

**BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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In the Matter of the Petition of	)	
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WASHINGTON INDEPENDENT	)	Docket No. UT-083056
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION	)	
and LEWIS RIVER TELEPHONE	)	VERIZON'S PETITION TO
COMPANY d/b/a TDS TELECOM	)	INTERVENE
	)	
For Declaratory Ruling	)	

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Pursuant to WAC 480-07-355, Verizon Northwest Inc., MCI Communications Services Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services and Bell Atlantic Communications Inc. d/b/a Verizon Long Distance (collectively "Verizon") respectfully petition that they be permitted to intervene in the above-referenced docket. In support of its petition, Verizon states:

1. Name and Address of the Petitioner:

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2. Petitioner's Interest in the Proceeding:

Verizon provides a variety of voice and data services, including Voice over Internet Protocol ("VoIP") services. It thus has an interest in the issues related to VoIP services set forth in the petition for a declaratory order filed in this docket.

3. Petitioner's Position(s) with Respect to the Matters in Controversy:

Verizon's position is that the Commission should not hold a declaratory order proceeding on any issues related to VoIP services, and should not issue a declaratory order on this matter.

4. Scope of Issues:

Verizon does not propose to broaden the issues in the proceeding.

5. Name and Address of Attorney:

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WHEREFORE, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission grant Verizon's Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned docket with all the rights afforded a full party under Washington law and the rules of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted on November 20, 2008.



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