

September 17, 2004

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: *WUTC v. Verizon Northwest Inc.*  
Docket No. UT-040788

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This letter is in response to the Commission's Notice of Opportunity to Comment regarding the petitions for intervention of MCI and XO Washington. Commission Staff has no objection to these interventions.

Very truly yours,

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Senior Counsel

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Enclosures  
cc: Parties