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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 July 1, 2014, tariff material consisting of:

PUC RI No. 20

Section	Revision of Page(s)	Original of Page(s)
6	16 and 17	N/A
30	7	N/A

In this filing, Verizon RI is complying with the directives of the FCC's March 31, 2014 Order in WC Docket No. 10-90 and CC Docket No. 01-92 ("Order"). The Order was intended to clarify and correct several rules pertaining to the 2014 annual filing as well as future filings.

The attached tariff pages reflect the directives of the FCC's Order. In this third phase of implementation, Verizon RI is:

- Amending the description of Local End Office Switching to reflect that Local End Office Switching rates are differentiated based upon the directionality of the traffic carried over the Switched Access.

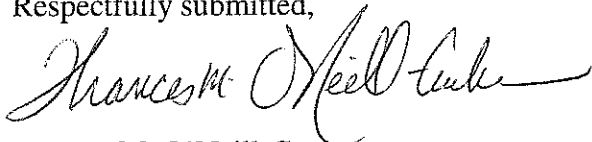
- Introducing a new rate element, the Composite Terminating End Office Charge (“CTEOC”).¹ This single rate element will replace both the terminating Local Switching rate and the terminating Shared End Office Trunk Ports rate. The CTEOC will apply in both the interstate and intrastate jurisdictions. The CTEOC rate reflects the reduction of the terminating switched access minute of use rates by 1/3 of the difference between the current rates and \$0.0007 for the states of Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York and Rhode Island as one region.² (The purpose of introducing the CTEOC, instead of reducing the existing rates for terminating Local Switching and Shared End Office Trunk Ports, is to provide a simpler rate which can more easily be compared to the rates of other carriers.)

The result of the changes detailed above will be a reduction in the terminating switched access minute of use by 1/3 of the difference between current rates and \$0.0007.

This filing also limits the application of the Dedicated End Office Trunk Port rate to originating traffic. The correct billing will be achieved through use of the Percent Originating Usage (“POU”) factor. This change will apply in both the interstate and intrastate jurisdictions.

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,



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Attachment

¹ Order, pages 4- 6 and rule 51.907(d)(2)(iii) on page 11.

² *Id.*, footnote 27.

6. Switched Access Service
6.2 Functional Components of Service

6.2.2 Local Switching	
A.	Local switching provides the functions necessary to complete the transmission of switched access communications to and from end users served by the local end office. The functions included are listed as follows.
1.	Local End Office Switching — The common switching functions associated with the various switched access feature groups. The rates are further differentiated based upon the directionality of the traffic carried over the Switched Access Service.
2.	Transport Termination — The line or trunk side arrangements which terminate the local transport facilities at end offices.
3.	Intercept — The termination of a call at a Telephone Company intercept operator or recording.
4.	Line Termination — The termination for the end user lines (common lines and WALs) terminating in the end office.
B.	WAL service terminations are differentiated by line side vs. trunk side terminations. The standard WAL service arrangement is available with a line side termination.
1.	There are various types of originating, terminating and two way line side terminations depending on the type of signaling associated with the WAL service (i.e., loop start or ground start). Line side terminations are available with either dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling.
2.	There are also various types of originating only or terminating only WAL service trunk side terminations that are available in lieu of standard line side terminations. Trunk side terminations are provided only in association with certain WAL service termination optional features.
C.	The local switching rate category includes usage rates and chargeable and non chargeable optional features. Application of these rates is set forth in Section 6.6.
D.	The Dedicated End Office Trunk Port provides for the termination of Direct Trunked Transport trunks at an end office. The Dedicated End Office Trunk Port rate, set forth in Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(B)(1), applies per activated trunk for all trunkside services terminating at either analog or digital end offices.*
E.	The Shared End Office Trunk Port provides for the termination of Tandem Switched Transport and/or FGA or CSL BSA access minutes at an end office. Access minutes for all Switched Access Service subject to the Shared End Office Trunk Port will be multiplied by the applicable originating or terminating per-minute rate set forth in Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(A).
F.	Transitional Per-Minute Charge
1.	A Transitional Per-Minute Charge will apply from July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013, to all Transitional Intrastate Access Service end-office switching minutes as defined in 47 C.F.R. 51.903(j). The charge will be calculated as set forth in 47 C.F.R. §51.907(b)(2)(v). The charge will be eliminated July 1, 2013.
G.	Composite Terminating End Office Charge (CTEOC) — The composite terminating end office charge applies to all terminating access minutes of use.

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* This rate applies to the portion associated with originating usage.

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6.2.3 Local Switching Common Switching Optional Features	
A.	Alternate Traffic Routing—End Office Alternate Routing When Ordered in Trunks provides an alternate routing arrangement for customers who order in trunks and have access for a particular feature group to an end office via two routes: one route via an access tandem and one direct route. The feature allows the customer's originating traffic from the end office to be offered first to the direct trunk group and then overflow to the access tandem group. It is provided in suitably equipped end offices and is available with FGB and FGD. It is not available with FGD provided from designated electromechanical end offices.
B.	Alternate Traffic Routing—Multiple Customer Premises provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office (or appropriately equipped access tandem) to a trunk group (the high usage group) to a customer designated premises until that group is fully loaded, and then delivering additional originating traffic (the overflowing traffic) from the same end office or access tandem to a different trunk group (the final group) to a second customer designated premises. The customer shall specify the last trunk CCS desired for the high usage group. It is provided in suitably equipped end office or access tandem switches and is available with FGB and FGD.
C.	Automatic Number Identification <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ANI provides the automatic transmission of a seven or ten digit number and information digits to the customer's premises for calls originating in the LATA, to identify the calling station. The ANI telephone number is the listed telephone number of the customer and is not the telephone number of the calling party. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The seven digit ANI telephone number is available with FGB. With this feature group, technical limitations may exist in Telephone Company switching facilities which require ANI to be provided only on a directly trunked basis. ANI will be transmitted on all calls except those originating from multiparty lines and public telephone service lines using FGB or when an ANI failure has occurred. b. The ten digit ANI telephone number is only available with FGD provided with multifrequency address signaling. The ten digit ANI telephone number consists of the Numbering Plan Area (NPA) plus the seven digit ANI telephone number. The ten digit ANI telephone number will be transmitted on all calls except those identified as multiparty line or ANI failure, in which case only the NPA will be transmitted (in addition to the information digit described below). 2. The ANI feature is an end office software function which is associated on a call by call basis with either of the following provisions. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. All individual transmission paths in a trunk group routed directly between an end office and a customer's premises, or b. Where technically feasible, with all individual transmission paths in a trunk group between an end office and an access tandem, and a trunk group between an access tandem and a customer's premises. 3. Where ANI cannot be provided, (e.g., on calls from four and eight party services), information digits will be provided to the customer. The information digits are available with FGB and FGD and identify the following. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Telephone number is the station billing number no special treatment required b. Multiparty line—telephone number is a four or eight party line and cannot be identified; number must be obtained via an operator or in some other manner c. ANI failure has occurred in the end office switch which prevents identification of calling telephone; number must be obtained by operator or in some other manner

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30. Rates and Charges
30.6 Switched Access

30.6.4 Local Switching				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	WAL Service Termination Optional Features	E&M Supervisory Signaling - NRC - Per 4W WAL	350.00	UGE
		E&M Supervisory Signaling - Monthly - Per 4W WAL	20.21	UGE
		Answer Supervision - NRC - Per 2W WAL	250.00	UGS2X
		Answer Supervision - Monthly - Per 2W WAL	14.46	UGS2X
	Carrier Identification Parameter	Monthly - Per trunk group	60.00	U7CPG
		NRC - Per trunk group	70.00	U7CPG
	Dedicated Ports	Dedicated End Office Trunk Port - Monthly	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(B)(1)	
	Shared End Office Trunk Port	Per access minute	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(A)	
	Transitional Per-Minute Charge	Transitional Per-Minute Charge (The Transitional Terminating Access Charge is applicable from July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013. This charge will be eliminated July 1, 2013.) Should we delete this	\$.000806	
	Composite Terminating End Office Charge	Composite Terminating End Office Charge (CTEOC) - Per MOU	0.003112	(N) (N) (N)

30.6.5 Tandem Switching Transport				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Tandem Switched Transport	Tandem Switching - Per MOU	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(B)(3)(c)	
		Tandem Transport - Fixed - Per MOU - Per Month	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(B)(1)(c)	
		Tandem Transport - Per Mile - Per MOU - Per Month	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(B)(2)(c)	
		Tandem Multiplexing - DS3 to DS1 - Per MOU	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(B)(4)(c)	
		Host/Remote-Fixed - Per MOU	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(B)(5)(c)	

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