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

Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect April 6, 2013, tariff material consisting of:

PUC RI No.15

Part/Section	Revision of Pages	Original of Pages
TOC	9 and 62	N/A
A/5	24 and 25	N/A
M/1	22	N/A

With this filing, Verizon Rhode Island (“Verizon RI”) is proposing to withdraw the Operator Services Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt Services on April 6, 2013.

Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt (BLV/I) are services that indicate to a calling party whether or not a party they are attempting to call is involved in a conversation on the line when a busy line condition has been reached. If the calling party desires, the BLV/I will interrupt the other party’s conversation and ask that party to hang up so the calling party may call the other party. A BLV/I operator may then complete the call between the calling party and the called party.

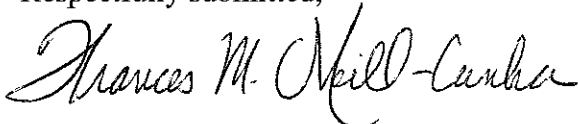
Demand for these services has declined dramatically in recent years. Customers now use a myriad of alternatives to reach another party including: Call Waiting, wireless call, voicemail message, text message, email, IM, and social media. Additionally, the growth of diverse providers,

servicing arrangements and technologies has exponentially increased the likelihood that BLV/I will not work.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frances M. O'Neill-Cunha". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Frances M. O'Neill-Cunha

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5. Exchange Service  
**5.8 Reserved For Future Use**

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Effective April 6, 2013, Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt Services are withdrawn from this tariff, and Verizon will no longer provide these services as of that date.

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5.8.1 Reserved For Future	
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5.8.2 Reserved for Future Use	
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5.8.3 Reserved for Future Use	
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<b>5.8.3 Reserved for Future Use</b>	
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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	
		Residence - Calls to Directory Assistance via a Local or Message Telecommunications Service operator - Each	1.25	

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 – Effective April 6, 2013, Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt Services are withdrawn from this tariff, and Verizon will no longer provide these services as of that date.				
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1.5.10 Reserved for Future Use				
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