

October 31, 2003

**NOTICE EXTENDING TIME TO RESPOND  
(To Thursday, November 6 and Wednesday, November 12, 2003)**

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 ALL PARTIES:**

On October 16, 2003, the Commission entered its Fifteenth Supplemental Order in this docket. The order required the parties to file their proposed confidentiality agreement for administrators and help desk personnel who administer Verizon's web-based cost model by October 24, 2003.

On October 24, 2003, AT&T contacted the Commission and requested an extension of the filing date to allow AT&T and Verizon to conduct further discussions intended to allow them to file an agreed upon confidentiality agreement. An extension of the filing date was granted to October 31, 2003.

On October 31, 2003, AT&T indicated that negotiations were continuing and that the parties were close to agreement regarding the issue of appropriate confidentiality protections. However, some additional time was needed to finalize a joint proposal. AT&T requested an extension of the filing date to Thursday, November 6, 2003 and a corresponding extension of the response deadline until Wednesday, November 12, 2003 in the event that the agreement was not reached.

The Commission encourages the parties to negotiate and agree upon matters that come before it. In light of the continued negotiations between AT&T and Verizon, the requested extension is reasonable.

**Notice is given that the deadline for filing a proposed confidentiality agreement is extended from October 31, 2003 to Thursday, November 6, 2003. Likewise, the deadline for filing responses, or objections, is extended from November 4, 2003 to Wednesday, November 12, 2003.**

Sincerely,

THEODORA M. MACE  
Administrative Law judge