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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO VERIZON'S
PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
(Due on Friday, September 3, 2004)**

**NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE
(To be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2004)**

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 August 20, 2004, Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon) filed with the Commission its revised TRO Amendment No. 1, as well as a second amendment, TRO Amendment No. 2. On August 27, 2004, Verizon filed with the Commission a proposed procedural schedule pursuant to Order No. 08. Verizon states in its filing that it has conferred with other parties, but that the parties have not agreed to the proposed schedule.

Any party who wishes to respond to Verizon's proposed procedural schedule must file responses with the Commission **by 5 p.m. on Friday, September 3, 2004**. 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 must file a paper copy with the Commission by Tuesday, September 7, 2004.

A prehearing conference to establish a revised procedural schedule for the proceeding will be held on **Tuesday, September 7, 2004, at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission's Main Hearing Room, Room 206, of the Commission's Offices, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.** Persons who cannot attend the conference 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 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2004.

Sincerely

ANN E. RENDAHL
Administrative Law Judge