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WORKSHOP AGENDA Customer Notice and Fees Rulemaking Docket U-210800

Aug. 29, 2022 1 to 5 p.m.

<u>Join Zoom Meeting</u> or by phone (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 833 0942 4915, Passcode: 106727)

Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Procedural history
- 3. Scope and process for the rulemaking and workshop
 - a. Discuss alternative to nonpayment disconnections
- 4. Summary of first and second round of written comments
- 5. Discussion (guided by the Notice questions and written comments)
 - a. What costs, if any, related to nonpayment/bad debt are not currently being recovered?
 - b. Do late payment fees, deposits, and reconnect/disconnect fees effectively prevent nonpayment?
 - c. Considering the impacts nonpayment disconnections have on individuals and communities, are there alternative ways to address to nonpayment other than disconnecting service?
 - d. What are the potential impacts of ending nonpayment disconnections for both companies and customers? Are there ways to mitigate those impacts to the companies without disconnecting customers?
 - e. Considering that large numbers of customers do not know they qualify or do not know energy assistance is available, how do we better connect customers to available assistance?
- 6. Next Steps and Rulemaking Timeline
 - a. Schedule second workshop
 - i. Proposed discussion topics / areas of focus