

**VERIZON NORTHWEST INC. – WASHINGTON OPERATIONS
2004 WASHINGTON GENERAL RATE CASE**

PROPOSED RATE CASE SCHEDULE

Phase 1 – Interim Relief (4 months)/Rev Req (10 months) – 2004/2005

Apr 30 – VZ files direct case and tariff sheets for interim relief request

May 12 – Commission Open Meeting – Docket opened; tariff suspended; discovery begins on interim case

May 19 – Prehearing Conference; formal discovery begins

Jul 2 – Other parties file testimony (interim case)

Jul 23 – VZ files reply testimony (interim case)

Jul 30 – Prehearing memoranda (interim case)

Aug 4-6 – Hearings (interim case)

TBD – Public hearing (interim case)

Aug 20 – Briefs (interim case)

Sep 3 – Final order (interim case)

Oct 22 – Other parties file testimony

Nov 24 – VZ files reply testimony

Jan 3-7 – Hearings

TBD – Public Hearing

Feb 4 – Initial Briefs

Feb 11 – Reply Briefs

Mar 11 – Final order

Mar 25 – Verizon makes tariff compliance filing updating interim rates

Phase 2 – Permanent Rate Design (5 months) – 2005

Apr 8 – VZ files rate design case

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May 13 – Other parties file testimony

Jun 3 – VZ files reply testimony

Jun 27-Jul 3 – Hearings

TBD – Public hearing

Jul 29 – Initial Briefs

Aug 5 – Reply Briefs

Sep 2 – Final order

Sep 23 – VZ files compliance tariffs