

[Service Date December 10, 2002]

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RE: AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest v. Verizon Northwest Inc.,
Docket No. UT-020406

Dear Ms. Endejan:

AT&T filed with the Commission on Friday, December 6, a motion to compel Verizon to respond to data requests. Under WAC 480-09-480, Verizon has five business days in which to respond to the motion, which would make Verizon's response due on Friday, December 13. You sent me an e-mail message on Monday, December 9, indicating that you have contacted Mr. Kopta, counsel for AT&T, and that AT&T does not oppose extending Verizon's response time to Monday, December 16.

The request for continuance must be filed in correspondence that complies with the Commission rules. Verizon may file the letter by telefacsimile, in accordance with WAC 480-09-120(1)(a)(v). The correspondence must be served on all parties. The Commission is not set up to use e-mail for formal filings.

If the parties are content with the proposed continuance of the response date, then the response date can be moved to Monday, December 16. The response should be filed with the Commission no later than noon, and should reach the parties at the same time. A notice of hearing setting a discovery hearing for Thursday, December 19, at 1:30 p.m. is being served contemporaneously with this letter.

We are also concerned that we maintain the current schedule for this proceeding. The continuance for Verizon's response's due date is granted (contingent on receipt of a request complying with the rules) with the understanding and on the basis that the continuance will not affect the remainder of the schedule in this matter.

Sincerely,

MARJORIE R. SCHAER
Administrative Law Judge

cc. Parties of Record