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OVERNIGHT <u>VIA E-MAIL AND HAND DELIVERY</u>

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Re: Docket No. UT-043013 -

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed for filing please find original and six copies of the Joint Statement of the Issues in this docket. With one exception, the parties have authorized me to state that this is a joint issues list, agreed to by all parties.

Sprint agrees with all issues except for Issue No. 20. Sprint contends that there are two additional sub-issues that should be identified there. Mr. Hendricks will forward those sub-issues on behalf of Sprint.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Timoth J. Ø'Connell

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cc: ALJ Ann Rendahl

Parties of Record

BEFORE THE 1 WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 2 In the Matter of the Petition for 3 Arbitration of an Amendment for Interconnection Agreements of 4 Docket No. UT-043013 5 VERIZON NORTHWEST INC. JOINT STATEMENT OF THE with 6 ISSUES 7 COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS AND COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE 8 PROVIDERS IN WASHINGTON 9 Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b), And the Triennial Review Order 10 11 12 13 As required by Order No. 14, all parties agree that the following issues are appropriate for 14 resolution in this proceeding. 15 **ISSUES** 16 Should the Amendment include rates, terms, and conditions that do not arise from federal 17 1. unbundling regulations pursuant to 47 U.S.C. sections 251 and 252, including issues 18 asserted to arise under state law? 19 What terms and conditions and/or rates regarding implementing changes in unbundling 2. obligations or changes of law should be included in the Amendment to the parties' 20 interconnection agreements? 21 What obligations, if any, with respect to unbundled access to local circuit switching, 3. including mass market and enterprise switching (including Four-Line Carve-Out switching), and tandem switching, should be included in the Amendment to the parties' 22 interconnection agreements? 23 What obligations, if any, with respect to unbundled access to DS1 loops, DS3 loops and 4. 24 dark fiber loops should be included in the Amendment to the parties' interconnection agreements? 25 26

- What obligations, if any, with respect to unbundled access to dedicated transport, including dark fiber transport, should be included in the Amendment to the parties' interconnection agreements?
- Under what conditions, if any, is Verizon permitted to re-price existing arrangements which are no longer subject to unbundling under federal law?
- 5 Should Verizon be permitted to provide notice of discontinuance in advance of the effective date of removal of unbundling requirements? Should the Amendment state that Verizon's obligations to provide notification of discontinuance have been satisfied.
- 8. Should Verizon be permitted to assess non-recurring charges when it changes a UNE arrangement to an alternative service? If so, what charges apply?
- 8 9. What terms should be included in the Amendments' Definitions Section and how should those terms be defined?
- Should Verizon be required to follow the change of law and/or dispute resolution provisions in existing interconnection agreements if it seeks to discontinue the provisioning of UNEs under federal law? Should the establishment of UNE rates, terms and conditions for new UNEs, UNE combinations or commingling be subject to the change of law provisions of the parties' interconnection agreements?
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 11. How should any rate increases and new charges established by the FCC in its final unbundling rules or elsewhere be implemented?
- 14 12. Should the interconnection agreements be amended to address changes arising from the TRO with respect to commingling of UNEs with wholesale services, EELs, and other combinations? If so, how?
- Should the interconnection agreements be amended to address changes arising from the TRO with respect to conversion of wholesale services to UNEs/UNE combinations? If so, how?
- 18 14. Should the ICAs be amended to address changes, if any, arising from the TRO with respect to:
 - a) Line splitting;
 - b) Newly built FTTP, FTTH or FTTC loops;
 - c) Overbuilt FTTP, FTTH or FTTC loops;
- d) Access to hybrid loops for the provision of broadband services;
 - e) Access to hybrid loops for the provision of narrowband services;
- 22 f) Retirement of copper loops;
 - g) Line conditioning;
- 23 h) Packet switching;
 - i) Network Interface Devices (NIDs);
- j) Line sharing?
- 25 If so how?

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26 15. What should be the effective date of the Amendment to the parties' agreements?

1	16.	How should CLEC requests to provide narrowband services through unbundled access to a
2		loop where the end user is served via Integrated Digital Loop Carrier (IDLC) be implemented?
3	17.	Should Verizon be subject to standard provisioning intervals or performance
4		measurements and potential remedy payments, if any, in the underlying Agreement or elsewhere, in connection with its provision of
5		a) unbundled loops in response to CLEC requests for access to IDLC-served hybrid
6		loops; b) Commingled arrangements;
7 8		 c) Conversion of access circuits to UNEs; d) Loops or Transport (including Dark Fiber Transport and Loops) for which Routine Network Modifications are required;
9		[Verizon objects to sub-issue (e), below, and states that it falls outside the scope of this proceeding and is not appropriate for resolution in this proceeding.]
0		e) batch hot cut, large job hot cut and individual hot cut processes?
1	18.	How should sub-loop access be provided under the TRO?
12	19.	Where Verizon collocates local circuit switching equipment (as defined by the FCC's rules) in a CLEC facility/premises (i.e. reverse collocation), should the transmission path between that equipment and the Verizon serving wire center be treated as unbundled
4		transport? If so, what revisions to the parties' agreements are needed?
.5	20.	Are interconnection trunks between a Verizon wire center and a CLEC wire center, interconnection facilities under section 251(c)(2) that must be provided at TELRIC?
7	21.	What obligations, if any, with respect to EELs should be included in the Amendment to the parties' interconnection agreements?
8		a) What information should a CLEC be required to provide to Verizon as certification to satisfy the FCC's service eligibility criteria to (1) convert existing circuits/services to FFL a or (2) order new FFL a?
.9		EELs or (2) order new EELs? b) Conversion of existing circuits/gervices to EELs:
20		b) Conversion of existing circuits/services to EELs:
21 22		(1) Should Verizon be prohibited from physically disconnecting, separating or physically altering the existing facilities when a CLEC requests a conversion of existing circuits/services to an EEL unless the CLEC requests such facilities
23		alteration?
24		(2) What type of charges, if any, and under what conditions, if any, can Verizon impose when CLECs convert existing access circuits/services to UNE loop and transport combinations?
25		(3) Should EELs ordered by a CLEC prior to October 2, 2003, be required to meet the
26		FCC's service eligibility criteria?

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(4) For conversion requests submitted amendment, should CLECs be endate the CLEC submitted the reque	(4) For conversion requests submitted by a CLEC prior to the effective date of the amendment, should CLECs be entitled to EELs/UNE pricing effective as of the date the CLEC submitted the request (but not earlier than October 2, 2003)?	
3		c) What are Verizon's rights to obtain audits of CLEC compliance with the FCC's service eligibility criteria?
5	22.	How should the Amendment reflect an obligation that Verizon perform routine network modifications necessary to permit access to loops, dedicated transport, or dark fiber transport facilities where Verizon is required to provide unbundled access to those
7		facilities under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) and 47 C.F.R. Part 51?
8	23.	Should the parties retain their pre-Amendment rights arising under the Agreement, tariffs, and SGATs?
9	24.	Should the Amendment set forth a process to address the potential effect on the CLECs' customers' services when a UNE is discontinued?
10 11	25.	How should the Amendment implement the FCC's service eligibility criteria for combinations and commingled facilities and services that may be required under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) and 47 C.F.R. Part 51?
12 13	26.	Should the Amendment reference or address commercial agreements that may be negotiated for services or facilities to which Verizon is not required to provide access as a
14 15	27.	Section 251 UNE? Should Verizon provide an access point for CLECs to engage in testing, maintaining and repairing copper loops and copper subloops?
16 17	28.	What transitional provisions should apply in the event that Verizon no longer has a legal obligation to provide a UNE? How should the Amendment address Verizon's obligations to provide UNEs in the absence of the FCC's permanent rules? Does Section 252 of the 1996 Act apply to replacement arrangements?
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19		Should Verizon be required to negotiate terms for service substitutions for UNEs that Verizon no longer is required to make available under section 251 of the Act?
20	30.	Should the FCC's permanent unbundling rules apply and govern the parties' relationship
21		when issued, or should the parties not become bound by the FCC order issuing the rules until such time as the parties negotiate an amendment to the ICA to implement them, or
22		Verizon issues a tariff in accordance with them.
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1	31.	Do Verizon's obligations to provide UNEs at TELRIC rates under applicable law differ depending upon whether such UNE's are used to serve the existing customer base or new customers? If so, how should the Amendment reflect that difference?			
2		customers? If so, how should the Amendment reflect that difference?			
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 19th day of January, 2005, served the true and correct original, along with the correct number of copies, of *Joint Statement of Issues* and *Certificate of Service* upon the WUTC, via the method(s) noted below, properly addressed as follows:

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