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Before the
Federal Communications Commission
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of)	
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C.F. Communications Corp., et al.)	EB Docket No. 01-99
)	
Complainants,)	
)	File No. E-93-73
v.)	
)	
Century Telephone of Wisconsin, Inc.,)	
et al.)	
)	
Defendants.)	
_____)	

To: **Arthur I. Steinberg**
Administrative Law Judge

**JOINT MOTION OF
BEST PAYPHONES INC.
AND VERIZON NEW YORK, INC.
TO HOLD PROCEEDING IN ABEYANCE**

Best Payphones, Inc. ("Best") and Verizon New York, Inc. ("Verizon")¹, complainant and defendant, respectively, in File No. E-93-73, hereby jointly move for an order holding discovery and other procedures in this proceeding in abeyance for a period of up to 45 days. Best and Verizon request this relief because they have reached an agreement in principle to settle this litigation, but need time to work out certain details and to document their agreement. The parties agree that it would be unnecessary and wasteful for them to continue to devote time and resources to discovery and preparation

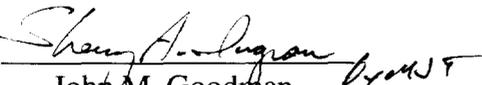
¹ Verizon is the successor in interest to New York Telephone Company, the defendant named in Best's complaint in this matter.

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for a hearing while they complete their settlement arrangements. Accordingly, the parties request that the Administrative Law Judge issue an order holding the proceeding in File No. E-93-73 in abeyance for a period of up to 45 days. The parties will promptly report to the Administrative Law Judge when they have finalized and executed a settlement agreement. Verizon and Best do not expect to seek any further continuance in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on this 30th day of August, 2001, copies of the foregoing “Joint Motion of Best Payphones Inc. and Verizon New York Inc. To Hold Proceeding In Abeyance” were served by first class U.S. Mail on the following parties:

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