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WSR 22-15-046 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: The purpose of this rule making is to consider revisions to safety regulations in chapters 480-15, 480-30, and 480-70 WAC safety rules that govern household goods, passenger transportation, and solid waste collection companies.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 80.01.040, 81.01.010, 81.04.160, 81.68.030, 81.70.270, 81.77.030, 81.80.130, 81.80.140, 81.80.290, and 34.05.365.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: To address inconsistencies between the utility and transportation commission's (UTC) motor carrier safety rules, the Washington state patrol's (WSP) rules in Titles 204 and 446 WAC, and Title 49 C.F.R. governing the passenger, household goods, and solid waste transportation industries.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: UTC adopts by reference several parts of Title 49 C.F.R. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and WSP also utilize parts of Title 49 C.F.R. to establish and enforce safety regulations on public highways in the state of Washington. UTC partners with FMCSA as well as WSP to ensure intrastate regulated companies comply with all required safety standards.

Process for Developing New Rule: UTC will ask for initial written comments on the CR-101 by August 15, 2022, and will conduct a stake-holder workshop on October 11, 2022.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250, phone 360-664-1160, fax 360-586-1150, website www.utc.wa.gov/200252.

July 15, 2022 Amanda Maxwell Executive Director and Secretary