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Ms. Carole Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: ***In the Matter of the Joint Application of Verizon Communications, Inc. and MCI, Inc.
for Approval of Agreement and Plan of Merger - Docket No. UT-050814***

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and twenty (20) copies of the Notice of Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel regarding the above-captioned matter. Please stamp one of the copies and return it to us in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for your convenience.

Should you have questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact our office. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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