

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the matter of the Requested Waiver of)	DOCKET UT-010326
Required Notice in Connection with the)	
Contract for DS-1 Service filed by)	ORDER APPROVING
Verizon Northwest Incorporated)	CONTRACT ON LESS THAN
)	REQUIRED NOTICE
_____)	

On March 8, 2001, Verizon Northwest Incorporated (Verizon) filed with the Commission under its Contract No. 1199, a contract for DS-1 Service.

WAC 480-80-330 requires thirty days notice prior to the effective date. The company requests, however, that such notice be waived and that the contract become effective March 28, 2001.

The contract is for Centranet service for a twelve month period. Verizon requests waiver of the required notice date so that the targeted effective date of the contract of March 28, 2001, can be achieved.

Since the contract filed herein is fair, just and reasonable, and waiver of required notice is not inconsistent with the public interest, it is deemed appropriate that the company be granted the waiver it is requesting with an effective date of March 28, 2001.

FINDINGS

After careful examination of the contract filed herein by Verizon Northwest Incorporated on March 8, 2001, and giving consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission finds that the contract should become effective on March 28, 2001.

This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting on March 28, 2001. The Commissioners, having been fully advised in the matter, and having determined this order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this order.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS That the requested waiver of required notice in connection with the contract filed herein by Verizon Northwest

Incorporated on March 8, 2001, is hereby granted, and said contract shall become effective on March 28, 2001.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 28th day of March,
2001.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary