# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of	) DOCKET UT-100737
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VERIZON SELECT SERVICES, INC.,	ORDER 01
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Petitioner,	)
, the second	)
Seeking Exemption from the Provisions	)
of WAC 480-120-382 Requiring	)
Competitively Classified	ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION
Telecommunications Companies to File	) FROM RULE; GRANTING COMPANY
the 2009 Annual Report no later than	) ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE
May 1, 2010	) ANNUAL REPORT
	)

# **BACKGROUND**

- On May 3, 2010, Verizon Select Services, Inc., (Verizon Select or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition for an extension of time to file its annual report for 2009 as required by WAC 480-120-382. The agent for Verizon Select is waiting for the necessary information from the Company to complete the annual report. Verizon Select seeks an extension until May 5, 2010.
- 2 Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommended granting Verizon Select's request for exemption.

# FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate public service companies, including competitively classified telecommunications companies. *RCW* 80.01.040, *RCW* 80.04 and *RCW* 80.36.
- 4 (2) Verizon Select is a competitively classified telecommunications company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
- 5 (3) Verizon Select is subject to WAC 480-120-382, which requires competitively classified telecommunications companies to file an annual report no later than May 1 of each year.

6 (4) Under WAC 480-120-015, the Commission may grant an exemption from any rule in WAC 480-120, if consistent with the public interest, the purposes underlying regulation and applicable statutes. *See also WAC 480-07-110*.

- 7 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 13, 2010.
- 8 (6) After review of the petition in Docket UT-100737 by Verizon Select filed on May 3, 2010, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the exemption is in the public interest and is consistent with the purposes underlying the regulation and applicable statutes and should be granted.

# ORDER

# THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) The request by Verizon Select Services, Inc., for an exemption from WAC 480-120-382 and for an extension until May 5, 2010, to file its 2009 annual report is granted.
- 10 (2) Failure by Verizon Select Services, Inc., to file its annual report by May 5, 2010, may result in the Commission invoking RCW 80.04.405, which allows the Commission to assess penalties for violations of statute, rules and Commission orders.
- 11 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Verizon Select Services, Inc., to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 13, 2010.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION