

Docket No. UT-050788

Verizon Responses to Douglas Rupp Data Request Set 1 Nos. 1 - 13

January 13, 2006

DATA REQUEST NO. 11:

Please state whether Verizon has ever increased its access rates in order to recoup the cost of service extensions to new customers (for example the parties in docket UT-991931). Please include in the answer a list of the access increases, the total cost, and the number of new extensions associated with each increase in access rates.

Response:

Docket UT-991931 concerned twelve applicants living outside of the Company's filed service area. The Company agreed to provide service to them using a fiber optic facility that was transiting the locale, going from one part of the Company's filed service area to another. As part of the settlement agreement, the Commission allowed the Company to utilize the access charge rate element created at about that time in the Commission's new service extension rule (WAC 480-120-071) from service extension cost recovery. The amount of cost recovery obtained through the access charge rate element was \$256,449. The access charge rate increase was in effect from July 1, 2000 through July 1, 2002. Note that that location was made a "supplemental service area" with special conditions for obtaining service.

With regard to in-service-area extensions, the Company has made the following two tariff filings:

Advice No. 3036 – rate effective July 15, 2002 through July 15, 2003; amount recovered - \$1,357,853; number of extended lines in service – 34.

Advice No. 3164 (pending at the WUTC) – rate effective (proposed) November 10, 2005 through November 10, 2006; amount recovered - \$859,283; number of extended lines in service – 58.

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Witness: TBD