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

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Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect December 1, 2008, tariff material consisting of:

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With this filing, Verizon Rhode Island (“Verizon RI”) proposes to eliminate the call allowance associated with Directory Assistance Service (“DA”) for residential customers. The call allowance currently consists of three (3) calls to local directory assistance per monthly billing period. With the effective date of this tariff, each call to local Directory Assistance for residential customers will be billed at the current DA rate of \$1.25. This change has no impact on the current exemptions for Directory Assistance Service. Those exemptions which are extended to customers who are visually impaired or physically disabled remain in effect.

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 pages. Please return a copy of this letter with your stamp of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa L. O'Brien

Attachments

Verizon New England Inc.

5. Exchange Service
5.6 Directory Assistance Service

5.6.1 Description	
A.	The Telephone Company furnishes directory assistance service to aid customers in determining telephone numbers.
B.	Rates apply to calls originated in Rhode Island that are placed to appropriate telephone numbers associated with the provision of directory assistance service for Rhode Island. Certain calls as described in Section 5.6.3 are exempt from the applicable rates.
C.	No more than two telephone numbers may be requested per call to directory assistance service.
D.	A call to directory assistance is considered completed whether or not the numbers requested are available from directory assistance records, or the information requested is normally provided by directory assistance, unless otherwise stated as an exemption in Section 5.6.3.

5.6.2 Reserved for Future Use	
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Verizon New England Inc.

1. Exchange and Network Services

1.5 Exchange Service

1.5.7 Directory Assistance Service				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Directory Assistance Service	Residence - Directly Dialed Directory Assistance Calls - Each	1.25	
		Business - Directly Dialed Directory Assistance Calls - Each	1.25	
		Residence - Calls to Directory Assistance via a Local or Message Telecommunications Service operator - Each	1.25	
		Business - Calls to Directory Assistance via a Local or Message Telecommunications Service operator - Each	1.25	

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1.5.8 Nynex Call Connect Service				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Nynex Call Connect	Each Call Dialed and Completed	.35	

1.5.9 Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Busy Line Verification	Each Request	2.50	
	Busy Line Interrupt	With Verification – Each request	3.75	

1.5.10 Business Link OCP				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Volume Discounts applied to Qualifying Usage	Tier 1 – Qualifying usage between \$10.00 to \$50.00	5%	
		Tier 2 – Qualifying usage between \$50.01 to \$500.00	8%	
		Tier 3 – Qualifying usage between \$500.01 to \$3,000.00	12%	
		Tier 4 – Qualifying usage over \$3,000.00	40%	