

February 27, 2004

Ms. Cheryl Walker
Oregon Public Utility Commission
550 Capitol Street N.E., Suite 215
Salem, Oregon 97310

RE: ARB 529 Agreement between Verizon Northwest Inc. and MCI Worldcom
Communications Inc. (As Successor to Rhythms Links Inc. and Verizon Northwest Inc.)

Dear Ms. Walker,

Per your email on 2/27/04, Verizon hereby withdraws the ARB 529 filing that was submitted on January 23, 2004. This action is being taken because the original checklist that was filed with the documents indicated that this agreement replaced the MCI Worldcom agreement that was previously approved by the Commission in ARB 422. The checklist was incorrect. This agreement is a new stand-alone agreement. The ARB 422 agreement is to remain in place. Please call me at (503) 645-7909 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Renee Willer
Verizon Northwest Inc.