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Mr. David Danner
Secretary and Executive Director
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

***Re: Joint Application of Verizon Communications Inc. and Frontier
Communications Corporation for an Order Declining to Assert Jurisdiction
Over, or, in the Alternative, Approving the Indirect Transfer of Control of
Verizon Northwest Inc.***

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing are an original and twelve copies of the Joint Application of Verizon Communications Inc. and Frontier Communications Corporation for an Order Declining to Assert Jurisdiction Over, or, in the Alternative, Approving the Indirect Transfer of Control of Verizon Northwest Inc. The Joint Applicants respectfully request that the Commission schedule a prehearing conference in this matter as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this filing and if you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory M. Romano".

Gregory M. Romano

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Enclosures