

[Service Date May 12, 2005]

May 12, 2005

**NOTICE OF BENCH REQUEST
(Due by Friday, May 20, 2005)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition for Arbitration of an Amendment to Interconnection Agreements of Verizon Northwest Inc. with Competitive Local Exchange Carriers and Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers in Washington Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b), and the Triennial Review Order, Docket No. UT-043013.*

TO VERIZON NORTHWEST INC.:

The Arbitrator seeks information from Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon) in the form of the following bench request in considering the pending arbitration petition:

BENCH REQUEST NO. 1:

Paragraph 95 of Verizon's brief and Section 3.4.2.6 of Verizon's Amendment 2 refer to Verizon's "conversion guidelines. Section 3.4.2.6 of Verizon's Amendment 2 states "All requests for conversions will be handled in accordance with Verizon's conversion guidelines." Please provide a copy of the referenced "conversion guidelines," or, in the alternative, please provide an Internet universal resource locator (URL) identifying where the document can be reviewed online and/or downloaded.

Please respond to this Bench Request no later than Friday, **May 20, 2005**, with an original and two copies. If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Arbitrator and Administrative Law Judge Ann Rendahl at 360-664-1144.

Please provide your response to the request on a separate sheet of paper and repeat the bench request at the top of the page on which the response begins. Also, please indicate on the response the date the response was prepared, the individual who prepared the

response, and the telephone number of the preparer. Please send your response via U.S. Mail to: Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504, and send an electronic response to the Records Center at records@wutc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

ANN E. RENDAHL
Arbitrator and Administrative Law Judge

cc: All Parties