

January 8, 2002

- - SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE - -

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
AND TO PROPOSE ALTERNATIVE RULE LANGUAGE
(January 23, 2002)**

RE: Docket No. UT-990146
Chapter 480-120 WAC Telecommunications: Enhanced 9-1-1 (E911) obligations
of local exchange companies.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

As part of its ongoing examination of chapter 480-120 WAC, on August 24, 2001, the Commission provided notice of an amended draft of WAC 480-120-340, Enhanced 9-1-1 (E911) obligations of local exchange companies. The Commission requested comments by November 5, 2001. Since that time, the Commission Staff has prepared an alternative to WAC 480-120-340, and a new draft rule WAC 480-120-341, Local exchange carrier contact number, for use by public safety answering points. We now seek comments on the alternative drafts by January 23, 2002.

Copies of the alternative draft rules are enclosed and posted to the Commission's web site: <http://www.wutc.wa.gov/990146> (then click on "Rulemaking document file"). Please note that they are provided as changes to the August 24, 2001, noticed draft of WAC 480-120-340, and as an entirely new WAC 480-120-341 because there was no WAC 480-120-341 in the August 24, 2001, draft. In addition to comments, alternative rule language proposals are strongly advised as a means to guide Staff in its recommendations to Commissioners. Written comments and alternative rule language should be filed with the Commission **no later than Wednesday, January 23, 2002.**

Electronic copies. The Commission requests, but does not require, that comments be provided in electronic format to facilitate quotations from the comments, to enhance public access, and to reduce the need for additional paper copies. Please help us by sending an electronic copy with your paper filing on a 3-1/2 inch, IBM-formatted, high density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format, reflecting the pagination of your original.

Please also send us the text in your choice of .doc (Word 97 or later) or .wpd (WordPerfect 6.0 or later) and include all of the following information on the label of the diskette:

- * The docket number of this proceeding (UT-990146)
- * The commenting party's name
- * The title and date of the comment or comments; and
- * The type of software used

Please use one of the three-letter extensions noted above for all electronic files. You may also send your comments by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at <records@wutc.wa.gov>; if you choose this means of submitting comments, include all of the information requested above for the diskette label. The Commission will post on the Commission's web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <http://www.wutc.wa.gov>. Information about the schedule and other aspects of the rulemaking, including comments, 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 (1) call the Commission's Records Center at 360-664-1234, (2) e-mail the Commission at <records@wutc.wa.gov>, or (3) mail written comments to the address above to the attention of Carole J. Washburn, Secretary. When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket No. UT-990146 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list.

Commission Staff will use comments received to complete a draft that will be presented to the Commission and, if the Commissioners agree, published in the "State Register," as proposed amended rules. Following publication in the "State Register," there will be another comment period prior to a hearing before the Commission where the Commission will decide whether to adopt the proposed rules. Interested persons may also appear at the adoption hearing and present comments at that time.

If you have questions about this issue or the rulemaking in general, please contact Bob Shirley by e-mail at bshirley@wutc.wa.gov, or by calling 360-664-1292.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary

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