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## **PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR VERIZON PETITION FOR PRICING FLEXIBILITY FOR SPECIAL ACCESS AND DEDICATED TRANSPORT SERVICES**

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**COMMENTS: March 13, 2003**  
**REPLY COMMENTS: March 24, 2003**

On February 26, 2003, Verizon Telephone Companies (Verizon) filed a petition for pricing flexibility for special access and dedicated transport services in designated geographic areas pursuant to sections 1.774 and 69.701 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.774 and 69.701 *et seq.* The petition is available for review through the Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS). Comments and oppositions may be filed no later than March 13, 2003, 15 days after the petition was filed. 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(c). Interested parties are strongly encouraged to file comments electronically through ETFS, although they are not required to do so. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(2)(i). The ETFS provides instructions for filing both public and confidential versions of comments, and, if interested parties require additional assistance, they may call the ETFS Information Line at (202) 418-7700. Parties electing to file comments through a method other than ETFS must file such comments in accordance with section 1.774(e)(2)(ii) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(2)(ii). In addition, Verizon may file a reply no later than March 24, 2003.<sup>1</sup> Any such reply must be filed through ETFS. 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(3). For additional information about the filing and service of comments and replies, see sections 1.774(c)-(e) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.774(c)-(e).

This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200, 1.1206. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one- or two-sentence description of the views and arguments presented generally is required. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b). Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

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<sup>1</sup> The Commission's rules require that this reply be filed 10 days after the comment deadline. 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(d). In this case, the tenth day falls on March 23, a Sunday, thus the reply is due on Monday, March 24. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.4(j).

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