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Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Traffic Exchange Agreement Between Pioneer Telephone Company
and Verizon Wireless LLC

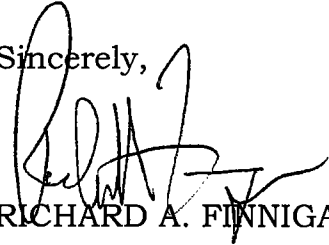
Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed you will find the original and three copies of the above-referenced Traffic Exchange Agreement. Pioneer Telephone Company views the agreement as negotiated pursuant to Section 332 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Pioneer Telephone Company did not negotiate this Agreement pursuant to Section 251(c) of the Act and expressly preserves its exemption from Section 251(c) obligations.

However, in light of the generic language in Section 252(e) and the Federal Communications Commission Order FCC 02-276 (WC Docket No. 02-89), pending further clarification from this Commission as to what agreements must be filed for Commission approval (see, e.g., pending Docket UT-033011), this Agreement is filed for approval by the Commission.

Thank you for your attention to the attached.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard A. Finnigan', written over the printed name.

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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Enclosures

cc: Mary Bacigalupi
Dennis Mackleit