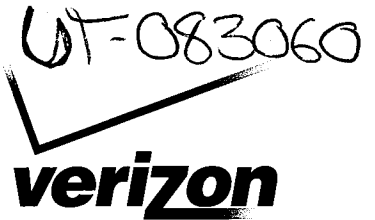


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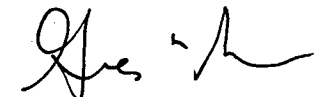
Dear Mr. Danner:

Pursuant to Paragraph 29 of the Modified Interpretive Statement issued by the Commission in Docket No. UT-053025 on December 15, 2006 ("Interpretative Statement"), Verizon Northwest Inc. ("Verizon") hereby notifies the Commission of a proposed designation of its Halls Lake wire center as a non-impaired, "Tier 2" wire center based on the number of business lines served by the wire center. My understanding from Paragraph 29 of the Interpretative Statement is that the Commission will open a docket to consider this notification; if that is the case, we respectfully request that the Commission do so at its earliest convenience.

As set forth in the confidential attachment to this notification, the Halls Lake wire center serves more than 24,000 business lines, the amount necessary to be eligible for Tier 2 non-impairment status. The data relied upon in support of this notification is 2007 ARMIS data, the data most recently filed with the Federal Communications Commission, as required in paragraphs 18-20 of the Interpretative Statement. The number of business lines was derived based on the methodology set forth in paragraphs 22-26 of the Interpretative Statement.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Milt Doumit at (360) 236-9727.

Sincerely,



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