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Ms. Carole J. Washburn
Executive Secretary
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Subject: Verizon Northwest Inc. Rebuttal Testimony Filing, Docket No. UT-023003

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Pursuant to the Commission's February 20, 2003 Fifth Supplemental Order, its October 16, 2003 Fifteenth Supplemental Order, its November 25, 2003 Seventeenth Supplemental Order, and ALJ Mace's April 22, 2004 Notice of Revised Schedule of Proceedings, please find enclosed an original and seventeen (17) copies of Verizon Northwest Inc.'s rebuttal testimony and exhibits and twelve (12) copies of a compact disc containing proprietary backup workpapers to the Rebuttal Recurring Cost Panel Testimony. Verizon is also submitting a request for confidential treatment of several items included in this filing, pursuant to WAC 480-07-160.

Please contact me at (202) 663-6038 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


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Enclosures

cc: Service List

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Review of)
Unbundled Loop and Switching Rates; the) DOCKET NO. UT-023003
Deaveraged Zone Rate Structure; and)
Unbundled Network Elements, Transport,)
and Termination)
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**REQUEST OF VERIZON NORTHWEST INC. FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF INFORMATION**

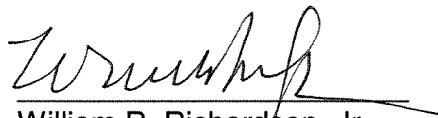
Pursuant to WAC 480-07-160, Verizon Northwest Inc. ("Verizon NW") hereby requests confidential treatment of the following materials that Verizon NW is filing concurrently with this request: (1) pages 10, 11, 74, 88, 89, and 91 of the Rebuttal Testimony of James H. Vander Weide; (2) exhibits RRP-2 to the Rebuttal Recurring Panel Testimony.

All of these materials are either competitively sensitive to Verizon NW and its vendors or have been deemed proprietary by AT&T, pursuant to the Protective Order in this proceeding. See First Supplemental Order, Docket UT-023003 (March 22, 2003). Specifically, pages 10, 11, 74, 88, 89, and 91 of the Rebuttal Testimony of James H. Vander Weide contains information regarding the cost of capital that AT&T uses to evaluate local exchange investments. This information was provided by AT&T in response to a Verizon NW discovery request and was deemed confidential by AT&T.

Exhibit RRP-2 to the Recurring Panel Rebuttal Testimony contain Verizon engineering guidelines and backup workpapers supporting the demand and cost quantities for Verizon's network, which are competitively sensitive to Verizon.

Verizon NW has followed the procedures specified in WAC 480-07-160 and the Protective Order for the marking and service of the proprietary versions of these materials. In addition, and in accordance with WAC 480-07-160, Verizon NW is submitting redacted versions of the materials containing proprietary information. Verizon NW therefore requests that the designated information be treated confidential.

Respectfully submitted,



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Unbundled Loop and Switching Rates;)
the Deaveraged Zone Rate Structure; and)
Unbundled Network Elements,)
Transport and Termination)
(Recurring Costs))

Docket No. UT-023003

In the Matter of the Review of:)
Unbundled Loop and Switching Rates;)
the Deaveraged Zone Rate Structure; and)
Unbundled Network Elements,)
Transport and Termination)
(Nonrecurring Costs))

Docket No. UT-033034

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 12th day of May 2004, served Verizon Northwest Inc.'s Rebuttal Testimony upon all parties of record in this proceeding by Federal Express and by e-mail:

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