

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310) Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Subject of possible rule making: This rulemaking would consider changes to rules relating to price lists in light of SSB 6473, which eliminates the requirement that telecommunications companies files price lists. Rules that may be considered.

include: WAC 480-80-030, WAC 480-80-201 through WAC 480-80-206, WAC 480-80-241, WAC 480-80-242, WAC 480-120-021, WAC 480-120-061, WAC 480-120-102, WAC 480-120-103, WAC 480-120-122, WAC 480-120-161, WAC 480-120-171, WAC 480-120-172, WAC 480-120-196, WAC 480-120-263, WAC 480-120-264, WAC 480-120-540, WAC 480-120-560, WAC 480-121-011, WAC 480-121-018, and WAC 480-121-020. The rulemaking is assigned Docket UT-060676.	
Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:	
RCW 80.01.040(4), RCW 80.04.160.	
Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Senate Bill 6473 (SSB 6473), Chapter 347, Laws of 2006 eliminates price list requirements for telecommunications services. The new law takes effect on June 8, 2006. Compliance with SSB 6473 requires the UTC to examine its rules and modify any provisions that refer to price lists or are premised upon the filing requirement. It is expected that as a result of the new law the Commission may amend and adopt rules that require companies to communicate with customers directly using a written contract or customer service agreement instead of using price lists. Additional rules may be necessary to govern waivers, if withdrawal of a price list would harm customers or competition, and opportunities for customers to accept ongoing offers when price lists are withdrawn.	
Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:	
No other federal or state agencies regulate price lists for competitively classified telecommunications services.	
Process for developing new rule (check all that apply): Negotiated rule making Pilot rule making Agency study Other (describe) The commission will ask for initial comments, and will provide the opportunity for additional comments.	
How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication: (List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.) Interested persons may file comments with the Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W., Olympia, Washington, 98504-7250; Telephone (360) 664-1174; Facsimile (360) 586-1150, by Friday, June 30, 2006. For specific information regarding opportunities for written comments and to ensure receipt of further information concerning this rulemaking, please see the attachment to this form.	
DATE	CODE REVISER USE ONLY
May 3, 2006	
NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) Carole J. Washburn	Filed with the Code Reviser's Office May 3, 2006, 11:14 a.m. WSR 06-10-089
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Interested persons may contact the Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, Washington, 98504-7250, 360-664-1174 (Fax: 360-586-1150).

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments may be submitted to the Commission at the address given above and should be filed with the Commission no later than **June 30, 2006.**

Electronic copies. The commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted by e-mail to the commission's Records Center at records@wutc.wa.gov. Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (UT-060676)
- The commenting party's name
- The title and date of the comment or comments

An alternative method for submitting comments may be by mailing/delivering an electronic copy on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later. Include all of the information requested above. 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/telecom/pricelists. If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the commission will always accept a paper document.

Opportunity for further comment is anticipated. 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 UT-060676 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. Questions may be addressed to Tom Wilson (360) 664-1282 or e-mail at tomw@wutc.wa.gov.

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