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Ms. Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
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Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect April 30, 2006, tariff material consisting of:

RI PUC No. 15

Part/Section	Revision of Page(s)	Original of Page(s)
D/1	30 through 31	N/A
M/4	22 and 22.1	N/A

This filing modifies the Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service (EDSS) Customer Service Management (CSM) tariff, which became effective on January 28, 2006.

EDSS CSM is a complement to the interstate CSM offering and was filed to provide for one of three Service Levels: Service Level 1 for Network View only; Service Level 2 for Network View and Reports only; and Service Level 3 for Network View, Reports and Reconfiguration. Although all three Service Levels of EDSS CSM can be maintained in an automated fashion on the interstate rings, the ability to reconfigure ports and circuits via Service Level 3 cannot be properly maintained on intrastate rings due to unforeseen technical issues in the provisioning process. Therefore, Verizon Rhode Island (Verizon RI) is proposing to withdraw the Service Level 3 option from its intrastate tariff.

Currently, no Rhode Island customers subscribe to EDSS CSM Service Level 3 on an intrastate basis. Verizon RI plans to re-file this option for the intrastate offering when all technical provisioning issues are resolved.

In addition, Paragraph 1.6.6.B regarding Termination Liability is being reinstated as it was inadvertently removed in the prior filing.

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,

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Attachments

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1. Advanced Data Services
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1.6.4 Regulations	
C. Continued	
f.	Service interruptions which continue due to the failure of the customer to authorize replacement of any element of special construction. The period during which no credit allowance will be made begins on the seventh day after the customer receives the Telephone Company's notification of the need for replacement and ends on the day after the Telephone Company receives the customer's authorization for replacement.
g.	Service interruptions during periods when the customer elects not to release the service for testing and/or repair.

1.6.5 Customer Service Management Optional Feature (CSM)	
A.	CSM provides a customer with real-time information about the operational status of the customer's EDSS network. Two (2) Service Levels of support are offered for CSM. Each Service Level provides different functionalities to which the customer may gain access. These functionalities are described following and include access to real-time information about the customer's EDSS network and the ability to generate reports. When ordering CSM, the customer must specify one of the following two Service Levels.
1.	Level 1 - provides a network view of real-time detection and reporting of network alarm conditions within the customer's EDSS network.
2.	Level 2 - provides the same capabilities described in Level 1 along with the ability for the customer to generate basic network performance reports for the customer's EDSS network. The customer may also request network performance reports that are customized to meet specific needs.

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1.6.5	Customer Service Management Optional Feature (CSM)	(D)
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B.	<p>Application of Rates and Charges - CSM rates and charges are set forth in Part M., Section 6, unless noted otherwise. CSM rates and charges apply in addition to any applicable EDSS rates and charges. Unless otherwise indicated below, CSM rates and charges apply regardless of the Service Level selected by the customer.</p>	(T)
1.	<p>Monthly Recurring Charges - A CSM Service Level monthly recurring charge applies for each EDSS ring provided with CSM.</p>	(D)
2.	<p>Nonrecurring Charges - Apply as follows:</p>	(D)
a.	<p>A Node Setup charge applies for each node that is equipped with CSM at the time that CSM is initially established on the ring.</p>	
b.	<p>An Add/Remove Node charge applies for each node that is subsequently added to, or removed from, a ring that has already been equipped to provide CSM.</p>	
c.	<p>An Initial CSM Setup charge applies for establishment of the customer's initial CSM database partition. The initial CSM database partition includes setup for up to six (6) users.</p>	
d.	<p>A Setup of Additional Users charge applies for the setup of up to six (6) additional users beyond those provided with the initial database setup when CSM is initially established on the ring.</p>	
e.	<p>A Setup of Additional Partition or Change in CSM Service Level charge applies for the setup of an additional CSM database partition created for the same customer or to change from one CSM service level to another (e.g., change Service Level 1 to Service Level 2). Each additional CSM database provides for the setup of up to six (6) additional users.</p>	(C)

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f.	A Consultation and Support charge applies for each thirty (30) minutes or fraction thereof that the customer requests Telephone Company consultation and support of its CSM network. This charge does not apply during initial setup of CSM on the ring.
C.	Terms and Conditions
1.	The customer must utilize Internet web access to connect customer-provided terminal equipment to the Telephone Company's CSM management system. Access to the Internet and any associated rates and charges are the responsibility of the customer. The customer is also responsible for obtaining communications software that is compatible with the software the Telephone Company utilizes to provide CSM. The Telephone Company will work with the customer to determine compatibility of communications software.
2.	CSM is provided only when the Telephone Company provides all nodes on the ring.
3.	Subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 1.6.5.D.4. following, CSM is provided coincident with the installation of the associated EDSS ring, or it may be added to an existing ring.
4.	CSM Service Level is provided under a term plan of 3 years, 5 years, or 7 years, as described following.
a.	The duration of the term plan for a CSM Service Level must be the same duration as the term plan for the EDSS nodes provided with CSM. At the expiration of a 3-, 5-, or 7-year term plan for CSM Service Levels, the customer has the option of extending CSM Service Level with a coterminous end date as described in Section 1.6.5.C.4.b. following.
b.	The expiration date of each CSM Service Level added subsequent to the initial installation must be coterminous to the expiration date of the associated EDSS service, provided that the addition is prior to the 21st month for a 3-year plan, prior to the 36th month for a 5-year plan, or prior to the 50th month for a 7-year plan. A CSM added after the aforementioned periods requires extension of the commitment period for the associated EDSS service in accordance with Section 1.6.5.A. preceding. Such extension results in the establishment of a new plan that includes both the EDSS and the CSM under the same plan with the same expiration date.

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5.	With Service Level 2 support, the customer may retrieve certain basic reports containing performance-monitoring information on its EDSS network, as designated and provided by the Telephone Company. Basic reports are available at no additional charge to the customer. The customer may also request that a report be customized to meet particular needs. Rates and charges for customized reports are provided on an Individual Case Basis (ICB). Reports are not provided with Level 1 support.
6.	CSM is subject to termination liability if CSM is removed prior to completion of the existing commitment period. The terms and conditions in Section 1.6.6. following, as applicable, apply to removal of CSM prior to completion of the existing commitment period.

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1.6.6 Termination Liability	
A.	Termination liability applies to EDSS service or an Optional Feature and is charged per rate element on all ports, nodes, mileage, high-speed interfaces and Optional Features, except month-to-month ports for which the one-month minimum service charge applies.
B.	Termination liability will apply when the customer cancels service prior to expiration of the selected term, unless the exception conditions described below are met. If the cancellation occurs within the first two years of the term, termination liability is equal to 100 percent of the monthly charges for the unexpired portion of the first two years of the term and 25 percent of the monthly charges for the remainder of the term. If the customer cancels after the first two years of service, then termination liability is equal to 25 percent of the monthly charges for the remainder of the term.
C.	EDSS service or an Optional Feature may be canceled without termination liability when cancellation of the service occurs within thirty (30) days of the effective date of a Telephone Company initiated rate increase of eight percent (8%) or more on any rate applicable to EDSS service.
D.	Termination liability will not apply on an EDSS service or Optional Feature if a customer changes to a longer term-commitment period, and the number of services or ports included in the new commitment period remains the same or increase.
E.	Termination liability will not apply to a customer upgrade (change to a higher capacity EDSS service) of an EDSS node or port, if all of the following conditions are met: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A new Telephone Company commitment period commences with the upgrade. 2. The new expiration date must extend beyond the discontinued plan date. 3. The new EDSS service is provided at the same customer and/or Telephone Company location(s) as the discontinued service plan. 4. Additional nodes and ports added at the time of the upgrade incur all applicable rates and charges.

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F.	Customer can move a node from one location to another location without incurring termination liability providing that all of the following conditions are met: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A new Telephone Company commitment period commences with the move. 2. The new expiration date extends beyond the discontinued plan date. 3. The customer accepts a temporary interruption of the existing service in order to establish the new service. 4. The new service is ordered at the same time as the service order for the disconnection of the old service.
G.	For EDSS with a commitment period which was extended under 1.6.7 following, termination liability is calculated as the difference between the monthly rates for the highest commitment period that could have been satisfied prior to disconnection of the service or cancellation of the plan and the monthly rates for the extended commitment period for the period of time the service was in effect. (T)
H.	Customers who wish to move or convert existing High Capacity services to an EDSS may do so without conversion charges (termination liability and installation charges) as long as the total capacity of service purchased by the customer does not decrease.

1.6.7 Extension of a Commitment Period	
A.	For EDSS, the customer also has the option, within sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date for the customer's commitment period, to extend the customer's expiring term plan to a plan with a longer commitment period. The commitment period selected for the extended plan must be longer than the commitment period of the expiring plan as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An expiring 3-Year Term may be extended to either a 5-Year or 7-Year Term Plan. ▪ An expiring 5-Year Term may be extended to a 7-Year Term Plan.
B.	Time-in-service credit on the expiring plan will be granted and applied towards the new extended plan. For example, an expiring 3-Year term plan will allow for 3 years of time-in-service credit towards a 5-Year or 7-Year extended plan.
C.	The discount percentage associated with the extended plan will apply effective with the first bill date following expiration of the commitment period for the existing plan and will continue through the remainder of the commitment period associated with the extended plan. No adjustment for the increased discount percentage associated with the extended plan will be made to the monthly rates already billed on the expiring plan.

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4. Rates and Charges
4.4 Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service

4.4.1 Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service						
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rates			
			Initial Installations		Subsequent Installations	
	EDSS Port – Non-Recurring Charges		Month-to-Month	Term Plans	Month-to-Month	Term Plans
		GigE12 at OC48 Node – First – NRC	767.00	N/A	1.00	1.00
		GigE12 at OC48 Node – Additional - NRC	327.00	N/A	.75	.75
		GigE12 at OC192 Node – First – NRC	767.00	N/A	1.00	1.00
		GigE12 at OC192 Node – Additional – NRC	327.00	N/A	.75	.75
		GigE24 at OC48 Node – First – NRC	767.00	N/A	1.00	1.00
		GigE24 at OC48 Node – Additional – NRC	327.00	N/A	.75	.75
		GigE24 at OC192 Node – First – NRC	767.00	N/A	1.00	1.00
		GigE24 at OC192 Node – Additional – NRC	327.00	N/A	.75	.75

4.4.2 Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service – Customer Service Management						
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rates			
			Monthly	3-Year	5-Year	7-Year
	EDSS CSM – Service Levels		N/A	250.00	250.00	250.00
		Level 1 - Monthly	N/A	450.00	450.00	450.00
		Level 2 - Monthly	N/A			

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ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rates			
			Monthly	3-Year	5-Year	7-Year
	EDSS CSM – Non-recurring charges	Node Setup – per node on the ring – NRC	N/A	200.00	200.00	200.00
		Initial CSM Setup – first – partition with up to 6 users – All Service Levels – Each – NRC	N/A	500.00	500.00	500.00
		Setup of Additional Partition or change in CSM Service Level – Each – NRC	N/A	500.00	500.00	500.00
		Setup of Additional Users up to 6 additional users – All Service Levels – Each – NRC	N/A	350.00	350.00	350.00
		Add/Remove Node, per node – NRC	N/A	200.00	200.00	200.00
		Consultation and Support each 30 minutes or fraction thereof	N/A	100.00	100.00	100.00

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