute to unreasonable debt for continued electricity, water and telecommunications. Residents are facing a winter where we depend on these utilities more than ever to help keep us safe and allow us to function in a world where many schools are only operating remotely and the ability to earn any income may require these utilities be operational in the home.

More than six months into the COVID-19 crisis, it is clearer than ever that the effects of the pandemic are not going away anytime soon. We need to act accordingly. It is imperative that our leaders pass the protections working people need, starting with debt relief, to get and stay well in this pandemic and beyond. Washington can be a state where everyone - no matter their race, income, or where they live -- has access to electricity and clean water. This is a state where people's health and well being, not corporate profits, can drive policymakers' decisions. Utilities are more essential than ever to keep our communities healthy and safe. Together, we must make sure that Washingtonians can count on essential utilities.

I am calling on the Utilities and Transportation Commission to do everything in its power to ensure that people have access to stable, debt-free utility service during this pandemic and beyond. This includes:

--Extend the moratorium on utility shut offs to at least April 30, or whenever all the counties in a utility's service territory have been in Phase 4 of Washington?s Safe Start Plan for at least 60 days
--No debt for poor and working class families
--Just payment plans for all utilities
--No late fees, disconnection fees, or reporting to credit agencies
--Ratepayers should not have to pay for all COVID-19 costs during this global crisis -- utilities must consider cutting executive and/or shareholder pay to ensure people's basic health and safety.

Sincerely,

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