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Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
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**Re: *Unbundled Access to Network Elements, WC Docket No. 04-313; Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers, CC Docket No. 01-338, Access to Confidential Material***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the Protective Order and Revised Protective Order<sup>1</sup> adopted in the above-referenced proceedings, Verizon submits the attached copy of the Acknowledgement of Confidentiality for William H. Johnson.

Verizon seeks access by Mr. Johnson to confidential versions of documents filed by AT&T, Conversent, Covad, MCI, NuVox, the New Jersey Division of the Ratepayer Advocate, Qwest, and Sprint in this docket. Mr. Johnson recently joined Verizon as a Regulatory Attorney in the Federal Regulatory Group, where his responsibilities will include the above-referenced dockets.

As stated in the attached certificate of service, counsel for each party has been served, via overnight delivery and fax, with a copy of this letter and the signed Acknowledgment of Confidentiality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer L. Hoh", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jennifer L. Hoh

Attachments

cc: Attached Service List

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<sup>1</sup> *Unbundled Access to Network Elements*, Protective Order, 19 FCC Rcd 19292 (2004) (“Protective Order”); Order, DA 04-3152 (rel. Oct. 1, 2004).

## APPENDIX B

Acknowledgment of Confidentiality

CC Docket No. 01-338 &amp; WC Docket No. 04-313

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, and I understand it. I agree that I am bound by the Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Confidential Documents or Confidential Information except as allowed by the Protective Order. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission.

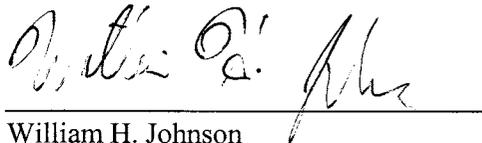
Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent that I have any employment, affiliation or role with any person or entity other than a conventional private law firm (such as, but not limited to, a lobbying or public interest organization), I acknowledge specifically that my access to any information obtained as a result of the order is due solely to my capacity as Counsel or consultant to a party or other person described in paragraph 5 of the foregoing Protective Order and that I will not use such information in any other capacity nor will I disclose such information except as specifically provided in the Protective Order.

I hereby certify that I am not involved in "competitive decision-making" as that term is used in the definition of In-House Counsel in paragraph 2 of the Protective Order.

I acknowledge that it is my obligation to ensure that: (1) Stamped Confidential Documents and Confidential Information are used only as provided in the Protective Order; and (2) Stamped Confidential Documents are not duplicated except as specifically permitted by the terms of paragraph 10 of the Protective Order. I certify that I have verified that there are in place procedures, at my firm or office, to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Stamped Confidential Documents or Confidential Information.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Protective Order.

Executed at Arlington, VA, this 15th day of November, 2004.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 15th day of November, 2004, copies of the foregoing Letter and "Acknowledgment of Confidentiality" were sent by facsimile and overnight delivery, to the parties listed below.



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