

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In The Matter of the Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (U 338-E) for Authority to Lease Certain Fiber Optic Cables to CELLCO PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS under the Master Dark Fiber Lease Agreement Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 851.

Application No. 17-02-001
(filed February 3, 2017)

CELLCO PARTNERSHIP DBA VERIZON WIRELESS

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission), Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless gives the following report regarding its July 20, 2018 ex parte communication with Sean Simon, Chief of Staff for Commissioner Rechtschaffen, and Lester Wong, Advisor to Commissioner Randolph, in the above- eferenced proceeding. Also present for the Commission were Simi George and Lisa-Marie Clark.

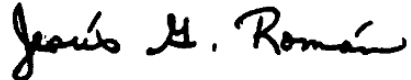
On July 20, 2018, from 10:30 a.m. to approximately 11:00 a.m., Heidi Barsuglia, Vice President of Government Affairs for Verizon and Jesús G. Román, Associate General Counsel for Verizon, held a conference call with the Commission staff noted above. The communication was initiated by Verizon Wireless and no written materials were provided.

During the call, Verizon Wireless stated that the redacted provisions of the Master Lease Agreement (MLA) should not be made public and noted that the Alternate Proposed Decision of Cmr. Rechtschaffen applied standards not yet adopted when the claim of confidentiality was made and supported by the Declaration of Verizon Wireless. Verizon Wireless further

commented that the if the policy underpinning the conclusion to not provide confidential treatment to the Lease Route Orders and the redacted provisions of the MLA was to promote competitive access to Southern California Edison's dark fiber, then that conclusion would have the opposite effect, as wireless carriers may decide that leasing from SCE would put at risk public disclosure of their competitively sensitive routes or other information and consequently refrain from leasing dark fiber from either SCE or other public utilities.

June 20, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jesús G. Román". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "R".

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