BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Requested Waiver of Required Notice in Connection with the Contract Filed by

DOCKET UT-021371

VERIZON NORTHWEST INCORPORATED

ORDER GRANTING CONTRACT ON LESS THAN REQUIRED NOTICE

BACKGROUND

- On October 23, 2002, Verizon Northwest Incorporated (Verizon) filed a contract amendment with the Commission to extend a contract for CentraNet 1000 service to an existing customer for one year.
- WAC 480-80-142 requires thirty days' notice prior to the effective date of the contract. The Company requests, however, that such notice be waived, and that the revisions become effective November 15, 2002, to ensure that the customer's service under the existing contract is not interrupted. The existing contract expires on November 15, 2002.
- Since the proposed contract appears to be fair, just, and reasonable, and waiver of required notice is consistent with the public interest, it is appropriate that the Commission grant the waiver Verizon requests with an effective date of November 15, 2002.

FINDINGS

- 4 (1) After careful examination of the proposed contract filed by Verizon on October 23, 2002, and giving consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission finds that the proposed contract should become effective November 15, 2002.
- This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting on October 30, 2002. The Commissioners, having determined this order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this order.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION GRANTS the requested waiver of required notice in connection with the contract filed by Verizon Northwest Incorporated on October 23, 2002, and the contract shall become effective November 15, 2002.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 30th day of October 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Secretary