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Frances Nichols
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Re: Docket No. ARB 531

Dear Ms. Nichols:

On March 19, 2004, Administrative Law Judge Samuel J. Petrillo issued his "Disposition: Verizon Response for Motion to Dismiss Due March 26, 2004; Other Comments Also Due March 26, 2004" that AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest, Inc., AT&T Local Services on Behalf of TCG Oregon, WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its regulated subsidiaries operating in Oregon (now known as "MCI"), DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company, ICG Telecom Group Inc., Level 3 Communications LLC, Integra Telecom of Oregon Inc., DSL Net Communications LLP, Adelphia Business Solutions Operations, Inc., Allegiance Telecom of Oregon Inc., Pacwest Telecom of Oregon Inc., Unicon, and the Northwest Competitive Communications Coalition¹ (hereinafter "affected carriers") received between March 20th and March 23rd, 2004.

The affected carriers note that they have not been placed on the service list based on some possible confusion in this docket. For example, an employee of AT&T contacted the Office of Administrative Hearings inquiring about getting a copy of Sprint's Motion to Dismiss and being put on the service list. He was informed that AT&T would have to file a Petition to Intervene in order to be considered an active

¹ For purposes of this letter the Northwest Competitive Communications Coalition members are: Eschelon Communications and Oregon Telecom Inc. Other members are not participating or could not be contacted in time to consent to this filing.

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party in this docket. As none of the affected carriers have filed, or should have to file a Petition for Intervention in this matter, none of the affected carriers are on the service list, and accordingly have not received both the Sprint Motion to Dismiss or the Revised Verizon Petition for Arbitration.

It is clear that as Verizon has submitted a Petition for Arbitration with the affected carriers, those carriers become Respondents pursuant to OAR 860-016-0030. Accordingly, those parties should not have to intervene in order to be placed on the service list to receive the relevant documents.

Regardless, as most of the affected carriers have not reviewed the relevant materials,² they are not in the position to effectively analyze their positions on either Sprint's motion or Verizon's revised petition. Accordingly, the affected carriers would request that they 1) be placed on the service list forthwith and served with the relevant documents, 2) be allowed an extension to April 6 to provide comments on Sprint's Motion to Dismiss and the logistical issue of conducting the consolidated arbitration proposed by Verizon within the limited time frame allowed by the Act.

The undersigned has been authorized to sign on behalf of the affected carriers.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



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cc: Service List

² Note that a few of the affected carriers contacted the Office of the Administrative Law Judge requesting the materials.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I faxed March 24, 2004, Letter to Frances Nichols in Docket No. ARB 531 and sent the original and five copies via overnight mail delivery on this 24th day of March, 2004, to:

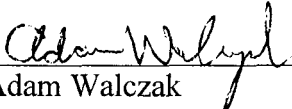
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