January 30, 2012

**NOTICE OF WORKSHOP**

**and**

**NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING**

**(Set for Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.)**

RE: Investigation of Recent Developments in Federal Telecommunications Policy,

Docket UT-111761

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On February 28, 2012, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) will conduct a recessed open meeting in the form of a workshop on recent developments in federal telecommunications policy (Docket UT-111761). Specifically, on November 18, 2011, the Federal Communications Commission released its Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in Docket WC 10-90, *et al.*, reforming the federal universal service and intercarrier compensation systems (USF/ICC Order). The purpose of the workshop is to examine the Order’s requirements and assess the impacts on carriers, consumers, and the Commission in Washington.

The workshop will begin at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at the Commission’s headquarters, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. The workshop will be informal and is scheduled for the entire day. Interested parties will have the opportunity to make presentations or comments on the USF/ICC Order, between and after which the Commission will conduct a general discussion.

Interested parties with any comments or questions regarding the workshop should contact Brian D. Thomas, the Commission’s Telecommunications Policy Advisor, at (360) 664-1212 or bthomas@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director and Secretary