

February 17, 2005

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE RESPONSE  
(By Wednesday, February 23, 2005)**

RE: WUTC v. Verizon Northwest Inc.  
Docket No. UT-040788

In the Matter of the Petition of Verizon Northwest, Inc., for Approval of  
Revised Depreciation Rates, Docket No. UT-040520

TO ALL PARTIES:

On February 16, 2005, Commission Staff, Verizon, and Public Counsel informed the Commission via teleconference that the parties have reached a settlement in principle of all issues in the above matters. They indicate they expect to have a settlement agreement filed no later than Wednesday, February 23, 2005, and ask that the procedural schedule in both dockets be suspended.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN That the Commission invites responses of all parties on the request to suspend the procedural schedule in Docket Nos. UT-040788 and UT-040520, pending review of the settlement agreement, by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 23, 2005.**

Sincerely,

C. ROBERT WALLIS  
Administrative Law Judge