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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 October 2, 2006, tariff material consisting of:

#### RI PUC No. 15

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In this filing, Verizon Rhode Island ("Verizon RI") proposes the following revisions to the existing Enhanced Flexgrow® Service Tariff:

- Introduction of a five-year term payment plan.
- Introduction of a DID rate for customers with Enhanced FlexGrow.
- Reduction of the nonrecurring rate associated with the installation of a new Enhanced FlexGrow Service.

Verizon certifies that the rates for Enhanced FlexGrow Service offered with the enhancements detailed in this filing are not less than the Long-run Incremental Cost of providing the service.

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

**Verizon Rhode Island** 

# Revisions to Enhanced FlexGrow® Service September 1, 2006

### **Executive Overview**

#### **Objective**

The objective of this filing is to introduce three changes to Enhanced FlexGrow Service. The changes are as follows:

1. Introduction of a five-year-term option priced as follows:

Central Office Capacity of 24 Channels -	
OPP 60 Months – Monthly – Per System	\$120.00

2. Introduction of a DID rate for customers with Enhanced FlexGrow. The new rate is as follows:

Direct Inward Dialing Capability to PBX	
Trunks – Monthly – Per Trunk	\$18.00

3. Reduction of the nonrecurring charge associated with the installation of a new Enhanced FlexGrow Service from \$75.00 to \$1.00.

#### **Product Description**

Enhanced FlexGrow Service is an intraexchange multifunctional digital service that provides network access between a customer's premises and the local service central office on a channelized basis (DS0) within a single high capacity FlexGrow Trunk digital facility. FlexGrow is designed for medium and large business customers whose complex communications needs can best be served over traditional copper transport facilities.

### **Rationale for Filing**

Increased competition continues to place significant revenue at risk. Customers continue to seek integrated solutions that offer bundled services that include voice and data and are competitively priced.

These changes are designed to make it more attractive for customers to migrate from current services - *e.g.*, POTS, Centrex or PBX Trunks, to Enhanced FlexGrow Service and to retain FlexGrow Service customers.

Verizon certifies that the rates for Enhanced FlexGrow Service offered with the revisions detailed in this filing are not less than the Long-run Incremental Cost of providing the service.

### 6. FlexGrow® Service

## 6.2 Enhanced FlexGrow® Service

6.2.2	General
D.	The Telephone Company will, if necessary, further route private line or dedicated services within the same Local Access Transport Area (LATA) between the digital hubbing arrangement in the customer's serving central office and a suitable digital hubbing arrangement in a remote central office. At either the customer's serving central office or the remote central office, the private line or dedicated channels which are terminated in a digital hubbing arrangement can be electronically connected to compatible channels designated by the customer or authorized representative. Initial service activation is required for a DS1 facility. Additional activity subsequent to the initial installation is required on a DS0 basis if capacity is available.
E.	<b>Feature Packages</b> – Discounted billing arrangements are available for business customers who subscribe to one of the following feature packages for a minimum of one year.
1.	Package No. 1— Call Waiting, Call Forwarding and Call Waiting ID with Name
2.	Package No. 2— Call Waiting, Call Forwarding and Caller ID
3.	Package No. 3— Call Forwarding, Three-way Calling and Caller ID
4.	Package No. 4— Call Waiting, Three-way Calling and Call Waiting ID with Name
5.	Package No. 5— Call Waiting, Call Forwarding, Three-way Calling, and Caller ID
6.	Package No. 6— Call Waiting, Call Forwarding, Three-way Calling, and Call Waiting ID with Name
7.	All features are subject to their individual service regulations specified elsewhere in this tariff.
F.	Both the feature packages described above and the features that are offered to subscribers of Centrex Plus service, described in Part H, Section 5 of this tariff, are available to Enhanced FlexGrow customers.

6.2.3	Regulations
A.	Enhanced FlexGrow® Service is provided subject to the availability of facilities for a minimum service period of one year.
B.	Enhanced FlexGrow® Service is available on a digital basis at the network interface on the customer's premises.
C.	Enhanced FlexGrow® Service arrangements must have at least one DS0 channel activated. The total number channels activated by the customer may not at any time exceed the total Enhanced FlexGrow® Service capacity.
D.	Enhanced FlexGrow® Service must be channelized in a single equipment location on the customer's premises. Multiple customer locations must be served by one or more separate DS1 Enhanced FlexGrow System(s).
E.	Direct Inward Dialing capability is available on PBX trunks at the rates specified in Part M, Section 3 of this Tariff.
F.	Customers can elect one of four options at the time Enhanced FlexGrow is ordered. The service can be ordered (a) on a month-to-month basis, (b) under a two-year commitment, (c) under a three-year commitment, or (d) under a five-year commitment.

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# 6. FlexGrow® Service

## 6.2 Enhanced FlexGrow® Service

6.2.7	Variable Term Payment Plan
A.	The monthly rates for Enhanced FlexGrow are offered under the VTPP as 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 available OPPs for Enhanced FlexGrow are month-to-month, 24 months, 36 months, and 60 months.

6.2.8	Application of Rates and Charges
A.	Enhanced FlexGrow monthly rate includes the monthly rate for the business basic exchange service line and/or the Centrex Plus line.
1.	Usage rates apply as appropriate.
В.	Compatible optional features or optional Centrex Plus features which are not included herein are available at tariff rates specified within this tariff.

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# 3. Digital Communications Services

## 3.6 FlexGrow® Service

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ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC	
	Enhanced FlexGrow® Service	Service Activation – NRC – Per Initial DS1	1.00		
		Service Activation – NRC – Per Each additional DS1	25.00		
		Service Activation – NRC – Per Subsequent Installation DS0	25.00		
		Service Activation – NRC – Per System Rearrangement	200.00		
		Central Office Capacity of 24 Channels – OPP Month-to-Month – Per System	180.00		
		Central Office Capacity of 24 Channels – OPP 24 Months – Monthly – Per System	155.00		
		Central Office Capacity of 24 Channels – OPP 36 Months – Monthly – Per System	130.00		
		Central Office Capacity of 24 Channels – OPP 60 Months – Monthly – Per System	120.00		
		Analog Line/PBX Trunk/Centrex Plus - Monthly	3.75		
		Direct Inward Dialing Capability to PBX Trunks – Monthly – Per Trunk	18.00		
		Voice Grade Connectivity – Monthly – Per Channel	1.00		
		Intraoffice Channel – Monthly – Per Channel	7.00		
		Interoffice Channel – Monthly – Per Channel	12.00		