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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS  
ON PROPOSED RULES  
(By Friday, September 21, 2018)**

**and**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION HEARING  
(Set for Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 1:30 p.m.)**

Re: Rulemaking regarding the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's jurisdiction and regulation of community solar companies, Docket UE-171033.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) proposes to adopt a new chapter in WAC 480. The Commission provides interested persons with the opportunity to file written comments on the proposed rules and to participate in the formal rule adoption hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 26, 2018.

On August 20, 2018, the Commission filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (CR-102) with the Office of the Code Reviser. The proposed rules would implement Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill (ESSB) 5939, by establishing rules for community solar companies. The Commission has reviewed comments on draft rules from stakeholders and now proposes rules subject to review and comment by interested persons. The proposed rules are available for inspection on the Commission's website at [www.utc.wa.gov/171033](http://www.utc.wa.gov/171033). The CR-102 filing initiates the final part of the rulemaking process, which includes a written comment period, a public adoption hearing, and a decision by the Commission.

**WRITTEN COMMENTS**

The commission gives notice of your opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed rules to the Commission by filing with the Commission Executive Director and

Secretary by electronic transmission no later than **5 p.m., Friday, September 21, 2018.** Comments must be in MS Word 6.0 (or later) supplemented by a separate file in .pdf (Adobe Acrobat) format and must include the following information:

- The docket number of this proceeding (UE-171033).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

You may submit comments via the Commission's web portal at [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](mailto:records@utc.wa.gov). Alternatively, you may submit a flash drive, DVD, or compact disk that contains the comments to the Records Center by mail or hand delivery. The Commission's mailing address is:

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The Commission will post all comments it receives on its website located at [www.utc.wa.gov/171033](http://www.utc.wa.gov/171033).

### **ADOPTION HEARING**

The Commission gives further notice of the opportunity to attend the public hearing and make oral comments about the rules proposed for adoption on **Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 1:30 p.m.** This public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W., Olympia, Washington.

**Questions?** If you have questions about this Notice, about the rulemaking process, or this rulemaking in particular, you may contact Gregory J. Kopta. He may be reached by mail at the address on this Notice, by email at [gregory.kopta@utc.wa.gov](mailto:gregory.kopta@utc.wa.gov), or by calling (360) 664-1355.

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