July 2, 2002

## NOTICE OF TIME FOR PARTIES TO FILE ANSWERS TO VERIZON'S MOTION TO SUSPEND SCHEDULE (July 10, 2002, at noon)

RE: In the Matter of the Review of Unbundled Loop and Switching Rates and Review of the Deaveraged Zone Rate Structure

Docket No. UT-023003

## TO THE PARTIES:

Verizon Northwest, Inc ("Verizon") on July 2, 2002, filed a motion to suspend the procedural schedule due to resource constraints. Verizon points out that petitions for reconsideration and clarification of the Part B Order in Docket No. UT-003013 ("Part B") are pending, and the company claims that it is unable to make all necessary changes to cost models in this proceeding until Part B issues are resolved.

A notice of prehearing conference to convene on July 11, 2002, was served to parties. The purpose of the conference is to discuss the impact of the Part B Order on this proceeding and other procedural matters, including scheduling issues. In order for the Commission to fully consider the issues raised in Verizon's motion at the prehearing conference, other parties must file their answers to the motion no later than noon on Wednesday, July 10, 2002.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. BERG Administrative Law Judge