

March 21, 2003

**NOTICE OF TIME FOR PARTIES TO FILE ANSWERS TO VERIZON'S
MOTION FOR A DECLARATORY RULING**

(April 1, 2003)

RE: In the Matter of the Review of Unbundled Loop and Switching Rates and
Review of the Deaveraged Zone Rate Structure
Docket No. UT-023003

TO THE PARTIES:

Verizon Northwest, Inc ("Verizon") on March 21, 2003, filed a motion for a declaratory ruling regarding the performance of time and motion studies to support nonrecurring costs for certain "low-volume and difficult to study" collocation elements. Verizon believes that "extraordinary circumstances" exist that make performing statistically valid time and motion studies impossible or unduly burdensome.

Parties must file and serve answers to Verizon's motion no later than April 1, 2003.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. BERG
Administrative Law judge