

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION

In the Matter of the	)	DOCKET NO. UT-003013
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	)	TWENTY-SEVENTH
Continued Costing and Pricing of	)	SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER;
Unbundled Network Elements,	)	ORDER CORRECTING
Transport, and Termination	)	THIRTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL
	)	ORDER
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**SYNOPSIS**

1 This order corrects an error in this proceeding’s Thirteenth Supplemental Order regarding Verizon’s OSS transition costs in Washington State for the period of 1996 to 1999. Verizon’s cost recovery for that period may not exceed \$2.6 million.

**BACKGROUND**

2 The Commission entered its Thirteenth Supplemental Order as its final order in Part A (“Part A Order”) in this docket on January 31, 2000. The Part A Order resolved issues regarding Verizon’s OSS transition costs.

3 Verizon NW Incorporated (“Verizon”) notified the Commission on September 18, 2001, that the Part A Order misstates Verizon’s total requested OSS transition costs in Washington State for the period of 1996 to 1999. According to Verizon, the Part A Order provides that Verizon is entitled to recover its reported OSS transition costs for the period of 1996 to 1999, but the total dollar amount to be recovered did not include the calculation of transition costs for 1999. Verizon requests that the Part A Order be corrected pursuant to WAC 480-09-815.

4 Parties were provided opportunity to respond to Verizon’s request on or before October 3, 2001. Commission Staff was the only party to respond. Staff states that Verizon’s calculation of 1999 OSS costs should have been included in the total amount recoverable, and that it appears that those costs are omitted due to an administrative oversight.

**DISCUSSION AND DECISION**

5 The Part A Order, at Paragraph 145, provides a table comparing proposed OSS transition cost recovery for Qwest and Verizon. Table 1, Note (a), states that Verizon’s datum is for the years 1996-1999. According to Table 1, Verizon’s request for transition cost recovery in Washington State is \$1.9 million, and Note (b) states

that the source for this sum is Exhibit C-252, page 5-WA 3. The Commission found, at Paragraph 156, that Verizon's proposed rates are just and reasonable, and we approved those charges.

6 Exhibit C-252, page 5-WA 3 (revised June 21, 2000), summarizes Verizon's OSS costs contained in the company's wholesale non-recurring cost study. Incurred OSS transition costs for the period of 1996-1998 are stated separately from costs for 1999. Verizon's OSS transition costs in Washington State for the period of 1996 to 1998 are stated to be \$1,945,204. Verizon's OSS transition costs in Washington State for 1999 are stated to be \$648,851.

7 In the Part A Order, the Commission intended Verizon's total OSS transition costs in Washington State to be the sum of its costs for the periods of 1996 to 1998 and 1999. Thus, the Commission's determination in the Part A Order, Paragraph 160, that Verizon's OSS transition cost recovery may not exceed \$1.9 million is obviously in error. The correct sum that Verizon's recovery may not exceed is \$2.6 million.

### **ORDER**

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That:

8 Verizon's OSS transition cost recovery in Washington State for the period of 1996 to 1999 may not exceed \$2.6 million.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this     day of November, 2001.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner