

December 29, 2005

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: *Verizon/MCI Merger*
Docket No. UT-050814

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This letter is to provide Staff's acceptance of the additional and modified conditions proposed in the Commission's December 23, 2005, Order Accepting Settlement, on Condition; Approving Merger, on Condition (Order No. 07), in Docket UT-050814.

The Commission should consider the proposed settlement agreement to be modified in accordance with the terms of the Order No. 07. Staff agrees that, as modified, the proposed settlement agreement should constitute a full and fair resolution of the issues presented.

Sincerely,

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