



US PAN ASIAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Education Foundation

1329 18th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036
Tel: (202) 296-5221 • Fax: (202) 296-5225 • 1(800) 696-7818
info@uspaacc.com www.uspaacc.com

August 11, 2008

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the matter of Verizon Wireless/Alltel Corporation Transfer of Control Applications, WT Docket No. 08-95

Dear Ms. Dortch:

For more than 20 years, the U.S. Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce advocates on behalf of our members by opening doors of contract and development educational and professional opportunities in corporate America and agencies in the Federal and State government. The pending merger between Verizon Wireless and Alltel Wireless presents an opportunity to improve the lives of the Asian American community through the deployment of more efficient services to small businesses as well as the development of innovative new technologies such as the Open Development Initiative.

Alltel's customers – including many communities with large Asian American populations- stand to benefit from Verizon's record of annually investing billions of dollars in its wireless network. We understand, Verizon will be among the first wireless firms to roll out the next generation wireless network.

As Verizon Wireless is working to ensure new products, applications and services will be interoperable with its network, this new approach to development, the Open Development Initiative, means that any product, device or service compliant with ODI requirements can work on Verizon Wireless' network. This openness will be a boon to competition, helping to increase choice while keeping prices down.

Through this, Alltel's customers in some 34 states will have access to the largest nationwide wireless network, and new choices including an advanced broadband network and a variety of calling plans.

We urge you to vote in favor of this merger.

Sincerely,

Susan Au Allen
National President & CEO
US Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce EF