

October 15, 2003

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
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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*

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The Commission Staff submits this letter in accordance with Administrative Law Judge's notice of opportunity to respond to Verizon Northwest, Inc.'s letter regarding its cost model. The Commission Staff concurs in the response filed by AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest on October 13, 2003.

Very truly yours,

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cc: All parties