

March 20, 2001

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
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Re: Staff Comments on Verizon NW Compliance Filing
Docket No. UT-003013 *PART A*

Dear Ms. Washburn:

On March 7, 2001, Verizon Northwest Inc. filed tariff advice letters 976 and 977 stating that they are filed in compliance with the Thirteenth Supplemental Order in Docket UT-003013 (Part A). The Commission has requested that staff review the compliance filing and file comments by March 21, 2001.

Advices 976

Advice letters 976 contains tariff revisions to the Collocation tariff. Staff has reviewed the filing and believes that it complies with Commission ordered changes. One administrative problem with the sheet numbering was discovered on four of the tariff sheets. Verizon filed replacement sheets to correct the problem.

Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order allowing the tariff revisions, as amended by the replacement sheets, filed in Advice 976 to become effective.

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Advice 977

Advice letter 977 contains proposed revisions to the Unbundled Network Element tariff. Staff reviewed the changes and believes that the filing complies with the Commission's order. Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order allowing the tariff revisions filed in Advice 977 to become effective.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures
cc: All Parties