



STATE OF WASHINGTON

## ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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### Notice of Proposed Rule Making

#### New Chapter 463-90 WAC - Reporting of Emissions of Greenhouse Gases

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) is proposing to adopt a new chapter to Title 463 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC). The purpose of new Chapter 463-90 WAC is to adopt a mandatory greenhouse gas reporting rule for owners or operators of facilities permitted by the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC).

The state of Washington has taken several steps to begin responding to climate change. Executive Order 07-02, issued by the Governor in February 2007, established goals for the statewide reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases within Washington over the next several decades as one of the methods of addressing climate change. The 2007 Legislature passed Chapter 80.80 RCW establishing statutory goals for statewide reductions in greenhouse gases and setting a greenhouse gas emissions performance standard for baseload electric power generation.

E2SHB 2815, passed by the 2008 Legislature as part of the Governor's Climate Change Framework, includes additional actions to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and build a clean energy economy. One element of this legislation is a requirement for large stationary sources of greenhouse gases to begin reporting emissions in 2010. The legislation directs EFSEC to adopt rules that are the same as the Department of Ecology who will be developing and implementing a reporting system for those entities required to report.

EFSEC will work with the Department of Ecology's Air Quality Program who is required to adopt a reporting rule for large mobile sources, and other source or combination of sources that emit at least 10,000 metric tons of greenhouse gases annually in the state.

Interested persons can access information on this rulemaking on the EFSEC website at <http://efsec.wa.gov/rulerev.shtml> or by contacting:

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Interested persons are encouraged to go the Ecology web site for their greenhouse gas reporting rulemaking: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/laws-rules/activity/wac173441.html>.

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