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RE: *Bell Atlantic Corp. and GTE Corp., CC Docket No. 98-184*

Dear Ms. Berkowitz:

This letter addresses Verizon's request for the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) (formerly Common Carrier Bureau) to apply changes adopted by the New York Public Service Commission to the Carrier-to-Carrier Performance Plan (Performance Plan) for the NP-2-01 and NP-2-02 Performance Measures to July data instead of May.¹ In its request, Verizon stated that these changes required programming changes in order to precisely calculate the metrics as they are defined in the recently approved red-line of the business rules. Pursuant to the *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, I grant Verizon's request.²

If Verizon disagrees with any of this letter's guidance, it may file an application for review with the Commission pursuant to section 1.115 of the Commission's rules.³

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance. In addition, you may contact Bill Dever, Assistant Division Chief, Competition Policy Division in the Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-1578.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

CC: Dee May, Verizon

¹ Letter from Ann D. Berkowitz, Project Manager, Verizon, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 98-184 (filed July 2, 2002). *See Application of GTE Corp., Transferor, and Bell Atlantic Corp., Transferee, For Consent to Transfer Control of Domestic and International Sections 214 and 310 Authorizations and Applications to Transfer Control of a Submarine Cable Landing License*, CC Docket 98-184, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 15 FCC Rcd 14032 (2000) (*Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*).

² *See Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, 15 FCC Rcd 14032 at App. D, Attach. A.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 1.115.