

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	
)	DOCKET NO. UT-981367
GTE CORPORATION and BELL)	
ATLANTIC CORPORATION)	FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL
)	ORDER ACCEPTING TARIFF
For an Order Disclaiming Jurisdiction, or in)	REVISIONS
the Alternative, Approving the GTE)	
CORPORATION-BELL ATLANTIC)	
CORPORATION Merger)	
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1 On December 16, 1999, the Commission entered the Fourth Supplemental Order in Docket UT-981367. The Order, among other things, granted the merger application of GTE Corporation and Bell Atlantic Corporation and required compliance filings by GTE Corporation's jurisdictional subsidiary, GTE Northwest Incorporated, now known as Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon). On May 26, 2000, Verizon filed Advice No. 922 with the Commission which contained tariff revisions reflecting the Phase 2 rate revisions ordered to be effective July 1, 2000. On June 23, 2000, the Company withdrew and refiled a portion of the tariff revisions to correct minor errors in its original filing. On November 21, 2000, Verizon filed Advice No. 955, containing tariff revisions reflecting Phase 3 rate changes. The filing also contained minor housekeeping revisions. The effective date of the revisions, if approved, is January 1, 2001.

2 The Commission finds that the tariff revisions filed by Verizon comply with the Commission's Fourth Supplemental Order in Docket UT-981367. The tariff revisions should be approved and become effective as filed.

ORDER

3 THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the tariff revisions filed on May 26, 2000 and revised on June 23, 2000, and the further tariff revisions filed on November 21, 2000, by Verizon in accordance with the Fourth Supplemental Order in this proceeding, and by this reference made a part of this Order as though fully set forth herein, shall become effective as filed.

4 THE COMMISSION FURTHER ORDERS That it retains jurisdiction to effectuate the provisions of this and prior Orders entered in this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this day of December, 2000.

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary