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Public Utilities Commission of Oregon
Attention: Filing Center
550 Capitol Street N.E., Suite 215
Salem, OR 97301-2551

Re: *Joint Application of Verizon Communications Inc. and Frontier Communications Corporation for an Order Declining to Assert Jurisdiction Over, or, in the Alternative, Approving the Indirect Transfer of Control of Verizon Northwest Inc.; UM 1431*

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed for filing is a Motion to Admit Counsel *Pro Hac Vice*, including the Affidavit of Gregory M. Romano and a Status Certificate for the State of Washington.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John H. Ridge", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

John H. Ridge

JHR/sms
Enclosure

UM 1431
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served this document upon all of the following parties, as follows:

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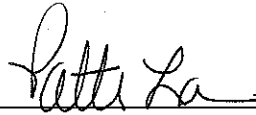
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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UM 1431

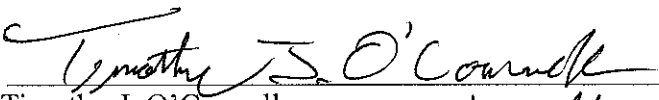
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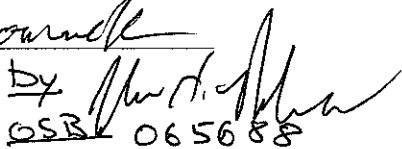
**MOTION TO ADMIT
COUNSEL *PRO HAC VICE***

Pursuant to UTCR 3.170, Verizon Northwest Inc. ("Verizon") hereby moves to admit Gregory M. Romano, a member in good standing in the State of Washington, as counsel *pro hac vice* for Verizon Communications Inc. in this proceeding. This Motion is supported by the attached Affidavit of Gregory M. Romano.

DATED this 19 day of June, 2009.

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.

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PET AUTHORIZATION

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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**AFFIDAVIT OF
GREGORY M. ROMANO**

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
)
County of Snohomish)

I, Gregory M. Romano, being first duly sworn, hereby state:

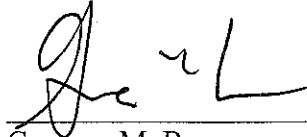
1. I am admitted to practice law in the State of Washington and am an attorney in good standing in that jurisdiction. Attached to this Affidavit is a true and correct copy of a certificate showing that I am an attorney in good standing in the State of Washington. I am not subject to any pending disciplinary proceedings in the State of Washington.

2. I will associate in this matter with Timothy J. O'Connell of Stoel Rives, LLP. I am currently the General Counsel – Northwest Region for Verizon. To the best of my knowledge, Timothy J. O'Connell is an active member in good standing of the Oregon State Bar.

3. I will comply with all applicable statutes, laws, and procedural rules of the State of Oregon; be familiar with and comply with the disciplinary rules of the Oregon State Bar; and submit to jurisdiction of the Oregon courts and the Oregon State Bar with respect to acts and omissions occurring during my admission *pro hac vice* in this matter.


4. I agree to notify this administrative agency of any changes in my status, as required by UTC 3.170(1)(f).

DATED this 22nd day of June, 2009.

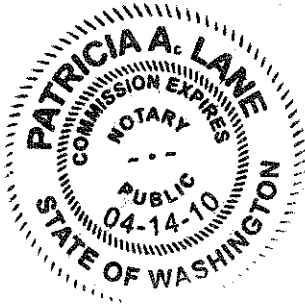


Gregory M. Romano

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 22nd day of June, 2009



NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of
Washington, residing at Mapleville
My Commission expires: 4-14-10



STATUS CERTIFICATE

This certifies that

GREGORY MICHAEL ROMANO

was admitted to the Bar of the State of Washington on January 18, 2007, has been an active member since admission, and has complied with all requirements of the Washington State Bar Association for payment of licensing fees and attendance at continuing legal education programs.

Dated as of June 19, 2009.



Paula C. Littlewood
Executive Director

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