December 29, 2005

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Verizon/MCI Merger

Docket No. UT-050814

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 20 copies of Commission Staff's Letter of Acceptance of the Commission's proposed modification of settlement, and Certificate of Service. If you have any questions, please contact me at (360) 664-1225.

Sincerely,

JONATHAN C. THOMPSON Assistant Attorney General

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