July 29, 2011

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

**(Due by Monday, August 8, 2011)**

RE: *Study of the Potential for Distributed Energy in Washington State,*

 Docket UE-110667

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) held a work session in this proceeding on Monday, July 25, 2011, at which participants discussed issues concerning interconnection and financial incentives for distributed energy, and challenges facing specific distributed energy technologies. Several participants sought clarity during the work session about the definition of distributed generation that the Commission will use in its study of the potential for distributed energy, as well as the purpose or goal of distributed generation, which may assist in identifying appropriate administrative or legislative proposals.

At the work session, the Commission notified participants that it would provide an additional opportunity to submit comments or to respond to comments previously filed. In addition, the Commission requests that interested persons submit comments addressing:

* How the Commission should define distributed generation for the purpose of the study, and whether the Legislature should define distributed generation differently than in RCW 19.285.030(9); and
* The purpose or goal of distributed generation in Washington, particularly in areas of the state served by investor-owned utilities, and how the goal or goals should assist the Commission and the Legislature identify appropriate administrative or legislative proposals to encourage distributed generation.

The Commission provides an opportunity for interested persons to provide additional comments by 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 8, 2011.** The Commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of providing responses, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted via the Commission’s Web portal ([www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing](http://www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing)) or by electronic mail to the Commission’s Records Center at <records@utc.wa.gov>. Please include:

* The docket number of this proceeding: UE-110667
* The commenting party’s name.
* The title and date of the comment or comments.

An alternative method for submitting comments is to mail/deliver an electronic copy to the Commission’s Records Center on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later format. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on its web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/110667>.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the Commission will always accept a paper document. Questions may be addressed to Elizabeth Osborne at (360) 664-1209 or e-mail at <eosborne@utc.wa.gov>.

Information about the schedule and other aspects of this inquiry, including comments, will be posted on the Commission’s web site as it becomes available. If you wish to receive further information on this inquiry you may:

* Call the Commission’s Records Center at (360) 664-1234.
* E-mail the Commission at records@utc.wa.gov.
* Mail written comments to the address below.

When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket UE-110667 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. The Commission’s mailing address is:

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## NOTICE

**If you do not want to comment now, but do want to receive future information about this inquiry, please notify the Executive Director and Secretary in a manner described above and ask to be included on the mailing list for Docket UE-110667. If you do not do this, you might not receive further information about this inquiry.**

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DANNER

Executive Director and Secretary