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Dear Utilities and Transportation Commission Washington State,

Access to utilities is threatened for large numbers of people in WA state. Utilities are essential to keep our communities healthy and safe. We must make sure that Washingtonians can count on essential utilities.

I urge 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 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 costs during this global crisis -- utilities must consider cutting executive and/or shareholder pay to ensure people's basic health and safety.

Regards,
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