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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: EX PARTE -- CC Docket No. 01-9: Application of Verizon Pursuant to
Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to Provide InterLATA
Services in Massachusetts

Dear Ms. Salas:

On March 26, Mark Cooper met with Commissioner Ness to discuss Verizon's refiled section 271 application to provide long distance service in Massachusetts. Dr. Cooper stressed the importance of adhering to the orderly process of having permanent, cost-based UNEs in place prior to the filing of an applications and to the need for further improvements in handling competitor provisioning of DSL prior to approval of an application.

In accordance with section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, an original and one copy of this Notice are being filed with your office. In addition, a copy of this Notice and attachments is being transmitted by fax to Ann Berkowitz at Verizon as requested in the Commission's Public Notice.

Sincerely,

Mark Cooper

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