July 11, 2005

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Verizon/MCI Merger Docket No. UT-050814

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 17 copies of Commission Staff's Reply to Verizon Northwest's Motion to Modify Protective Order No. 2.

Sincerely,

JONATHAN C. THOMPSON Assistant Attorney General

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