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Via Federal Express

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

> Docket No. UT-023003 Re:

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The Commission's Fifteenth Supplemental Order in the above-referenced proceeding requires the filing of a proposed confidentiality agreement for administrators and help desk personnel associated with oversight of Verizon's cost model by October 24, 2003. AT&T has been in discussions with Verizon concerning such an agreement and believes that the Commission and the parties would be better served by permitting AT&T and Verizon to continue those discussions, rather than requiring these parties to file competing proposed agreements. Accordingly, AT&T requests that the Commission modify the filing requirements in the Fifteenth Supplemental Order to extend the initial filing deadline until October 31, 2003, with a revised response deadline of November 5, 2003. I have discussed this request with counsel for Verizon, Commission Staff, and MCI, and they have expressed support for this request.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this request.

Very truly yours,

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

Gregory J. Kopta

cc: Parties of Record