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## COMMENTS SOUGHT ON VERIZON PETITION FOR INTERIM WAIVER OF SECTIONS 61.42(g), 61.38 AND 61.49 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES

**COMMENTS DUE: January 21, 2002**

**REPLY COMMENTS DUE: February 4, 2002**

On November 30, 2001, Verizon filed a petition for waiver of: (a) Section 61.42(g), so that it may exclude its advanced services from price cap baskets; (b) Section 61.38, so that it may file tariff modifications without cost support; and (c) Section 61.49, so that it may file tariff transmittals without certain supporting information. On September 26, 2001, the Commission granted Verizon's request to re-integrate, on an accelerated basis, Verizon Advanced Data Inc.'s ("VADI") advanced services assets into the Verizon Telephone Companies.<sup>1</sup> The Commission subsequently initiated a rulemaking to consider whether incumbent local exchange carriers should be treated as non-dominant in the provision of advanced services.<sup>2</sup> In this petition, Verizon seeks interim relief from price cap obligations and certain rules in connection with its filing of tariffs for advanced services, pending the outcome of the rulemaking.

Interested parties may file comments no later than **January 21, 2002**. Reply comments may be filed no later than **February 4, 2002**. When filing comments, please reference **CCB/CPD File No. 01-29**. An original and four copies of all comments and reply comments must be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-B204, Washington, DC 20554.<sup>3</sup> In addition, one copy of each submission must be filed with Qualex International, the Commission's duplicating contractor, at its office at Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, and one copy with the Chief, Competitive Pricing Division, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A225, Washington, D.C. 20554. Documents in CCB/CPD No. 01-29 are available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554. The documents may also be purchased from Qualex International, telephone (202) 863-2893, facsimile (202) 863-2898.

This proceeding 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 and 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 is generally 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).

For further information, contact Paul Moon, Competitive Pricing Division, Common Carrier Bureau, (202) 418-1530.

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<sup>1</sup> Application of GTE Corporation and Bell Atlantic Corporation For Consent to Transfer Control of Domestic and International Section 214 and 310 Authorizations and Applications to Transfer Control of a Submarine Cable Landing License, CC Docket No. 98-184, *Order*, DA 01-2203 (rel. Sept. 26, 2001).

<sup>2</sup> FCC Initiates Proceeding to Examine Regulatory Treatment of Incumbent Carriers' Broadband Services, *Public Notice* (Dec. 12, 2001).

<sup>3</sup> Parties are directed to the Commission's recent Public Notice concerning changes in the filing location and procedures for paper documents. See FCC Announces a New Filing Location for Paper Documents, *Public Notice*, DA 01-2919 (Dec. 14, 2001).