# Chapter 480-80 WAC

### **UTILITIES GENERAL—TARIFFS AND CONTRACTS**

WAC		480-80-049	Caller identification service. [Statutory Authority: RCW
	I. GENERAL RULES		80.01.040. WSR 92-08-075 (Order R-371, Docket No.
100 00 010			UT-920162), § 480-80-049, filed 3/30/92, effective 4/30/92.] Repealed by WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-
480-80-010	Application of rules.		991301, General Order No. R-481), filed 4/4/01, effec-
480-80-015 480-80-020	Exemptions from rules in chapter 480-80 WAC.		tive 5/5/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and
480-80-025	Additional requirements. Severability.		80.01.040.
480-80-030	Definitions.	480-80-050	Copies of tariff to be filed. [Statutory Authority: RCW
480-80-031	Delivery of tariff and contract filings.		80.01.040. WSR 87-24-055 (Order R-282, Cause No.
	, c		U-86-125), § 480-80-050, filed 11/30/87; Order R-5, §
	II. TARIFFS AND CONTRACTS: UTILITIES		480-80-050, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed
480-80-101	Tariff requirements.		by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. P. 408) filed 5/14/02 offertive 6/17/02 State
480-80-102	Tariff content.		Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-103	Tariff format.	480-80-060	Delivery of tariff. [Order R-5, § 480-80-060, filed
480-80-104	Transmittal letter.	100 00 000	6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
480-80-105 480-80-111	Tariff filing instructions.		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
480-80-111	Substitute tariff filings. Banded rate tariff filings.		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
480-80-121	Tariff changes with statutory notice.	400 00 070	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-122	Tariff changes with less than statutory notice.	480-80-070	Statutory notice. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040.
480-80-123	Tariff changes that do not require statutory notice.		WSR 89-15-042 (Order R-303, Docket No. U-89-2970-
480-80-124	Failure to provide statutory notice.		R), § 480-80-070, filed 7/18/89, effective 8/18/90; Order R-5, § 480-80-070, filed 6/6/69, effective
480-80-126	Telecommunications promotional offering.		10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-
480-80-131	Withdrawing a tariff filing.		991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effec-
480-80-132 480-80-133	Rejecting tariff changes.		tive 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and
480-80-134	Tariff adoption notice. Discontinuing a tariffed service or services.		80.04.180.
480-80-141	Service contract.	480-80-080	Tariff file at principal business office. [Order R-5, §
480-80-142	Special contracts for telecommunications companies not		480-80-080, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed
	classified as competitive.		by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General
480-80-143	Special contracts for gas, electric, and water companies.		Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
		480-80-090	Tariff file at designated business offices. [Order R-5, §
	DISPOSITION OF SECTIONS FORMERLY	400 00 070	480-80-090, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed
	CODIFIED IN THIS CHAPTER		by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General
			Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Stat-
480-80-035	Price lists. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and		utory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	80.01.040. WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301,	480-80-100	Payment agencies. [Order R-5, § 480-80-100, filed
	General Order No. R-481), § 480-80-035, filed 4/4/01,		6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	effective 5/5/01.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW		80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.	480-80-110	Reference to tariff file. [Order R-5, § 480-80-110, filed
480-80-040	Tariff. [Order R-5, § 480-80-040, filed 6/6/69, effective		6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081, filed 5/14/02,		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
	effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
400 00 041	and 80.04.180.	400 00 120	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-041	Tariff. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 87-24-055 (Order R-282, Cause No. U-86-125), § 480-80-	480-80-120	Notice to the public of tariff changes. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 85-20-003 (Order R-238,
	041, filed 11/30/87.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081		Cause No. U-85-44), § 480-80-120, filed 9/19/85; Order
	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed		R-5, § 480-80-120, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.]
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW		Repealed by WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301,
	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		General Order No. R-481), filed 4/4/01, effective
480-80-045	Filing of banded tariffs. [Statutory Authority: RCW		5/5/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and
	80.01.040. WSR 85-20-003 (Order R-238, Cause No.	400 00 125	80.01.040.
	U-85-44), § 480-80-045, filed 9/19/85.] Repealed by	480-80-125	Notice by utility to customers concerning hearing. [Stat-
	WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory		utory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 88-01-115 (Order R-283, Cause No. T-2118), § 480-80-125, filed
	Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		12/23/87; WSR 85-20-003 (Order R-238, Cause No. U-
480-80-047	Access charges. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040.		85-44), § 480-80-125, filed 9/19/85; WSR 82-13-088
	WSR 91-13-003 and 91-17-045 (Order R-344, Docket		(Order R-184, Cause No. U-82-03), § 480-80-125, filed
	No. UT-900880), § 480-80-047, filed 6/6/91 and		6/23/82. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040(4) and
	8/20/91, effective 7/7/91 and 9/20/91.] Repealed by		80.04.160. WSR 79-08-138 (Order R-128, Cause No.
	WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order		U-79-29), § 480-80-125, filed 8/1/79.] Repealed by
	No. R-481), filed 4/4/01, effective 5/5/01. Statutory		WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. P. 498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02, Statutory
480-80-048	Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and 80.01.040. Collective consideration of Washington intrastate rate,		No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
-100-00-0-10	tariff, or service proposals. [Statutory Authority: RCW]	480-80-130	Notation of receipt of tariff by agents. [Order R-5, §
	80.01.040 and chapter 80.36 RCW. WSR 92-07-010		480-80-130, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed
	(Order R-370, Docket No. UT-910856), § 480-80-048,		by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General
	filed 3/6/92, effective 4/6/92.] Repealed by WSR 01-09-		Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Stat-
	002 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-481),	400 00 140	utory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	filed 4/4/01, effective 5/5/01. Statutory Authority: RCW	480-80-140	Form of tariff sheets. [Order R-5, § 480-80-140, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	80.04.160 and 80.01.040.		0/0/07, effective 10/7/07.] Repealed by w SK 02-11-081

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	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed		(Docket No. UT 040015, General Order No. R-516), §
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW		480-80-206, filed 1/10/05, effective 2/10/05. Statutory
400 00 150	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498),
480-80-150	Numbering of tariffs. [Order R-5, § 480-80-150, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081		\$ 480-80-206, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]
	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed		Repealed by WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676,
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW		General Order R-540), filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07.
	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110,
480-80-160	General arrangement of tariff. [Order R-5, § 480-80-		80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040
	160, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR		and 80.04.160.
	02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No.	480-80-210	Index page. [Order R-5, § 480-80-210, filed 6/6/69,
	R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory		effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
100 00 170	Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
480-80-170	Schedule designation. [Order R-5, § 480-80-170, filed		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
	6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081	480-80-220	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.  Pulos and regulations page [Statutory Authority: PCW]
	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW	400-00-220	Rules and regulations page. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 85-20-003 (Order R-238, Cause No.
	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		U-85-44), § 480-80-220, filed 9/19/85; Order R-5, §
480-80-180	Tariff sheet designation. [Order R-5, § 480-80-180, filed		480-80-220, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed
	6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081		by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General
	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed		Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Stat-
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW		utory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.	480-80-230	Rate schedule page. [Order R-5, § 480-80-230, filed
480-80-190	Numbering plan for sheets. [Order R-5, § 480-80-190,		6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
	11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.	480-80-240	Less than statutory notice. [Statutory Authority: RCW
480-80-200	Title page. [Order R-5, § 480-80-200, filed 6/6/69,	400-00-240	80.01.040. WSR 93-24-103 (Order R-400, Docket No.
400 00 200	effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081		A-930517), § 480-80-240, filed 12/1/93, effective
	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed		1/1/94; WSR 86-14-113 (Order R-263, Cause No. U-86-
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW		42), § 480-80-240, filed 7/2/86; WSR 85-20-003 (Order
	80.01.040 and 80.04.180.		R-238, Cause No. U-85-44), § 480-80-240, filed
480-80-201	Use of price lists. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040		9/19/85; Order R-5, § 480-80-240, filed 6/6/69, effec-
	and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301,		tive 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No.
	General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-201, filed 5/14/02,		U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02,
	effective 6/17/02.] Repealed by WSR 07-08-027		effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	(Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW	480-80-241	Filing contracts for services classified as competitive.
	80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333,	100 00 211	[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160.
	80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160.		WSR 03-24-028 (General Order R-510, Docket No. A-
480-80-202	Interpretation and application of price lists. [Statutory		010648), § 480-80-241, filed 11/24/03, effective 1/1/04.
	Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-		Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498),		WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order
	§ 480-80-202, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]		No. R-498), § 480-80-241, filed 5/14/02, effective
	Repealed by WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676,		6/17/02.] Repealed by WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-
	General Order R-540), filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07.		060676, General Order R-540), filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.
	Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040		110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338,
	and 80.04.160.		80.01.040 and 80.04.160.
480-80-203	Transmittal letter. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01	480-80-242	Using contracts for services classified as competitive.
.00 00 203	040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-		[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-203, filed		WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order
	5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.] Repealed by WSR 07-08-		No. R-498), § 480-80-242, filed 5/14/02, effective
	027 (Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), filed		6/17/02.] Repealed by WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-
	3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW		060676, General Order R-540), filed 3/27/07, effective
	80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333,		4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338,
480-80-204	80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160.  Price lists format and content. [Statutory Authority:		80.01.040 and 80.04.160.
400-00-204	RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 05-03-031	480-80-250	Adoption notice. [Order R-5, § 480-80-250, filed
	(Docket No. UT 040015, General Order No. R-516), §	.00 00 200	6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	480-80-204, filed 1/10/05, effective 2/10/05. Statutory		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
	Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
	081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498),		80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	§ 480-80-204, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]	480-80-260	Tariff of acquired utility. [Order R-5, § 480-80-260,
	Repealed by WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676,		filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-
	General Order R-540), filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07.		11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-
	Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040		498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	and 80.04.160.	480-80-270	Reference to tariff. [Order R-5, § 480-80-270, filed
480-80-205	Effective date of price list filings. [Statutory Authority:	400 00 270	6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
400 00 203	RCW 80.01.040, 80.04.160, 81.04.160, and 34.05.353.		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
	WSR 03-22-046 (Docket No. A-030832, General Order		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
	No. R-509), § 480-80-205, filed 10/29/03, effective		80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
	11/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and	480-80-280	Issuing agent. [Order R-5, § 480-80-280, filed 6/6/69,
	80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301,		effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-205, filed 5/14/02,		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
	effective 6/17/02.] Repealed by WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), filed		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
	3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW	480-80-290	80.01.040 and 80.04.180. Suspension of tariffs. [Order R-5, § 480-80-290, filed
	80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333,	700-00-270	6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
	80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160.		(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed
480-80-206	Price list availability to customers. [Statutory Authority:		5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
	RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 05-03-031		80.01.040 and 80.04.180.

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480-80-300	Rejection of tariffs. [Order R-5, § 480-80-300, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
480-80-310	80.01.040 and 80.04.180. Exceptions. [Order R-5, § 480-80-310, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081
480-80-320	(Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.  Discontinuance of service. [Order R-5, § 480-80-320,
	filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-325	Contract for service. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04160 and 80.01.040. WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-481), § 480-80-325, filed 4/4/01, effective 5/5/01.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW
480-80-326	80.01.040 and 80.04.180. Contract for gas and electric service. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and 80.01.040. WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-481), § 480-80-326, filed 4/4/01, effective 5/5/01.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order
480-80-330	No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. Telecommunications contracts. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.080, 80.01.040 and the United States Tele-
	communications Act of 1996, Section 254. WSR 98-04-028 (Order R-448, Docket No. UT-970317), § 480-80-330, filed 1/28/98, effective 2/28/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 89-12-038 (Order R-301, Docket No. U-88-1704-R), § 480-80-330, filed 6/1/89; WSR 88-22-037 (Order 291, Docket No. U-88-2337-R), § 480-80-330, filed 10/28/88; Order R-5, § 480-80-330, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-335	Special contracts for electric, water, and natural gas companies. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and 80.01.040. WSR 00-17-048 (General Order No. R-472, Docket No. U-991928), § 480-80-335, filed 8/7/00, effective 9/7/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 88-22-037 (Order 291, Docket No. U-88-2337-R), § 480-80-335, filed 10/28/88.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-340	Forms. [Order R-5, § 480-80-340, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-350	Refiling tariffs. [Order R-5, § 480-80-350, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-360	Standard tariff forms. [Order R-5, § 480-80-360, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-370	Symbols. [Order R-5, § 480-80-370, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040
480-80-380	and 80.04.180. Availability of rules. [Order R-5, § 480-80-380, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.] Repealed by WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180.
480-80-390	Mandatory cost changes for telecommunications companies. [Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 94-01-146 (Order R-406, Docket No. UT-931027), § 480-80-390, filed 12/21/93, effective 1/21/94; WSR 93-09-050 (Order R-385, Docket No. UT-920960), § 480-80-390, filed 4/19/93, effective 5/20/93; WSR 89-19-038 (Order R-307, Docket No. U-89-2876-R), § 480-80-390, filed 9/15/89, effective 10/16/89.] Repealed by

WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-481), filed 4/4/01, effective 5/5/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and 80.01.040.

#### I. GENERAL RULES

**WAC 480-80-010 Application of rules.** (1) The rules in this chapter apply to any public service company that is subject to the jurisdiction of the commission as to rates and services under the provisions of Title 80 RCW.

- (2) The tariffs and contracts filed by public service companies must conform with these rules. If the commission accepts a tariff or contract that conflicts with these rules, the acceptance does not constitute a waiver of these rules unless the commission specifically approves the variation consistent with WAC 480-80-015 (Exemptions from rules in chapter 480-80 WAC). Tariffs or contracts that conflict with these rules without approval are superseded by these rules.
- (3) Any affected person may ask the commission to review the interpretation of these rules by a public service company or customer by posing an informal complaint under WAC 480-07-910 (Informal complaints), or by filing a formal complaint under WAC 480-07-370 (Pleadings—General).
- (4) No deviation from these rules is permitted without written authorization by the commission. Violations will be subject to penalties as provided by law.
- (5) Any tariff or contract on file and in effect or pending on the effective date of these rules is not required to be refiled to comply with these rules.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), § 480-80-010, filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 03-24-028 (General Order R-510, Docket No. A-010648), § 480-80-010, filed 11/24/03, effective 1/1/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-010, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.04.160 and 80.01.040. WSR 01-09-002 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-481), § 480-80-010, filed 4/4/01, effective 5/5/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 85-20-003 (Order R-238, Cause No. U-85-44), § 480-80-010, filed 9/19/85; Order R-5, § 480-80-010, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.]

WAC 480-80-015 Exemptions from rules in chapter 480-80 WAC. (1) The commission may grant an exemption from the provisions of any rule in this chapter, if consistent with the public interest, the purposes underlying regulation, and applicable statutes.

- (2) To request a rule exemption, a person must file with the commission a written request identifying the rule for which an exemption is sought, giving a full explanation of the reason for requesting the exemption.
- (3) The commission will assign the request a docket number, if it does not arise in an existing docket, and will schedule the request for consideration at one of its regularly scheduled open meetings or, if appropriate under chapter 34.05 RCW, in an adjudication. The commission will notify the person requesting the exemption, and other affected persons, of the date of the hearing or open meeting when the commission will consider the request.
- (4) In determining whether to grant the request, the commission may consider whether application of the rule would impose undue hardship on the petitioner, of a degree or a kind

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different from hardship imposed on other similarly situated persons, and whether the effect of applying the rule would be contrary to the purposes of the rule.

(5) The commission will enter an order granting or denying the request or setting it for hearing, pursuant to chapter 480-07 WAC.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), § 480-80-015, filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 03-24-028 (General Order R-510, Docket No. A-010648), § 480-80-015, filed 1/24/03, effective 1/1/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-015, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

- WAC 480-80-020 Additional requirements. (1) These rules do not relieve any public service company from any of its duties and obligations under the laws of the state of Washington.
- (2) The commission retains the authority to impose additional or different requirements on any public service company in appropriate circumstances, consistent with the requirements of law.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-020, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02; Order R-5, § 480-80-020, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.]

WAC 480-80-025 Severability. If any provision of this chapter or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the chapter or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-025, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

- **WAC 480-80-030 Definitions.** The definitions in this section apply throughout the chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
- "Advice number" means a number assigned by the applicant to a tariff filing or contract filing for internal tracking purposes.
- "Banded rate" means a rate that has a minimum and maximum rate.
- "Commission" means the Washington utilities and transportation commission.
- "Competitive telecommunications company" means a telecommunications company that has been classified as competitive by the commission pursuant to RCW 80.36.310.
- **"Fax"** means the transmittal of electronic signals over telephone lines for conversion into written text.
- "Public service company" means every gas company, electric company, telecommunications company, water company, or irrigation plant that is subject to the jurisdiction of the commission as to rates and service.
  - "RCW" means the Revised Code of Washington.
- "Tariff" is a document that sets forth terms and conditions of regulated service, including rates, charges, tolls, rentals, rules, and equipment and facilities, and the manner in which rates and charges are assessed for regulated services

provided to customers, and rules and conditions associated with offering service.

"Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number" means the standard nine-digit sequential number issued by Washington state and used by all state agencies to uniquely identify a business entity. The department of licensing, department of revenue, and secretary of state's office are authorized to issue UBI numbers.

"Utility" means every public service company that has not been classified as competitive by the commission.

"WAC" means the Washington Administrative Code.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), § 480-80-030, filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-030, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040. WSR 85-20-003 (Order R-238, Cause No. U-85-44), § 480-80-030, filed 9/19/85; Order R-5, § 480-80-030, filed 6/6/69, effective 10/9/69.]

#### WAC 480-80-031 Delivery of tariff and contract fil-

- ings. (1) The commission records center will accept a tariff or contract filing delivered in person, by mail, fax, or electronic means. The commission records center will stamp a filing received on Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, or after 5:00 p.m., Pacific time, as received on the next business day.
  - (2) In person or by mail.
- (a) In order to be deemed received on a given day, the commission records center must receive an original and two copies of the filing(s) and a transmittal letter by 5:00 p.m., Pacific time.
- (b) A filing delivered by mail must be free from all charges for postage. The commission records center will return any postage-due filing to the sender.
  - (3) Fax filing.
- (a) The commission records center must receive an original and two copies of the filing the following business day.
- (b) The commission will use the date and time the fax filing is received and printed at the commission records center as the official file date.
- (c) The commission records center must receive a faxed filing in its entirety by 5:00 p.m., Pacific time, Monday through Friday, except on state holidays, to be considered received on that business day.
  - (4) Electronic filing.
- (a) An electronic filing must conform to commission procedures for electronic filing.
- (b) After accepting an electronic filing, the commission records center will return an electronic mail message noting the receipt date.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.36.010, 80.36.110, 80.36.320, 80.36.330, 80.36.333, 80.36.338, 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 07-08-027 (Docket UT-060676, General Order R-540), § 480-80-031, filed 3/27/07, effective 4/27/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-031, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

#### II. TARIFFS AND CONTRACTS: UTILITIES

WAC 480-80-101 Tariff requirements. (1) A utility that is required to have a tariff on file with the commission must file and maintain its tariff(s) as required in the RCW and WAC.

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- (2)(a) A utility that provides more than one kind of service, such as gas, electric, or water, must file a separate tariff for each service type.
- (b) Each tariff must have an official designation number, printed as WN U-number. Subsequent tariff designations must be sequentially numbered in ascending order.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-101, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

## WAC 480-80-102 Tariff content. The tariff must include:

- (1) **Title page.** The first sheet of the tariff must contain the following information:
  - (a) Tariff number;
  - (b) The canceled tariff number, when applicable;
  - (c) The types of services covered by the tariff;
- (d) An identification of the territory to which the tariff applies;
  - (e) Effective date of the sheet; and
- (f) The complete name, address, phone number, unified business identifier (UBI) number, and if available, the mail address and web page address of the issuing utility.
- (2) **Index or table of contents.** The second section of the tariff must be updated, when applicable, whenever a tariff sheet is added, revised, or canceled. It must include:
  - (a) Tariff number;
  - (b) Name of the utility issuing the tariff;
- (c) Effective date of the revised index or table of contents sheet; and
- (d) A complete and accurate list of the contents of the tariff.
- (3) **Legend of symbols.** This section must identify all symbols used in the tariff to identify changes resulting from the filing of the specific sheet change. The list must include the required symbols and their meanings, and any other utility-specific symbol with its meaning, consistent with the requirements identified in WAC 480-80-105(4).
- (4) **Rules section.** The rules section sets forth the conditions governing services under the tariff.
- (a) The rules section must include the following, when applicable:
  - (i) Application for service;
  - (ii) Definition of service;
  - (iii) Reconnection charge;
  - (iv) Service connection;
  - (v) Installation of meters;
- (vi) Distribution main or line extension unless specified in a rate schedule;
- (vii) Responsibility for, and maintenance of, distribution plant and service lines;
  - (viii) Access to premises;
  - (ix) Interruptions to service;
  - (x) Bills;
  - (xi) Deposits:
  - (xii) Delinquent accounts;
  - (xiii) Discontinuance of service; and
- (xiv) The method the utility will use to give notice to its customers of changes within the limits of a banded rate.
- (b) Gas companies must also include the requirements set out in:

- (i) WAC 480-90-233 (Purchased gas adjustment) (may be included in rules section or rates section);
  - (ii) WAC 480-90-303 (Heating value of gas); and
- (iii) WAC 480-90-343 (Statement of meter test procedures).
- (c) Electric companies must also include the requirements set out in WAC 480-100-343 (Statement of meter test procedures).
- (d) Rules for specific services may be included in either the rate schedule section or the rules section.
  - (5) Rate schedule section.
- (a) Rate schedule sheets must include the following, when applicable:
  - (i) Schedule number;
  - (ii) A title that accurately describes the service;
  - (iii) Availability;
  - (iv) The rates to be paid for the service;
- (v) Any special terms or conditions associated with the service or the calculation of rates to be paid for the service.
- (b) Telecommunications companies not classified as competitive must also provide the following information, when applicable, based upon the type of service offered:
  - (i) Exchange service rate schedules that include:
  - (A) Primary rate schedules;
  - (B) Private branch exchange rate schedules;
  - (C) Miscellaneous rate schedules; and
  - (D) Exchange area maps.
  - (ii) Inter-exchange service rate schedules that include:
  - (A) Basic rate schedules:
  - (B) Supplementary rate schedules; and
  - (C) List of toll points.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-102, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

# WAC 480-80-103 Tariff format. (1) Tariff sheet format.

- (a) A utility must clearly print or type all tariffs on eight and one-half inch by eleven inch paper, with at least one-half inch margins on each side.
- (b) The tariff sheet must include a blank space at least two inches wide and one and one-half inches high in the upper right hand corner of the sheet for commission use.
- (c) Tariff sheets filed electronically must meet the requirements set forth in the applicable commission procedures.
  - (2) **Sheet requirements.** Each tariff sheet must specify:
  - (a) The designated tariff number;
  - (b) The tariff sheet revision number;
  - (c) The name of the utility issuing the tariff; and
  - (d) The effective date.
- (3) **Sheet numbering.** Each tariff sheet must have a unique sheet number.
- (a) The utility must designate the initial tariff sheet as the "original sheet."
- (b) All subsequent revisions must be in sequential order and indicate the cancellation of the superseded sheet as follows:

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On the first revision, designate the sheet as: FIRST (or 1st) REVISION OF SHEET

CANCELING ORIGINAL SHEET

On the second revision, designate the sheet as: SECOND (or 2nd) REVISION OF SHEET CANCELING

FIRST REVISION OF SHEET

- (c) Each tariff revision sheet must use consecutive revision numbers and indicate the cancellation of the superseded sheet.
- (d) A utility may reuse revision numbers assigned to sheets that were rejected or withdrawn for subsequent tariff changes.
- (e) A utility may not reuse sheet numbers assigned to tariff sheets that are canceled and removed from the tariff during the life of the tariff unless the utility specifies that the sheet is reserved for future use.
- (f) A utility may assign sheet numbers to sheets intended for future use.

#### (4) Authorizing signature.

- (a) When the tariff sheets are submitted without a signature, the utility must include a statement in the transmittal letter certifying that the submitting person has authority to issue tariff revisions on behalf of the utility; or
- (b) When the tariff sheets are submitted with a signature, such signature constitutes a certification that the person signing the tariff sheet has the authority to issue the tariff sheets on behalf of the utility.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-103, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

WAC 480-80-104 Transmittal letter. A utility must submit a transmittal letter with all tariff and contract filings. The transmittal letter must:

- (1) Identify all new tariffs or contracts, or identify the tariff or contract changes;
- (2) Explain in understandable terms why the tariff or contract filing is being submitted;
- (3) Specify the changes requested in clear and concise terms and define any acronyms used;
- (4) Refer to the commonly used name of the service, the advice number, if known, and the docket number, if applicable:
- (5) Include the advice number if the utility uses consecutively numbered advice letters;
- (6) Describe the general effect of, and reasons for, tariff or contract filings involving only text changes;
- (7) Describe which services are affected, and the dollar amount and percentage of increase or decrease if the filing is a rate change. If a combination of changes is filed (i.e., increases and decreases), each change should be described, as well as the net effect on company revenues; and
- (8) If the utility does not include an authorizing signature on the tariff sheets, include a statement certifying that the submitting person has authority to issue tariff revisions on behalf of the utility.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-104, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

## **WAC 480-80-105 Tariff filing instructions.** (1) A tariff filing must:

- (a) Comply with statutory notice requirements;
- (b) Specify the requested effective date of the tariff sheet:
- (c) Include an original and two copies of each tariff sheet unless it is filed electronically; and
- (d) Be accompanied by a transmittal letter as set forth in WAC 480-80-104.
- (2) Tariff filings must comply with the requirements set forth in chapter 480-07 WAC, where applicable.
- (3) The tariff filing must include information sufficient to determine that the proposed tariff is fair, just, and reasonable.
- (4) **Tariff symbols.** Each time a tariff sheet(s) is revised, a utility must code all changes with the tariff symbol that best reflects the purpose and effect of the change. A utility:
- (a) Must locate the symbols on the right hand side of the changed text directly across from the change;
  - (b) Must use the following list of symbols to signify:
  - **D** Discontinued rate, service, regulation, or condition;
  - N New rate, service, regulation, condition, or sheet;
  - **I** A rate increase:
  - **R** A rate reduction;
  - **C** Changed condition or regulation;
- **K** That material has been transferred **to** another sheet in the tariff. (A footnote is required on the tariff sheet to identify the material's new sheet number);
- **M** That material has been transferred **from** another sheet in the tariff. (A footnote is required on the tariff sheet to identify the material's former sheet number);
  - **T** A change in text for clarification;
- **O** no change. (This symbol is discretionary unless specifically requested by the commission); and
- (c) May use additional symbols for other purposes when it has identified the symbols in its tariff as provided for in WAC 480-80-102(3).
- (5) A utility must not give effect to revised tariff sheets until the commission approves the tariff filing by issuing an order or the new or changed provisions become effective by operation of law.
- (6) When a tariff sheet(s) becomes effective, the commission will return one copy of the transmittal letter and one copy of each tariff sheet to the utility marked with the receipt date.
- (7) The commission may require a utility to refile the tariff in its entirety should circumstances warrant it.
- (8) If the commission issues an order directing a utility to refile all or a portion of its tariff, the utility must refile, marking each affected sheet with the docket number.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 03-24-028 (General Order R-510, Docket No. A-010648), § 480-80-105, filed 11/24/03, effective 1/1/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-105, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

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- WAC 480-80-111 Substitute tariff filings. (1) A utility may file substitute tariff sheets within a pending tariff filing if:
- (a) There is no material change to the terms and conditions of service contained in the pending tariff sheet. This restriction does not apply to changes made to address commission concerns with the filing;
- (b) The change does not increase the rates contained in the pending tariff sheet; or
- (c) The change is to make typographical corrections to the pending tariff sheet.
- (2) The filing must include a transmittal letter as set forth in WAC 480-80-104. The substitute filing must include the notation "Do Not Redocket."
- (3) The commission retains discretion to reject any substitute tariff sheets where doing so is in the public interest.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-111, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

# WAC 480-80-112 Banded rate tariff filings. (1) Telecommunications companies not classified as competitive. Telecommunications companies not classified as competitive may file banded rate tariffs. The filings must, at a minimum, be accompanied with the following:

- (a) A statement supporting the use of a banded rate tariff rather than a tariff with fixed rates;
- (b) A verifiable cost-of-service study supporting the contention that the minimum rate in the banded rate tariff covers the cost of the service. Costs will be determined under a long-run incremental cost analysis, including, as part of the incremental cost, the price charged to other telecommunications companies for any essential function used to provide the service, or any other commission-approved cost method; and
- (c) Information detailing the potential effect on revenue of the proposed banded rate tariff range, as well as the effect on revenue of the current or proposed rate.
- (2) **Gas and electric companies.** Gas and electric companies may file banded rate tariffs for any nonresidential gas or electric service that is subject to effective competition from energy suppliers not regulated by the commission. When a gas or electric company files for a banded rate tariff, the filings must, at a minimum, be accompanied with the following:
- (a) A statement supporting the use of a banded rate tariff rather than a tariff with fixed rates;
- (b) A verifiable cost-of-service study supporting the contention that the minimum rate in the banded rate tariff covers all costs resulting from providing the service and provides a contribution to fixed costs; and
- (c) Information detailing the potential effect on revenue of the proposed banded rate tariff range, as well as the effect on revenue of the current or proposed rate.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-112, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

- WAC 480-80-121 Tariff changes with statutory notice. (1) The statutory notice periods for tariff changes are:
- (a) The commission must receive tariff changes not less than thirty days in advance of the requested effective date as required by RCW 80.28.060 and 80.36.110 (1)(a);
- (b) The commission must receive telecommunications tariff changes that reduce rates with no offsetting rate increases not less than ten days in advance of the requested effective date, as required by RCW 80.36.110 (2)(a). If a company makes a filing pursuant to this subsection, it may not file for an increase to any rate, charge, rental, or toll to recover the revenue deficit that results from the decrease for a period of one year.
- (2) The statutory notice period begins on the date the commission receives the tariff filing, in accordance with WAC 480-80-031.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 80.04.160, 81.04.160, and 34.05.353. WSR 03-22-046 (Docket No. A-030832, General Order No. R-509), § 480-80-121, filed 10/29/03, effective 11/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-121, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

# WAC 480-80-122 Tariff changes with less than statutory notice. (1) The commission may allow tariff changes to become effective with less than the statutory notice (LSN) period specified in WAC 480-80-121(1) when the utility provides good cause. A utility filing for LSN treatment may use an LSN form provided by the commission, or may submit a letter that includes the following:

- (a) Utility information:
- (i) Name and address of utility;
- (ii) Telephone number, e-mail address, and fax number; and
  - (iii) Name of contact person for the filing.
  - (b) Tariff identification information:
  - (i) Number of the tariff being amended;
- (ii) Title of the tariff item(s) being amended, if applicable: and
  - (iii) Number of the tariff sheet being amended.
  - (c) Concise description of the changes being proposed;
  - (d) Reason(s) for requesting LSN handling;
  - (e) Effective date requested; and
- (f) If the utility does not include an authorizing signature on the tariff sheets, a statement certifying that the submitting person has authority to issue tariff changes on behalf of the utility.
- (2) A utility requesting LSN must file tariff sheets with an effective date that reflects the required statutory notice period.
- (3) If the LSN request is granted, the commission will issue an order directing that the tariff sheets be revised to reflect the authorized LSN effective date.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 80.04.160, 81.04.160, and 34.05.353. WSR 03-22-046 (Docket No. A-030832, General Order No. R-509), § 480-80-122, filed 10/29/03, effective 11/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-122, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

WAC 480-80-123 Tariff changes that do not require statutory notice. (1) A utility must file with the commission tariff changes that do not require statutory notice at least one day before the effective date.

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- (2) The filing must include a transmittal letter as set forth in WAC 480-80-104 (Transmittal letter).
- (3) Tariff changes that do not require statutory notice include:
  - (a) Initial tariffs filed by a newly regulated utility;
- (b) A filing for a service not previously contained within a regulated utility's existing tariff;
- (c) A change to a telecommunications tariff not affecting the rates or charges paid by customers;
- (d) A change to a tariff, other than a telecommunications tariff, that does not affect the public; and
- (e) A change in a banded rate when notice to customers has been or will be given in accordance with tariff rules applicable to the service.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 05-03-031 (Docket No. UT 040015, General Order No. R-516), § 480-80-123, filed 1/10/05, effective 2/10/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-123, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

#### WAC 480-80-124 Failure to provide statutory notice.

Except as provided under WAC 480-80-122, a tariff filing issued without the required statutory notice to the commission and the public has the same status as if the tariff filing had not been issued. A utility must give full statutory notice on any reissued tariff filing. The commission will promptly notify the utility in writing when a tariff filing is rejected for failure to provide statutory notice, but failure to notify the utility will not affect the status of the tariff filing.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-124, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

# WAC 480-80-126 Telecommunications promotional offering. (1) Any telecommunications tariff filing that makes a promotional offering becomes effective on the later of the effective date stated in the tariff or the date it is filed with the commission.

(2) For purposes of this section, a promotional offering is a telecommunications tariff that, for a period of up to ninety days, waives or reduces charges or conditions of service for existing or new subscribers for the purpose of retaining or increasing the number of customers who subscribe to or use a service.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 80.04.160, 81.04.160, and 34.05.353. WSR 03-22-046 (Docket No. A-030832, General Order No. R-509), § 480-80-126, filed 10/29/03, effective 11/29/03.]

# WAC 480-80-131 Withdrawing a tariff filing. When withdrawing a filing, a utility must submit a letter that includes the following:

- (1) The name and address of the utility;
- (2) Docket number;
- (3) Advice number, if applicable;
- (4) The name of the contact person for the withdrawal;
- (5) An explanation of why it is requesting the with-drawal; and
- (6) A statement certifying that the submitting person has authority to withdraw the filing on behalf of the utility.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-131, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

WAC 480-80-132 Rejecting tariff changes. The commission will reject any tariff change that reflects retroactive rate treatment. The commission may reject any tariff change that does not comply with commission rules.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-132, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

WAC 480-80-133 Tariff adoption notice. (1) A utility must file a tariff adoption notice with the commission when either of the following changes affects an existing tariff:

- (a) Transfer of the operating control or ownership; or
- (b) Utility name change.
- (2) The acquiring utility must file the tariff adoption notice if there is a change in ownership or operating control. The surviving utility must file the tariff adoption notice if there is a name change.
- (3) Content of the tariff adoption notice must contain, at a minimum, the following:

(Name of Utility) adopts and makes its own in every respect all tariffs, supplements and amendments filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission by (Name of Previous Utility or Prior Name of the Utility) prior to (Date).

- (4) The tariff adoption notice may be made effective on one day's notice.
- (5) In the event of a change in control or ownership, as described above, the utility adopting the tariff must file to incorporate the adopted tariff in its own tariff within sixty days of the date of the filing of the adoption notice. In the event of a name change the time limit is one year.
- (6) Until the utility that adopted a tariff refiles the tariff in its own name, all changes after the adoption must include:
- (a) The name of the utility whose tariff was adopted at the top of the sheet; and
- (b) The name of the utility that adopted the tariff at the bottom of the sheet.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-133, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

WAC 480-80-134 Discontinuing a tariffed service or services. When discontinuing a service or services, a utility must file to cancel the applicable tariff sheets in the same manner as required by tariff filing instructions set forth in WAC 480-80-105. The commission will handle discontinuation filings in the same manner and in accordance with the same provisions governing all other tariff filings.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-134, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

- WAC 480-80-141 Service contract. (1) A utility may use service contracts when its tariff requires certain assurances from the customer for a specific service level such as a commitment to a minimum period of service.
- (2) If the utility chooses to use service contracts, the utility must provide the commission with samples of the service contracts.

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- (a) Gas, electric, and water companies must provide the commission with samples of all service contracts currently in use.
- (b) Telecommunications companies not classified as competitive must provide the commission with samples of current service contracts within five days after a request by the commission.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.180. WSR 02-11-081 (Docket No. U-991301, General Order No. R-498), § 480-80-141, filed 5/14/02, effective 6/17/02.]

- WAC 480-80-142 Special contracts for telecommunications companies not classified as competitive. (1) Contracts to be filed. Telecommunications companies not classified as competitive must file with the commission:
- (a) All contracts for retail sale to end-use customers of intrastate telecommunications services not classified as competitive that:
- (i) State rates, charges, prices, terms, or conditions that are not consistent with any existing tariff; or
- (ii) Provide for telecommunications services not specifically addressed in the existing tariffs.
- (b) Any significant modification of a previously executed contract will be treated as a new contract.
- (c) A service order made pursuant to a filed contract is not itself a contract or contract amendment and need not be filed with the commission.
- (2) Duration. All contracts must be for a stated time period.
- (3) Ratemaking disclaimer. Unless otherwise provided by the commission, approval of contracts will not be determinative with respect to the expenses and revenues of the company for subsequent ratemaking considerations.
- (4) Types of telecommunications contracts. The following types of telecommunications contracts have special or unique features, effective dates, and requirements:
- (a) Federal, state, and local government "firm bid" contracts are governed under subsection (5) of this section.
- (b) School, library, and rural health care (RHC) provider contracts entered into pursuant to 47 C.F.R., Part 54, are governed under subsection (6) of this section.
- (c) All other retail contracts are governed under subsection (7) of this section.

SUMMARY COMPARISON OF THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF RETAIL CONTRACTS							
Subsection	<b>Contract Type</b>	ontract Type When to File					
(5)	Federal, State, and Local Firm Bid	no later than fif- teen days after acceptance	when filed or later as specified				
(6)	47 C.F.R. Part 54; Schools, Libraries, and RHCs	no later than fif- teen days after acceptance	when filed or later as specified				
(7)	All other retail contracts	no later than thirty days prior to the proposed effective date	at least thirty days after filing				

(5) Federal, state, and local government "firm bid" contracts - filing requirements and effective dates. Where a government agency asserts its authority to solicit a firm offer of services, and a contract subject to this section is submitted in

- response to that solicitation, the noncompetitive telecommunications company must file the contract with the commission no later than fifteen days after acceptance. The filing must include the same documentation as required for approval by subsection (7)(b) of this section and, if applicable, subsection (8) of this section. The contract will become effective at the time specified in the contract, but not earlier than when filed with the commission.
- (6) School, library, and RHC provider contracts filing requirements and effective dates. A telecommunications company that enters into a contract to provide service to a school, library, or RHC provider, as part of the federal universal service program, must file the contract with the commission no later than fifteen days after acceptance by the administrator of the federal universal service program. The filing must include the same documentation as required for approval by subsection (7)(b) of this section and, if applicable, subsection (8) of this section. The contract will become effective at the time specified in the contract, but not earlier than when filed with the commission.
- (7) All other retail contracts standard filing requirements and effective dates.
- (a) Contracts must be filed with the commission not less than thirty days before the proposed effective date of the contract
- (b) Each application filed for commission approval of a contract must:
  - (i) Include a complete copy of the proposed contract;
- (ii) Show that the contract meets the requirements of RCW 80.36.170 (Prohibiting unreasonable preference) and RCW 80.36.180 (Prohibiting rate discrimination);
- (iii) Demonstrate, at a minimum, that the contract charges cover the company's cost of providing the service. Costs will be determined under a long-run incremental cost analysis, including as part of the incremental cost, the price charged by the offering company to other telecommunications companies for any essential function used to provide the service, or any other commission-approved cost method.
- (iv) Summarize the basis of the charge(s) proposed in the contract and explain the derivation of the proposed charge(s) including all cost computations involved; and
- (v) Indicate the basis for using a contract rather than a filed tariff for the specific service involved.
- (c) Contracts will become effective on the effective date stated on the contract or thirty days after the filing date, whichever occurs later, unless suspended or rejected by the commission. The commission may approve an earlier effective date if requested by the company, in which event the contract shall not become effective on a date that precedes commission approval. A request for an earlier effective date must include a complete explanation of why an earlier effective date is appropriate.
- (8) Confidentiality. Filings under this section may be submitted with portions designated "confidential" pursuant to WAC 480-07-160. However, any filing that designates as "confidential" the essential terms and conditions will be rejected by the commission as not in compliance with the public inspection requirement of RCW 80.36.150(1). Essential terms and conditions are:
- (a) Nature, characteristics, and quantity of the service provided;

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- (b) Duration of the contract, including the stated effective date, ending date, and any options to renew;
- (c) Charge(s) for service, including minimum charge provisions; and
- (d) Geographic location(s), such as exchange or city, where service will be provided.

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- WAC 480-80-143 Special contracts for gas, electric, and water companies. (1) Contracts to be filed. Gas, electric, and water companies must file with the commission all contracts for the retail sale of regulated utility services to enduse customers that:
- (a) State charges or conditions that do not conform to the company's existing tariff; or
- (b) Provide for utility services not specifically addressed in the gas, electric, or water company's existing tariffs.
- (2) Any significant modification of a previously executed contract will be treated as a new contract for purposes of this section.
- (3) Essential terms and conditions of all contracts filed pursuant to this section are considered a part of the gas, electric, or water company's filed tariffs and are subject to enforcement, supervision, regulation, control, and public inspection as such.
- (4) Filing and effective dates. The contract will become effective on the effective date stated in the contract or thirty days after the filing date, whichever occurs later, unless suspended or rejected by the commission. The commission may approve an earlier effective date if requested by the company, in which event the contract shall not become effective on a date that precedes commission approval. A request for an earlier effective date must include a complete explanation of why an earlier effective date is appropriate.
- (5) Each application filed for commission approval of a contract must:
  - (a) Include a complete copy of the proposed contract;
- (b) Show that the contract meets the requirements of RCW 80.28.090 (Prohibiting unreasonable preference) and RCW 80.28.100 (Prohibiting rate discrimination);
- (c) Demonstrate, at a minimum, that the contract charges recover all costs resulting from providing the service during its term, and, in addition, provide a contribution to the gas, electric, or water company's fixed costs;
- (d) Summarize the basis of the charge(s) proposed in the contract and explain the derivation of the proposed charge(s) including all cost computations involved; and
- (e) Indicate the basis for using a contract rather than a filed tariff for the specific service involved. If the basis for using a contract is the availability of an alternative service provider, identify that provider.
- (6) All contracts must be for a stated time period, except for contracts for water line extensions. The commission may approve terms and conditions that prescribe the charge(s) to be applied during the time period, if such charge(s) are found to be appropriate. Unless otherwise provided by the commission, such approval will not be determinative with respect to

the expenses and revenues of the utility for subsequent ratemaking considerations.

- (7) Filings under this section may be submitted with portions designated "confidential" pursuant to WAC 480-07-160. However, any filing that designates the essential terms and conditions of the contract as "confidential" shall be rejected by the commission as not in compliance with the public inspection requirement of RCW 80.28.050. Essential terms and conditions are:
  - (a) Identity of the customer;
- (b) Nature and characteristics of the service provided, including interruptible, firm, or peak delivery;
- (c) Duration of the contract, including any options to renew;
- (d) Charge(s) for service, including minimum charge provisions;
- (e) Geographic location where service will be provided;
- (f) Additional obligations specified in the contract, if any.

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