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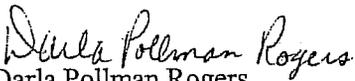
Re: Verizon Wireless et al. vs. SD Public Utilities Commission, SDTA and Venture
Civil Number 04-3014
Our File Number 04-181

Dear Judge Kornmann:

This is advise you that the above-named defendants concur with the letter dated May 24, 2006, sent to you by Verizon. In your May 18, 2006 memorandum, you requested our opinion on whether certain recent action taken by the FCC had any bearing on the above-named case. Defendants agree with Verizon's opinion that the referenced FCC action related to common carrier status of broadband service providers, and that broadband service is not at issue in the case currently pending before this court.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,


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