

October 17, 2005

**NOTICE OF CONTINUANCE OF TIME TO FILE  
AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
(Extended from October 24, 2005, to December 18, 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 ALL PARTIES:

On Monday, October 17, 2005, Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon) filed with the Commission an Unopposed Motion to Continue Date for Filing of Interconnection Agreement. Verizon states that under the schedule established in the August 3, 2005 Notice, Verizon must file an amendment to the existing interconnection agreement within thirty days after the Commission entered an order on petitions for review. The Commission entered its Order No. 18 on September 22, 2005, requiring Verizon to file an amendment on October 24, 2005.

Verizon seeks a continuance of the time to file an amendment to the parties' interconnection agreements implementing Orders No. 17 and 18 in this proceeding until December 18, 2005, asserting that it continues to negotiate an amendment with parties to the proceeding and identical parties in a Massachusetts proceeding. Verizon reports that several parties support the request for a continuance, and that no party has objected to the continuance.

Verizon's request for a continuance of the time to file an amendment to the parties' interconnection agreements that implements the Commission's Orders is granted. Verizon's motion meets the requirements for a timely request for continuance under WAC 480-07-385 (2) and WAC 480-07-385 (3) (a) by demonstrating good cause for

the continuance. The Commission supports the continued efforts by all parties to negotiate an implementing amendment, and expects the amendment filed with the Commission to reflect agreement by all parties. **Verizon and all parties to the proceeding must file an amendment with the Commission consistent with the Commission's Orders No. 17 and 18 by December 18, 2005.**

Sincerely

CAROLE J. WASHBURN  
Executive Secretary