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Ms. Dee May
Executive Director
Federal Regulatory
1300 I Street, NW, Suite 400 West
Washington, DC 20005

RE: *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, CC Docket No. 98-184

Dear Ms. May:

This letter addresses Verizon Communications, Inc.'s (Verizon) performance measurements that are contained in the *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*.¹ As explained below, I approve Verizon's April 30, 2002, proposal for two minor corrections of its business rules that pertain to those measurements.²

The *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order* establishes performance standards and a semiannual review process designed, *inter alia*, for the purpose of reviewing such standards.³ In its letter, Verizon states that it discovered two typographical errors in the recently approved redline of the business rules from the most recent semiannual review.⁴ Specifically, Verizon explains that a footnote was erroneously omitted for UNE measures in both the OR-1 and OR-2 business rules,⁵ which measure Verizon's performance for Order Completion Timeliness and Reject Timeliness respectively.⁶ Verizon states that correcting these errors would clarify the business performance standards and harmonize the metrics requiring facility verification for resale and UNE orders.⁷ I find Verizon's proposal to correct this typographical error to be reasonable. Accordingly, I grant Verizon's request to modify the Performance Standard section of the OR-1 and OR-2 business rules as proposed.

Sincerely,

Carol E. Matthey
Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

¹ 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 Letter from Dee May, Executive Director, Federal Regulatory, Verizon, to Carol Matthey, Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, CC Docket No. 98-184 (filed April 30, 2002) (Verizon April 30 *Ex Parte* Letter).

³ See *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, 15 FCC Rcd 14032 at App. D, Attach. A.

⁴ Verizon April 30 *Ex Parte* Letter at 2.

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ See *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, 15 FCC Rcd 14032 at App. D, Attach. A.

⁷ *Id.*