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Ms. Carole Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: Docket No. UT-050814 Verizon - MCI Merger, Public Purpose Fund

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Public Counsel submits these comments in response to the Commission's April 28, 2006 letter to counsel of record in this docket. Public Counsel appreciates the opportunity to review and respond to the additional comments provided to the Commission on this matter.

We have reviewed the letters of Ms. Dingfield, Ms. Niva, and Mr. Rettenmier. Nothing raised by these letters changes the recommendations we made to the Commission in our filing of February 28, 2006.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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