## April 18, 2007

## NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS (By Friday, May 18, 2007)

RE: Rulemaking to Implement the Energy Independence Act Docket No. UE-061895

## TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Following a March 26, 2007, stakeholder workshop the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a notice to all interested persons requesting comment on the initial draft of rules to implement the Energy Independence Act. The draft rules are available for inspection on the Commission's web site at <a href="www.wutc.wa.gov/061895">www.wutc.wa.gov/061895</a>. The March 20, 2007, notice established a due date of April 20, 2007, for written comments on the draft rules.

Three interested parties, Avista Corp., PacifiCorp, and Puget Sound Energy, Inc. recently notified the Commission of ongoing efforts to coordinate their comments. Additionally, these companies indicate that they will meet with other interested groups to see if further consensus can be reached. To fully pursue this effort these companies request an extension of time to file written comments on the draft rules.

The Commission extends the date for filing comments to **Friday, May 18, 2007**. The Commission offers any stakeholders who have not yet filed comments and stakeholders who wish to file additional comments during this round the same extension of time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nicolas Garcia at <a href="majarcia@wutc.wa.gov">ngarcia@wutc.wa.gov</a> or (360) 664-1346.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Executive Secretary