VERIZON RESPONSE TO VA SCC KPMG EXCEPTION

Exception #: 15

Component: KPMG Consulting observed that Verizon did not meet the retail parity

performance results for installation quality of high capacity circuits.

Domain: M&R

Date Uncovered by

KPMG:

01/09/02

Date VERIZON

Received:

01/09/02

Date VERIZON

Responded:

01/17/02

KPMG Summary

Statement:

A higher trouble rate for newly installed circuits has the potential of putting the CLECs at a competitive disadvantage due to increased cost

of providing service.

Verizon Response: Verizon will respond to this exception by close of business on Thursday,

January 24, 2002.