October 3, 2001

The Honorable Lawrence Berg Administrative Law Judge Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UT-003013 Parts A and D

Verizon's OSS Transition Costs

Dear Judge Berg:

By letter dated September 14, 2001, Verizon asserts its belief that the Commission misstated Verizon's total requested OSS transition costs in Washington for the period 1996-1999. Specifically, Verizon states that the recoverable amount should be \$2.6 million rather than \$1.9 million. Staff has reviewed the testimony and exhibits and finds no reason why the 1999 OSS expenses should not have been included in the total amount recoverable, and it appears that the exclusion of the 1999 OSS expenses may have been the result of administrative oversight.

Very truly yours,

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GJT:kll cc: All Parties