

[Service Date July 7, 2005]

July 7, 2005

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE ANSWER TO
VERIZON'S MOTION TO MODIFY PROTECTIVE ORDER NO. 02
(By Monday, July 11, 2005)**

Re: In the Matter of the Joint Petition of Verizon Communications Inc. and
MCI, Inc., for Approval of Agreement and Plan of Merger
Docket No. UT-050814

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 28, 2005, the Commission entered "Order No. 02 – Protective Order" in the above matter. On July 5, 2005, Verizon filed a motion to modify Protective Order No. 02 to address treatment of documents produced in the Federal Communications Commission merger proceeding, that are or may be subject to discovery requests from the parties in this case. In order to expeditiously address the issue raised in Verizon's motion, parties must file answers to the motion by July 11, 2005.

NOTICE IS GIVEN That answers to Verizon's Motion to Modify Protective Order No. 02 will be received if filed no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 11, 2005. Given the shortened time for responses, parties may submit responses with the Commission electronically or via facsimile pursuant to WAC 480-07-145(6) and file paper copies the next business day.

Sincerely,

C. ROBERT WALLIS
Administrative Law Judge