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VIA E-MAIL AND FEDERAL EXPRESS

Ms. Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Committee
1300 Evergreen Park Drive, SW
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Docket No. UT-041127

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Please find enclosed an original and seven copies of Verizon's Motion to Defer Ruling on Petition For Reconsideration and a Certificate of Service.

Please contact us if you have any questions, and thank you in advance for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Veronica Moore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "V".

Veronica Moore
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Enclosures

cc: ALJ Ann Rendahl
Parties of Record

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES
AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
)	DOCKET NO. UT-041127
THE JOINT PETITION FOR)	
ENFORCEMENT OF)	
INTERCONNECTION)	MOTION TO DEFER RULING
AGREEMENTS WITH VERIZON)	ON PETITION FOR
NORTHWEST INC.)	FOR RECONSIDERATION
_____)	

1. Currently pending before the Commission in this matter is the Petition of Respondent Verizon Northwest Inc. for Reconsideration of Order No. 3 (“Reconsideration Petition”). Petitioners and Intervenor have answered the Reconsideration Petition. By this Motion, Verizon requests that the Commission further extend the time for action on that Petition.

2. While the Reconsideration Petition has been pending before the Commission, Verizon has separately negotiated with other parties seeking a potential mutually-agreeable resolution of the issues raised by this proceeding. Those discussions have borne fruit; Verizon anticipates that petitioner AT&T will shortly file a motion to withdraw from this proceeding. Negotiations with other parties continue in the context of broader negotiations for commercial agreements, but a decision by the Commission on the Reconsideration Petition one way or the other, could complicate those discussions. Those discussions are already complex, dealing with multiple parties and difficult issues.

3. No party will be prejudiced by this deferral, because Verizon continues to provide the Petitioners access to the Mount Vernon Switch under the terms of the Commission’s previous orders.

4. Wherefore, Verizon requests that the Commission defer ruling on the Reconsideration Petition until no earlier than March 26, 2006.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2005 at Seattle, Washington.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 8th day of September, 2005, served the true and correct original, along with the correct number of copies, of *Motion to Defer Ruling on Petition For Reconsideration* and a *Certificate of Service* upon the WUTC, via the method(s) noted below, properly addressed as follows:

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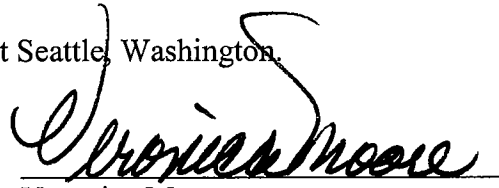
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I declare under penalty under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is correct and true.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2005, at Seattle, Washington.


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