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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO
JOINT CLECS' MOTION TO MAINTAIN STATUS QUO
(Responses Due by Wednesday, June 2, 2004)
(Replies Due by Noon on Tuesday, June 8, 2004)**

**NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE
(Scheduled for Wednesday, June 16, 2004 at 9:30 a.m.)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition for Arbitration of an Amendment to Interconnection Agreements of Verizon Northwest Inc. with Competitive Local Exchange Carriers and Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers in Washington Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b), and the Triennial Review Order, Docket No. UT-043013.*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On May 21, 2004, Eschelon Telecom of Washington, Inc., Integra Telecom of Washington, Inc., Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., Time Warner Telecom of Washington, LLC, and XO Washington, Inc. (collectively Joint CLECs) filed with the Commission a Motion for an Order Requiring Verizon to Maintain Status Quo Pending Resolution of Legal Issues. Also on May 21, 2004, the Commission entered Order No. 04, granting Verizon's motion to hold the proceeding in abeyance until June 15, 2004, subject to the condition that Verizon maintains the status quo under existing interconnection agreements by continuing to offer UNEs consistent with the agreements at existing rates pending completion of the arbitration.

In order to resolve this matter expeditiously, any party who seeks to respond to the Joint CLECs' motion must do so in writing by Wednesday, June 2, 2004. Any replies must be filed with the Commission by Noon on Tuesday, June 8, 2004.

Parties should address any differences between the Joint CLECs' request and the relief granted in Order No. 04. Given the shortened time for responses, parties may

submit responses with the Commission electronically or via facsimile pursuant to WAC 480-07-145(6) and file a paper copy with the Commission by the following business day.

In Order No. 04 in this proceeding, the Commission canceled the prehearing conference scheduled to be held today. **By this notice, the prehearing conference is rescheduled for Wednesday, June 16, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. and will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S. W., Olympia, Washington.** The purpose of the prehearing conference is to address all motions pending before the Commission and to discuss the status of the proceeding, as well as any modifications to the procedural schedule. Persons who cannot attend in person may participate via the Commission's teleconference bridge line **360-664-3846**. Persons desiring to participate via the bridge line must make advance reservations, by calling Kippi Walker at 360-664-1139, no later than Noon on Tuesday, June 15, 2004.

Sincerely

ANN E. RENDAHL
Administrative Law Judge