

January 12, 2006

**NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE  
TO RE-ESTABLISH PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE  
(Set for Tuesday, January 31, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.)**

Re: *In the Matter of the Petition of Douglas and Jessica Rupp, et al. v. Verizon Northwest, Inc.*, Docket No. UT-050778

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

On November 10, 2005, the Commission suspended the procedural schedule in this proceeding at the request of the parties pending the Commission's decision in Docket No. UT-050814, *In the Matter of the Joint application of Verizon Communications, Inc. and MCI, Inc. for Approval of Agreement and Plan of Merger (MergerDocket)*. One of the terms of the settlement agreement in the *Merger Docket* could have resolved the petition in this proceeding. The Commission requested that the parties file a letter on or before January 10, 2005, informing the Commission of the status of the proceeding.

On January 5, 2006, Mr. Rupp, on behalf of Petitioners, filed a letter explaining that the Commission's decision in the *Merger Docket* rejected the settlement proposal for the Rupp petition. Mr. Rupp requested that the procedural schedule for the petition be resumed without delay. On January 6, 2006, Verizon filed a letter agreeing with Petitioners that the docket needs to be reactivated in light of the Commission's Final Order in the *Merger Docket*.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN That a teleconference is scheduled for January 31, 2006, beginning at 1:30 p.m. to discuss a procedural schedule for the remainder of this proceeding. Please call the conference bridge (360) 664-3846, at 1:25 p.m. If you wish to appear in person, the conference call will be conducted from Room 108 at the Commission's offices in Olympia, Washington.**

Sincerely,

KAREN M. CAILLÉ  
Administrative Law Judge