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Bob Wallis, ALJ
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
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Re: *Verizon/MCI Merger*
Docket No. UT-050814

Dear Judge Wallis:

Staff and Public Counsel have reached an agreement with Verizon that would resolve Staff and Public Counsel's Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Testimony, filed on August 12, 2005.

The parties have agreed, and Staff and Public Counsel hereby request that the Commission amend the procedural schedule set out in the Commission's June 23, 2005, Prehearing Conference Order to reflect the following dates:

Others' exhibits filed	September 9
Rebuttal, cross-rebuttal	October 6
Scheduled dates for hearing	November 1-4
Simultaneous opening briefs	November 14
Simultaneous answering briefs	November 21

It is Staff's understanding that none of the other parties to the case have an objection to this proposal.

We have not provided dates for the filing of cross exhibits or for a prehearing conference.

Sincerely,



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JCT: tmw
cc: Parties

