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Via Electronic Mail

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California Public Utilities Commission

RE: SED Audit Report of Verizon Facilities in San Luis Obispo County

Dear Mr. Daye:

In response to your Audit Report of Verizon Wireless (“Verizon”) facilities in San Luis Obispo County, Verizon submits the following response.

As noted below, a number of the findings related to a third party’s facilities and for those findings, we have provided the third party with notice about the required remediations. For the three findings that relate to Verizon’s facilities, we are working to request bids for a vendor to remediate those, and we anticipate completion of remediations in April.

- I. **GO 95, Rule 31.1, Design Construction and Maintenance, states in part: Electrical supply and communication systems shall be designed, constructed, and maintained for their intended use, regard being given to the conditions under which they are to be operated, to enable the furnishing of safe, proper, and adequate service.**

Verizon’s facilities on the following poles required maintenance:

- Two poles south of pole120762762 – the lashing wire was loose causing the conductor to separate from the strand wire.

- **Verizon response:** *This is a third party Digital West's wire; see attached third party notice.*
- The riser on a communication pole east of Loomis and Santa Ynez was not secured to the pole.
 - **Verizon response:** *we are remediating this.*
- Pole 120535562 – the riser was not secured to the pole. Verizon's facilities on the pole
 - **Verizon response:** *we are remediating this.*
- 121350813 need to be transferred to the newly set pole.
 - **Verizon response:** *This is a third party Digital West's facilities; see attached third party notice*

II. GO 95, Rule 38 - Minimum Clearances of Wires from Other Wires, Table 2, Case 8, Column C, requires the minimum vertical separation between communications conductors on separate crossarms or other supports at different levels on the same pole and in adjoining midspans to be 12 inches.

The separation between Verizon communications facilities and a third-party communications conductor on each of the following poles was less than 12 inches:

- Pole 120225924 – Verizon's conductor in contact with another party communication conductor.
- Pole 121195206 – Verizon's conductor in contact with another party communication conductor.
- Pole 121195204 – Verizon's conductor in contact with another party communication conductor.

Verizon response: *These are all third party facilities; see attached third party notices.*

III. GO 95, Rule 56.2 Overhead Guys, Anchor Guys and Span Wires, Use, states in part: Guys shall be attached to structures, as nearly as practicable, at the center of load. They shall be maintained taut and of such strength as to meet the safety factors of Rule 44

- The down guy wire attached to pole 121195211 was loose and not taut.
 - **Verizon response:** *This is a third party facility; see attached third party notice.*

- The down guy wire on a communication pole four poles east of the corner of Loomis and Santa Ynez was loose and not taut.
 - **Verizon response:** *We will remediate this.*

Please let us know if you have questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/

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