

# Open Meeting Agenda

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## A. UTILITIES

Item	Docket	Company	Description
1.	U-120025	Puget Sound Energy Inc.	Petition for an order approving a service area agreement with Tanner Electric Cooperative, and an agreement for transfer and joint use of distribution facilities with the same.  Application for Transfer of Property
2.	UT-111365	Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc.  dba: Hood Canal Communications	Introduces a new service known as Ephone Service.  Tariff Revision  Staff Contact: Sharyn Bate (360) 664-1295 sbate@utc.wa.gov

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<b>Item</b>	<b>Docket</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Description</b>
3.	UW-111789	Washington Water Service Company	<p>Commission consideration of whether to dismiss Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revisions and allow revised rates to go into effect February 1, 2012. The company filed a general rate case that would generate \$1,738,796 (21.8 percent) additional annual revenue. Staff and the company agreed to a lower revenue requirement of approximately \$1,636,381 (20 percent) additional annual revenue and lower revised rates. The company serves approximately 15,800 residential customers on 197 water systems located in eight counties. The proposed effective date was November 10, 2011. The company's last general rate increase was effective on July 30, 2009.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Jim Ward (360) 664-1250 jward@utc.wa.gov</p>
4.	UW-112182	Betty Lu Miller dba: Northwest Water System	<p>Proposed general rate case filing that would generate \$1,736 (6.4 percent) additional annual revenue. The filing is prompted by an increase in the cost to purchase water from the City of Everett. The proposed effective date is February 1, 2012. The company's last rate increase was effective January 1, 2011. The company serves 40 customers on a water system located near Everett in Snohomish County.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Jim Ward (360) 664-1250 jward@utc.wa.gov</p>

## **B. TRANSPORTATION**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Docket</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Description</b>
1.	TE-111928	HopeSource	<p>Consideration of CWA, Inc., d/b/a Central Washington Airporter's Petition for Reconsideration of Order 01, TE-111928, which granted HopeSource forbearance from rate and service regulation as an auto transportation company.</p> <p>Petition for Exemption</p> <p>Staff Contact: Tina Leipski (360) 664-1170 tleipski@utc.wa.gov</p>

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2.	TG-112144	Torre Refuse and Recycling LLC dba: Sunshine Disposal & Recycling	Proposed general rate case increase that would generate approximately \$153,000 (5 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of residential, commercial and drop box garbage service. The company provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 5,500 customers in Spokane County. The company's last general rate increase became effective on June 1, 2009.  Tariff Revision  Staff Contact: Nicki Johnson (360) 664-1246 njohnson@utc.wa.gov
3.	TG-112169	Pullman Disposal Service, Inc.	Proposed general rate increase that would generate \$175,478 (4.6 percent) in additional annual revenue for the collection of residential, commercial and drop box garbage, and residential recycling. The company serves approximately 9,200 residential and commercial customers in the City of Pullman and surrounding Whitman County. The company's last rate increase was effective on January 1, 2009.  Tariff Revision  Staff Contact: Amy White (360) 664-1247 awhite@utc.wa.gov
4.	TS-112166	Arrow Launch Service, Inc..	Proposed general rate increase that would generate approximately \$145,850 (4.1 percent) in additional annual revenue. The company provides launch service to ships at anchor between various Washington ports and anchorage zones.  Tariff Revision  Staff Contact: Mike Young (360) 664-1155 myoung@utc.wa.gov
5.	TG-111975	Nooksack Valley Disposal, Inc.	Proposed general rate increase that would generate approximately \$107,000 (9.3 percent) in additional annual revenue for the collection of residential, commercial and drop box garbage service. The company provides regulated garbage collection service to approximately 6,400 residential customers and approximately 1,000 commercial customers in Whatcom County. The company's last general rate increase became effective on December 1, 2009.  Tariff Revision  Staff Contact: Amy White (360) 664-1247 awhite@utc.wa.gov

## C. OTHER

## D. RECESSED

## E. CONSENT

<b>Item</b>	<b>Docket</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Description</b>
1.	TG-111537	Trashbusters of Washington State, LLC dba: Trashbusters	Consideration of company's request to voluntarily cancel its certificate. The company states that it is no longer in business. The company provided on call site cleanup and commercial drop box services and has no residential collection customers.  Petition for Exemption  Staff Contact: David Gomez (360) 664-1240 dagomez@utc.wa.gov
2.	TG-112042	Waste Management of Washington, Inc. dba: Valley Garbage;Waste Management of Spokane	Proposed general rate increase that would generate approximately \$582,000 additional annual revenue to recover the increased cost of disposal fees set by the Spokane Regional Solid Waste System. Disposal fees will increase from \$98 per ton to \$104 per ton at the waste-to-energy facility and from \$103 per ton to \$109 per ton at transfer stations effective February 1, 2012. The company serves approximately 51,000 customers in Spokane County. The company's last general rate increase became effective on January 1, 2009.  Tariff Revision  Staff Contact: Nicki Johnson (360) 664-1246 njohnson@utc.wa.gov

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3.	TG-112099	Empire Disposal Inc.	<p>Proposed general rate increase that would generate approximately \$24,000 (4 percent) in Whitman County, where the disposal fees charged by Whitman County will increase from \$99.00 per ton to \$103.00 per ton. Also, proposed general rate increase that would generate approximately \$9,200 (5.9 percent) for operations in Spokane County, where the disposal fee at the Spokane Transfer Station will increase from \$103.00 per ton to 109.00 per ton and the disposal fee at the Spokane Incinerator will increase from \$98.00 per ton to \$104.00 per ton. The company provides residential and commercial collection service for approximately 8,400 customers in Whitman and Spokane Counties. The company's last general rate increase became effective on November 1, 2010.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: David Gomez (360) 664-1240 dagomez@utc.wa.gov</p>
4.	TG-112195	Okanogan County	<p>Commission comments on Okanogan County's preliminary draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan.</p> <p>Management Plan</p> <p>Staff Contact: Penny Ingram (360) 664-1242 pingram@utc.wa.gov</p>

## F. NO ACTION

Item	Docket	Re/Filed	Effective	Company	Description
1.	TG-112147	12/14/2011	12/1/2012	Sunshine Disposal, Inc.	<p>Proposed increase in Item 230 disposal fees. On February 1, 2012, disposal fees will increase from \$103 per ton to \$109 per ton for customers whose waste is hauled to the Sullivan Road Transfer Station. The disposal fee will increase from \$98 per ton to \$104 per ton for customers whose waste is hauled to the Spokane Waste to Energy Facility and to Sunshine Recycler's Transfer Station.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: David Gomez (360) 664-1240 dagomez@utc.wa.gov</p>

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2. UG-112151	12/15/2011	12/4/2012	Avista Corporation	<p>Tariff revision to reflect the imposition of a 2 percent gross revenue tax imposed on Avista Corporation for the sale, delivery, distribution of furnishing of natural gas by the city of Millwood.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Vanda Novak (360) 664-1309 vnovak@utc.wa.gov</p>
3. TG-112167	12/16/2011	12/1/2012	Zippy Disposal Service, Inc.	<p>Proposed increases in Item 230 drop box disposal fees. On February 1, 2012, drop box disposal fees will increase from \$20.70 per ton (\$34.06 compacted) to \$21.20 per ton (\$34.93 compacted) in Chelan County. Drop box disposal revenues and expenses would increase by approximately \$5,500 (2 percent) per year.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: David Gomez (360) 664-1240 dagomez@utc.wa.gov</p>
4. UT-112178	12/20/2011	11/27/2012	Frontier Communications Northwest, Inc.	<p>Twelve-month contract for Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Station Number Service to an existing customer.</p> <p>Contract</p> <p>Staff Contact: Jing Roth (360) 664-1291 jroth@utc.wa.gov</p>
5. UG-112183	12/21/2011	12/1/2012	Northwest Natural Gas Company	<p>NW Natural revises Tariff Schedule A, "Addition of City Exactions," to reflect the City of Bingen's redefining of taxable gross revenues. Industrial customers are now subject to the tax, but State and Federal utility customers are now exempted.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Vanda Novak (360) 664-1309 vnovak@utc.wa.gov</p>

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6.	UT-112187	12/22/2011		Qwest Corporation; Qwest Communications Company, LLC	<p>Affiliated Interest agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Qwest Communications Corporation, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink QCC, reflecting a Special Construction Proposal for Vancouver, Washington.</p> <p>Affiliated Interest Filing</p> <p>Staff Contact: Kristen Russell (360) 664-1281 krussell@utc.wa.gov</p>
7.	UT-112193	12/22/2011	12/1/2012	United Telephone Company of the Northwest	<p>Eliminates the Talking Call Waiting feature for business and residence customers.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Tim Zawislak (360) 664-1294 tzawisla@utc.wa.gov</p>
8.	UE-112228	12/30/2011	12/1/2012	Puget Sound Energy	<p>Tariff revision to reflect an increase in the municipal tax on electric service from 5.5 percent to 6 percent imposed on Puget Sound Energy by the City of Covington.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Vanda Novak (360) 664-1309 vnovak@utc.wa.gov</p>
9.	UG-112229	12/30/2011	11/29/2012	Puget Sound Energy	<p>Tariff revision to reflect an increase in the municipal tax on natural gas service from 5.5 percent to 6 percent imposed by the City of Covington.</p> <p>Tariff Revision</p> <p>Staff Contact: Vanda Novak (360) 664-1309 vnovak@utc.wa.gov</p>