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Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
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Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect November 30, 2007, tariff material consisting of:

PUC RI No. 15

Part/Section	Revision of Pages	Original of Pages
A/5	22	N/A
A/9	1, 2 and 3	N/A
M/1	36	N/A

With this filing, Verizon Rhode Island (“Verizon RI”) proposes to grandfather the post-paid calling card product. On November 30, 2007, the post-paid calling card will be available only to existing post-paid calling card customers.

The post-paid calling card service has experienced significant decline in recent years. This decline is due to the proliferation of cell phones, as well as the availability of inexpensive pre-paid calling cards at such retail outlets as gas stations, supermarkets and discount stores.

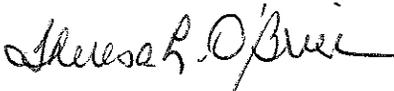
Verizon Select Services Inc (“Verizon Long Distance”) will continue to provide both pre-paid and post-paid calling card services for customers who wish to obtain such service.

This filing also amends the procedure by which disabled customers may reach directory assistance without charge. In the past, disabled users who registered their main telephone lines with Verizon were issued calling cards associated with the registered line so that they could access directory assistance without charge. With this change, a disabled user who is at a location where telephone service is not otherwise exempt from directory assistance charges may reach directory assistance without charge by dialing "0" and informing the operator that they are handicapped and require assistance.

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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Attachment

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**5. Exchange Service**  
**5.6 Directory Assistance Service**

<b>5.6.3 Exemptions</b>	
<b>A.</b>	Directly dialed calls to directory assistance are exempt from the directory assistance rates and regulations when placed from the following locations.
1.	A registered residential main telephone exchange line where a user because of a functional disability is unable to obtain telephone numbers from a directory; a registered business main telephone exchange line of a handicapped user where assistance is otherwise not available. A business or residence main telephone exchange line may be registered for exemption with the Telephone Company in those instances where one of the users of the line is considered to be functionally disabled. This includes but is not limited to the legally blind, or visually or physically handicapped as defined by The Federal Register, Volume 35 No. 126.
a.	In addition, handicapped users who have registered their main line and are at a location where telephone service is not otherwise exempt from directory assistance charges may reach directory assistance without a charge by dialing zero "0" and informing the operator that they are handicapped and require assistance.
2.	Qualified hospitals where telephones are provided in a majority of patients rooms (includes calls placed over toll access lines or toll terminals). A hospital is considered qualified if it is currently able to meet the registration requirements of the American Hospital Association; however, it is not necessary for the hospital to be so registered.
<b>B.</b>	Calls to directory assistance service requesting nondirectory listed or nonpublished service telephone numbers are exempt.
<b>C.</b>	Call to directory assistance service from a registered main telephone exchange line where a user's handicap prevents the dialing of a telephone in a conventional manner or permits only the dialing of "0" are exempt.
<b>D.</b>	S&E charges do not apply to a request for exemption.

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**9. Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)**  
**9.1 Description**

Rates and charges for services explained herein are contained in Part M Section 1.9.

<b>9.1.1 General</b>	
<b>A.</b>	This tariff applies to MTS furnished or made available by the Telephone Company over facilities, wholly within or partly within and partly without the State of Rhode Island, between two or more points within the State of Rhode Island where the respective rate centers of such points are also located in said state.
<b>B.</b>	MTS is that of furnishing facilities for telecommunication between local service areas in accordance with the regulations and system of charges specified herein.
<b>C.</b>	Service is available to and from customers of a miscellaneous common carrier with which arrangements have been made for the interchange of telecommunication traffic and is furnished through interconnecting equipment and connecting channels provided by the Telephone Company. The rates between the applicable wire telephone rate center and the rate center of the miscellaneous common carrier are the rates specified in this tariff for MTS. The rate center of the miscellaneous common carrier is the wire telephone rate center of the Telephone Company serving exchange. An additional charge that the miscellaneous common carrier bills to and collects from its customer is applicable to the remainder of the haul as specified in the tariffs of the miscellaneous common carrier.
<b>D.</b>	Except for Corrections Collect, which is offered on a customer dialed basis only, the following classes of calls are offered on both a customer dialed and operator dialed basis.
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Station-to-Station</li> <li>2. Calling Card (Limited to existing customers of record on or before November 30, 2007. Additions, rearrangements and moves of service are not permitted.)</li> <li>3. Collect or Bill to Third Number</li> <li>4. Person-to-Person</li> <li>5. Coin Paid Station-to-Station</li> </ol>

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<b>9.1.2 Customer Dialed Classes of Service</b>	
<b>A.</b>	<b>Station-to-Station Service</b> rates apply to a call that is dialed and completed by a customer without the assistance of an operator.
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The services of an operator are not used to complete such a call or to furnish any information or assistance relating to billing or charges for such a call, except for the following circumstances.                     <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. An operator will place a call for a calling party who identifies himself as being handicapped and unable to dial the call because of the handicap.</li> <li>b. An operator will record the originating telephone number where automatic recording equipment is not available to record the number.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

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**9. Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)**

**9.1 Description**

9.1.2 Customer Dialed Classes of Service	
A.1. (Continued)	
c.	An operator will re-establish a call that was interrupted after the called number was reached.
d.	An operator will reach the called telephone number where facilities are not available for customer dial completion.
2.	<b>IntraMunicipality Toll Calls Service</b> — With municipal calling service, customer dialed station-to-station service is allowed within a municipality without the application of MTS charges, except for calls originated by or terminating to a foreign exchange or foreign zone line which is supplied dial tone from a central office other than that which serves the address at which the foreign exchange or foreign zone line service is located.
B.	<b>Calling Card Service</b> rates apply to a call that is dialed by a customer in accordance with standard dialing instructions and billed to a calling card number. The services of an operator are not used to dial the called party, other than as excepted in Section 9.1.2A.. Calling Card Service is limited to existing customers of record on or before November 30, 2007. Additions, rearrangements and moves of service are not permitted.
C.	<b>Collect or Bill to Third Number Service</b> rates apply to a call which is dialed by the customer and billed to the called party or to a third number with operator assistance.
D.	<b>Collect or Bill to Third Number Mechanized Service</b> rates apply to a call which is dialed by the customer and billed to the called party or to a third number through interaction with a mechanized system.
E.	<b>Person-to-Person Service</b> rates apply to a call where the person originating the call dials the called number and specifies to the operator a particular person to be reached, a particular mobile station to be reached through a miscellaneous common carrier operator, or a particular station, department, or office to be reached through a Private Branch Exchange (PBX) attendant.
1.	If, after the telephone, miscellaneous common carrier mobile radio system, or PBX system called is reached, and while the connection remains established, the person originating the call requests, or agrees to talk to, any person other than the person specified, or to any other person or mobile unit to be reached through a miscellaneous common carrier operator, or to any other station, department, or office to be reached through a PBX attendant, the classification of the calls remains person-to-person.
2.	If it is necessary to employ a messenger or other means to bring the called party to a telephone, the call is classified as person-to-person and a charge applies for the exact amount expended, if any, for messenger service in addition to the charges for the message.
F.	<b>Coin Paid Station-to-Station Service</b> rates apply to a station-to-station call dialed by the customer where the money for the initial period is deposited in a PASL payphone.
G.	<b>Corrections Collect Call</b> rates apply to all station-to-station collect calls dialed by inmates at correctional facilities where the call is billed to the called party through interaction with a mechanized system.

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**9.1 Description**

<b>9.1.3 Operator Dialed Classes of Service</b>	
<b>A.</b>	<b>Station-to-Station Service</b> rates apply to a station-to-station call when the operator dials the called telephone number, other than as excepted in Section 9.1.2A, or to calls which involve a request for information relating to the billing or charges for a call.
<b>B.</b>	<b>Calling Card Service</b> rates apply to a call that is dialed by the operator and billed to a calling card. However, this class of service does not apply to the operator services specified in Section 9.1.2A when used with customer dialed calling card service. Calling Card Service is limited to existing customers of record on or before November 30, 2007. Additions, rearrangements and moves of service are not permitted.
<b>C.</b>	<b>Collect or Bill to Third Number Service</b> rates apply to a call which is dialed by the operator and billed to the called party or to a third number. However, this class of service does not apply for the operator services specified in Section 9.1.2A when used with customer dialed collect or bill to third number service.
<b>D.</b>	<p><b>Person-to-Person Service</b> rates apply to a call dialed by the operator where the person originating the call specifies to the operator a particular person to be reached, a particular mobile station to be reached through a miscellaneous common carrier operator, or a particular station, department, or office to be reached through a PBX attendant.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If, after the telephone, miscellaneous common carrier mobile radio system, or PBX system called is reached, and while the connection remains established, the person originating the call requests, or agrees to talk to, any person other than the person specified, or to any other person or mobile unit to be reached through a miscellaneous common carrier operator, or to any other station, department, or office to be reached through a PBX attendant, the classification of the calls remains person-to-person.</li> <li>2. If it is necessary to employ a messenger or other means to bring the called party to a telephone, the call is classified as person-to-person and a charge applies for the exact amount expended, if any, for messenger service in addition to the charges for the message.</li> <li>3. When a person originating a call wishes arrangements made in advance with a particular party or station for the establishment of a connection at a specified time (appointment call), the call is classified as operator dialed person-to-person.</li> </ol>
<b>E.</b>	<b>Coin Paid Station-to-Station Service</b> rates apply to a station-to-station call which is dialed by the operator where the money for the initial period is deposited in a PASL payphone coin box. However, this class of service does not apply for the operator services specified in Section 9.1.2A when used with customer dialed coin paid station-to-station service.

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**1. Exchange and Network Services**  
**1.9 Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)**

1.9.1 Message Telecommunications Service				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Residence	Initial and Overtime Periods - Day	.19	
		Initial and Overtime Periods - Evening	.12	
		Initial and Overtime Periods - Night	.055	
	Business	Per Message	.01	
		Tapered Schedule Per Minute Rate – First 0-600 minutes	.12	
		Tapered Schedule Per Minute Rate – Over 600 minutes – Per minute	.033	
	Customer Dialed Station-to-Station Sent Paid Coin Calls	Initial Period – Day – 0-11 Rate Airline Miles	.15	
		Initial Period – Day – 12 and Up Rate Airline Miles	.22	
		Overtime Period – Day – 0-11 Rate Airline Miles	.15	
		Overtime Period – Day – 12 and Up Rate Airline Miles	.22	
	Incremental Charges	Operator Dialed – Station to Station	2.50	
		Operator Dialed – Calling Card*	2.50	(N)
		Operator Dialed – Collect and Bill to Third Number	2.50	
		Operator Dialed – Person-to-Person	4.50	
		Customer Dialed – Calling Card*	.95	(N)
		Customer Dialed – Collect and Bill to Third Number	1.75	
		Corrections Collect Call	1.75	
		Customer Dialed – Collect and Bill to Third Number Mechanized	1.75	
		Customer Dialed – Person-to-Person	4.50	
		Customer Dialed – Coin-Paid Station-to-Station	.53	
		Operator Dialed – Coin-Paid Station-to-Station	.69	

\* Calling Card Service is limited to existing customers of record on or before November 30, 2007. (N)  
 Additions, rearrangements and moves of service are not permitted. (N)