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Verizon Wireless
Attention: Associate Director
1120 Sanctuary Parkway, Suite 150
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Re: Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. and Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless
PSC Reference No. 00983

Sir/Madam:

This is to notify you that Commission Staff has completed its review of your agreement submitted on November 21, 2008, and has concluded that it is in compliance with federal and state law and with previous Commission orders. Accordingly, it is unnecessary for Staff to refer this matter for formal Commission action. The agreement will be maintained in this office and, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252, shall be effective on February 19, 2009.

If you have not already done so, the Commission requests that you submit the subject agreement in Microsoft Word Format (.doc) or Portable Document Format (.pdf) on either a CD or 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Stevens at Extension 238.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Depewen".

Jeff Depewen
Executive Director

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cc: Harlon E. Parker (Ballard Telephone)