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Ms. Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect January 14, 2004, tariff material consisting of:

**RI PUC No. 15**

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This tariff filing introduces enhancements to ISDN Primary Service and Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Service. Specifically, the filing eliminates the mileage component for the Local Distribution Channel for customers enrolled in 2- or 3-year Corporate Rewards Service Agreements; provides for the use of alternate digital facilities; allows upgrades to term commitments; revises termination liability; and provides for more flexibility for the subscription to optional features. The filing also revises the application of service establishment charges.

Verizon certifies that the rates for ISDN Primary Service and Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Service are not less than the Long Run Incremental Costs of providing the services.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Frances O'Neill-Cunha of my staff at 401 525-3560.

Enclosed are an original and nine copies of the tariff material. Please return a copy of this letter with your stamp of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

**ENHANCEMENTS TO  
ISDN PRIMARY SERVICES**

**VERIZON RHODE ISLAND**

**TARIFF FILING SUPPORT PACKAGE**

# **ISDN Primary Services Verizon Rhode Island**

## **Tariff Filing Support Package**

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## Section 1: Description of Product Enhancements

The purpose of this filing is to introduce enhancements to the ISDN Primary Service and the Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Service tariff. ISDN Primary Service provides access to the Telephone Company's voice and circuit switched data transport services via a 1.544 Mbps digital path between ISDN compatible customer premises equipment and an ISDN equipped central office. Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub service provides ISDN Primary service for remote access applications using a hub architecture for company LATA-wide coverage. This filing package proposes the following:

- 1) *Eliminates* the Mileage Component for the Local Distribution Channel for ISDN Primary customers who are enrolled in 2- or 3-year Corporate Rewards Service Agreements.
- 2) *Introduces enhancements* to the existing ISDN Primary tariff to address changes necessary for the product to keep pace with market demands. These enhancements include: 1) allowing customers to select alternate digital facilities; 2) allowing customers to upgrade existing term commitments if the new commitment has an equal or greater revenue than the existing commitment; 3) revising the minimum service period and termination liability language to state that if a customer has paid no non-recurring charges as part of a term agreement, and the service is disconnected before one year, then the customer will be required to pay the non-recurring charge for the service. ; 4) allowing two-year payment plan customers to subscribe to three-year payment plan optional features or capabilities.
- 3) *Waives the Service Establishment Charges for* ISDN Primary Port and optional features for customers who subscribe to ISDN Primary Service under a 2- or 3- year Corporate Reward Service Agreements or Enhanced PRI Hub service and the Optional Payment Plans.
- 4) *Increases* the Service Establishment Charge discount on the Local Distribution Channel from the existing 50% discount to a 100% discount for customers selecting a term commitment.

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**10. Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Services**  
**10.6 ISDN Primary Service**

<b>10.6.1 Definitions</b>	
<b>B Channel</b>	A 64 kbps digital message path capable of transporting voice and data.
<b>Clear Channel</b>	Provides for the full utilization of the 64 kbps bandwidth of a B channel. The line code used to provide 64 kbps clear channel capability is bipolar with 8 zero substitution (B8ZS), as specified in TR-NWT-000499.
<b>D Channel</b>	A 64 kbps digital message path used for signaling and control of the B channels.

<b>10.6.2 Description</b>	
<b>A.</b>	ISDN primary provides access to the Telephone Company's voice and circuit switched data transport services via a 1.544 Mbps digital path between ISDN compatible customer premises equipment and an ISDN equipped central office. ISDN primary includes DID which permits incoming dialed calls from the network to reach a specific station line of a Private Branch Exchange (PBX) or other customer premises equipment without the assistance of an attendant.
<b>B.</b>	ISDN primary is offered on a measured local service basis. No local usage allowance is provided.
<b>C.</b>	ISDN primary may be provided from the customer's normal central office, or from a foreign exchange or foreign central office, subject to the availability of facilities.
<b>D.</b>	ISDN primary is offered only from suitably equipped central offices, subject to availability of facilities and only within a Rhode Island Local Access and Transport Area (LATA).

<b>10.6.3 Service Components</b>	
<b>A.</b>	<b>Port</b> — An ISDN primary port provides the termination of the local distribution channel in the central office switch. Each port consists of a D channel for signaling and up to 23 B channels for transmission of voice and circuit switched data calls.
<b>B.</b>	<b>Local Distribution Channel</b> — A 1.544 Mbps two-way transmission path connecting a customer's premises with the port. The framing format for 1.544 Mbps transmission over the ISDN primary service local distribution channel is extended superframe as specified in TR-NWT-000499.
<b>C.</b>	<b>DID Capability</b> is furnished upon the condition that the customer must subscribe to and have adequate facilities to permit the use of service without injurious effect on general telephone service. 1. ISDN primary DID numbers will be provided only in blocks of 100 consecutive numbers (or fraction thereof) for the provision of DID.
<b>D.</b>	Customers may utilize alternate high capacity digital facilities that meet the specifications as determined by the Company in lieu of the ISDN Primary Facility specified herein. The applicable rules, regulations and rates from the appropriate Company Tariff will apply for the alternate high capacity digital facilities.

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<b>10.6.9 Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP)</b>	
<b>A.</b>	Monthly rates and S&E charges for the ISDN primary port, local distribution channel (including the interoffice channel, if required), and certain optional features are offered under the VTPP described herein and in Part A, Section 1. The VTPP monthly rates and S&E charges are payable over the following Optional Payment Periods (OPP) as selected by the customer.
1.	The OPPs for monthly rates are month-to-month, 36 months, and 60 months. The available OPPs for S&E charges are 36 or 60 months.
a.	An OPP may not be established only for S&E charges. The monthly rates for the ports and local distribution channels must also be included. (T)
b.	The total number of S&E charges in an OPP must not exceed the total number of ports and local distribution channels included in the OPP. (T)
c.	The OPP selected for S&E charges may not exceed the OPP established for monthly rates. (T)
2.	The S&E charges for an initial local distribution channel provided under a 36-month or 60-month OPP or on a 24- or 36-month Corporate Rewards Service Agreement reflect a 100% discount. (C)
3.	The S&E charge for a port provided under a 36-month or 60-month OPP or on a 24- or 36-month Corporate Rewards Service Agreement reflect a 100% discount. (C)
4.	The S&E charge for the following optional features provided under a 36-month or 60-month OPP or on a 24-or 36-month Corporate Rewards Service Agreement reflects a 100% discount. (C)
a.	Calling Line Identification with Name
b.	Two B Channel Transfer
c.	Redirecting Number
d.	Modified Redirecting Number
e.	Optional Feature Package
f.	Intercom Capability Package.
<b>B.</b>	Two-year payment plan customers may subscribe to three-year payment plan optional features. (N) (N)
<b>C.</b>	<b>Termination Liability</b> — If a customer terminates service or cancels an OPP before the expiration of a commitment period, the customer is subject to a termination liability charge. If a customer terminates service prior to a minimum service period, the minimum service period charges apply. (T)
1.	Termination charges applicable to ISDN primary service are dependent upon the payment plan selected by the customer (refer to Exhibit 10.6.9-1). (T)



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<b>D.</b>	When an ISDN primary VTPP customer served from a foreign exchange or foreign central office requests to have service provided from the customer's normal central office when facilities become available in the normal central office, termination liability charges for customers who have selected a 36-month or 60-month OPP will not apply as long as the quantity of ports and local distribution channels is maintained. The expiration date of the payment period will not change, except when the expiration date would be less than three months from the requested date for service from the normal central office; in this case, the expiration date will be extended to three months from the requested date for service from the normal central office.	(T)
<b>E.</b>	No additional mileage charges apply for the Local Distribution Channel for ISDN Primary Service when provided as part of a Corporate Rewards 2- or 3-year Service Agreement.	(N)
<b>F.</b>	Customers with an existing PRI payment plan may convert to a new payment plan without incurring termination liability charges provided the value of the new payment plan is equal to or greater than the remaining value of the existing payment plan.	(N)
<b>G.</b>	<b>Transfer of Service</b> will not be provided.	(T)

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<b>10.6.9 Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP)</b>		
<b>Exhibit 10.6.9-1 Termination Charges by Payment Period</b>		
<b>Payment Period</b>	<b>Termination Month</b>	<b>Termination Charges</b>
Month-to-Month	1-12	Minimum Service Period
36 Months	1-12	Minimum Service Period and the full S&E for any port, LDC, or optional feature provided with a 100% discount.
	13-36	Month to month rate minus the 36-month rate times the number of months in service.
60 Months	1-12	Minimum Service Period and the full S&E for any port, LDC, or optional feature provided with a 100% discount.
	13-36	Month to month rate minus the 36-month rate times the number of months in service.
	37-60	36-month rate minus the 60-month rate times the number of months in service.

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**10.7 Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Service**

10.7.4 Regulations	
E.	Transfer of Service will not be provided.
F.	Suspension of Service— Enhanced ISDN PRI hub service is not subject to temporary suspension of service.

10.7.5 Application of Rates and Charges	
A.	Appropriate usage charges, if any, apply to calls to the single number access of enhanced ISDN PRI hub service.
B.	The S&E charge for a port provided under a 36-month payment plan is at a 100% discount.
C.	Optional Features in the ISDN Primary section of the tariff can be used in conjunction with Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub service.

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10.7.6 Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP)	
A.	Monthly rates are offered under the VTPP described herein and in Part A, Section 1. The VTPP monthly rates are payable over the following Optional Payment Periods (OPP) as selected by the customer.
1.	The OPPs for monthly rates are month-to-month and 36 months.
B.	Service and Equipment Charges (S&Es) do not apply to establish an Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Port on a 36-month payment plan.
C.	Termination Liability—If a customer terminates service or cancels an OPP before the expiration of a commitment period, the customer is subject to a termination liability charge. If a customer terminates service prior to a minimum service period, the minimum service period charges apply.
1.	Termination charges applicable to enhanced ISDN PRI hub service are dependent upon the payment period selected by the customer (refer to Exhibit 10.7.6-1).
2.	Termination charges do not apply to ISDN PRI ports and channels upgraded to enhanced ISDN PRI hub service.
3.	Customers with an existing PRI payment plan may convert to a new payment plan without incurring termination liability charges provided the monetary value of the new payment is equal to or greater than the remaining value of the existing payment plan.

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<b>10.7.6 Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP)</b>		
<b>Exhibit 10.7.6-1 Termination Charges by Payment Period</b>		
<b>Payment Period</b>	<b>Termination Month</b>	<b>Termination Charges</b>
Month-to-Month	1-12	Minimum Service Period
36 Months	1-12	Minimum Service Period and the full S&E for any port or optional feature provided with a 100% discount
	13-36	Month-to-month rate minus the 36-month rate times the number of months in service

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**3. Digital Communications Services**  
**3.10 Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Services**

<b>3.10.3 Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Service</b>				
<b>ID</b>	<b>Service Category</b>	<b>Rate Element</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
	Enhanced ISDN PRI Hub Ports	Month-to-month option - S&E - Each	700.00	
		OPP month-to-month - Monthly	525.00	
		OPP 36 months - Monthly	495.00	

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