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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 August 8, 2016, tariff material consisting of:

PUC RI No. 15

Part/Section	Revision of Page(s)	Original of Page(s)
A/5	3	N/A
A/7	5	N/A
A/9	1, 2, 3, 4, 9 and 19	N/A
M/1	36 and 37	N/A

PUC RI No. 22

Section	Revision of Page(s)	Original of Page(s)
6	1 and 2	N/A
10	6	N/A

With this filing, Verizon Rhode Island (“Verizon RI”) proposes to discontinue offering the following pay per use billing arrangements:

- Collect Calls (including station to station and corrections collect)
- Person-to-Person
- Third Number Billing

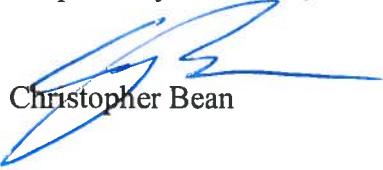
The proposed revisions to discontinue these billing arrangements are due to low market demand.

Additionally, administrative changes are required in PUC RI. No. 15 to incorporate supplemental information on:

- Part A, Section 9 –Page 9 Third Revision and Part A, Section 9 – Page 9, First Supplement to the Third Revision
- Part M, Section 1 - Page 36 Ninth Revision and Part M, Section 1 - Page 36, First Supplement to the Ninth Revision

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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5. Exchange Service
5.1 Basic Exchange Service

5.1.4 Reserved for Future Use

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5.1.6 Localities and Exchanges of Connection

A.	When an area which otherwise would constitute one exchange is divided by a state boundary, the additional exchange so formed is referred to as a Locality. The exchange that serves the locality is called the exchange of connection.
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7. Auxiliary Exchange Services
7.3 Remote Call Forwarding Service

Effective June 16, 2012, Remote Call Forwarding is no longer available to residential customers. Existing residential customers as of June 16, 2012, may retain the service at existing locations.

7.3.1 Description	
A.	Remote Call Forwarding service provides automatic forwarding of all incoming calls placed to a seven-digit Remote Call Forwarding number to a terminating telephone number in another exchange. This service is available only in exchanges served by suitably equipped electronic (ESS) central offices, to the extent that existing facilities are available.
1.	The terminating telephone service may be local exchange service, Dedicated Toll Free Service (DTFS), foreign exchange service or an additional number associated with distinctive ring service; it may not be PAL or PASL service.
B.	This service is furnished upon condition that the customer contract for adequate Remote Call Forwarding or terminating facilities to permit the use of the service without impairment, disruption or deterioration of the quality of other telephone services.
1.	If in the opinion of the Telephone Company additional Remote Call Forwarding service or terminating facilities are needed, the customer must subscribe to additional service or facilities. If the customer refuses to subscribe to adequate Remote Call Forwarding or terminating facilities, the Remote Call Forwarding service is subject to termination.
C.	The Telephone Company does not provide identification of the originating telephone number to the Remote Call Forwarding customer.
D.	No assurance can be given that transmission will be fully satisfactory during operation of Remote Call Forwarding service.

7.3.2 Application of Rates and Charges	
A.	Message Charges
1.	Between the calling party and the Remote Call Forwarding number the calling party is charged the appropriate message telecommunications service or local measured service rate.
2.	Between the Remote Call Forwarding number and the terminating telephone number the Remote Call Forwarding customer is charged the established directly dialed station-to-station message telecommunications service rate or the business local measured service rate for each call.
B.	In addition to the rates and charges for the terminating service and equipment, S&E charges and monthly rates apply.

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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.

9.1.1 General	
A.	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.	MTS is that of furnishing facilities for telecommunication between local service areas in accordance with the regulations and system of charges specified herein.
C.	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.
D.	The following classes of calls are offered on both a customer dialed and operator dialed basis.
1.	Station-to-Station
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4.	Coin Paid Station-to-Station

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9.1.2 Customer Dialed Classes of Service	
A.	Station-to-Station Service rates apply to a call that is dialed and completed by a customer without the assistance of an operator.
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.
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.
b.	An operator will record the originating telephone number where automatic recording equipment is not available to record the number.

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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.	IntraMunicipality Toll Calls Service — 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.
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D.	Coin Paid Station-to-Station Service 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.
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9. Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)
9.1 Description

9.1.3 Operator Dialed Classes of Service	
A.	Station-to-Station Service 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.
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D.	Coin Paid Station-to-Station Service 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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9. Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)

9.2 Responsibility of the Telephone Company

9.2.1 Collection of Charges		
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1.	Against or collected from the called telephone (i.e., charges may be reversed) if the charges are accepted at the called telephone.	(D)
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9. Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)

9.5 Rates and Charges

9.5.1	Description	
A.	Residence Service Initial Period Rates	
1.	For calls billed to residence service lines, the initial period rates for all classes of service are for connections of one minute or any fraction thereof.	
a.	For calls billed to residence service lines, the charge for the initial period is the initial period rate applicable for the time period in which the message connect time occurs.	
B.	Residence Service Incremental Charges — An incremental charge applies in addition to the appropriate initial period rate or per message charge for the customer dialed and operator dialed calls listed below. When more than one class of service is involved only the higher incremental charge is applicable.	
1.	Customer Dialed — Coin paid station-to-station.	(D)
2.	Operator Dialed — Station-to-station, and coin paid station-to-station.	(D)
C.	Residence Service Overtime Rates	
1.	The overtime rates for all classes of residence service are for each additional minute or fraction thereof that the telephone connection continues beyond the initial period. Overtime rates are the same for all classes of residence service and are governed by the rate period in which each additional minute begins.	
D.	Sent-Paid Coin — Customer dialed station-to-station sent paid calls originating from PASL payphones in the evening or night and weekend periods will be calculated by discounting the appropriate day rate by 35% and 60% respectively.	(S)(T)
1.	For sent-paid coin calls the initial period rates are for connections of one minute or any fraction thereof.	
a.	The charge for the initial period is the initial period rate applicable for the time period in which the message connect time occurs.	
E.	Adjustments when appropriate are applied by deducting minutes or seconds as applicable from the call termination time.	(S)(T)

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9. Message Telecommunications Service (MTS)

9.8 Reserved for Future Use

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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	.21	
		Initial and Overtime Periods - Evening	.14	
		Initial and Overtime Periods - Night	.07	
	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	3.75	
		Customer Dialed – Coin-Paid Station-to-Station	.53	
		Operator Dialed – Coin-Paid Station-to-Station	3.75	

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

1.9.2 Information Delivery Service (IDS) — Effective December 6, 2008, Information Delivery Service (IDS) is withdrawn from this tariff, and the Telephone Company will no longer provide this service as of that date.

1.9.3 Reserved for Future Use				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC

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10. Rates and Charges
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