

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held January 29, 2004

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Kate Racine, Commissioner Robert Holbrook, Steve Frias, Cindy Wilson, Thomas Massaro, Alan Nault, Douglas Hartley and Luly Massaro.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers:

The following companies registered to provide telecommunication service in RI. The Division has reviewed the registrations and recommends approval of:

2262(Z18) - Go Solo Technologies, Inc

2262(Y18) - Phonetec PCS, LLC

After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Racine moved to approve the registration. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The following companies filed tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the filings and does not recommend suspension of:

2618 - AT&T Communications of New England

3028 - Qwest Communications Corp.

2472 - Sprint Communications

2486 - MCImetro Access Transmission Service LLC

2262(P7) - MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.

2262(F16) - Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc.

After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

The following companies submitted notification that they have ceased or intent to cease operations in RI and requested that their authority to operate be cancelled and rescinded:

3324 - El Paso Networks, LLC

2262(B12) - Telecommunications Resources, Inc.

2262(U11) - Glyphics Communications, Inc.

After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Racine moved to rescind the authority to operate of the above companies. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Cancellation of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Services in RI:

"Regulations and Fee Schedules for Telecommunications Providers" sets forth annual assessment fees for telecommunications providers for costs incurred by the Commission and Division in docketing, investigation, and decision-making. These annual fees are due each July 1. Failure to comply with these regulations results in the revocation of

authority to operate in this state. The Division filed a recommendation that the authority to operate of the following telecommunication carriers be cancelled and rescinded for non-payment of annual registration fee:

3219 - Enron Broadband Services, Inc.
2664 - Atlas Communications, Ltd.
2792 - CCCRI, Inc.
3046 - FairPoint Communications Crop.
3122 - KMC Telecom V, Inc.
3267 - Lyxom, Inc.
2648 - North American Telecommunication Corp.
2926 - North Point Communications, Inc.
3256 - Vitreum Networks LLC
3282 - Alpha Tel-Com, Inc.
3236 - International Payphone Corp.
2262(15) - APCO Telecommunications, Inc.
2262(U1) - Atlas Communications Ltd.
2262(J13) - BCGI Communications Corp.
2262(V17) - Better World Telecom, Inc.
2262(S11) - Convergent Communications Services, Inc.
2262(C12) - Dial-Thru
2262(O5) - Discount Network Services, Inc.
2262(D17) - Econodial, LLC
2262(Y10) - Enhanced Communications Network, Inc.
2262(S14) - ESS.COM, LLC
2262(I3) - GST Net, Inc.
2262(I17) - Intelecall Communications, Inc.
2262(X1) - JD Services, Inc.
2262(A17) - Kiger Telephone & Telephony, LLC
2262(W13) - Natel, LLC
2262(U15) - Network US, Inc.
2262(F14) - NORSTAR Communications, Inc.
2262(A13) - NOW Communications, Inc.
2262(V15) - Power-Finder West Communications, LLC
2262(K15) - Quick Tel, Inc.
2262(L17) - Radiant Telecom, Inc.
2262(M6) - RSL Com Primecall, Inc.
2262(K16) - Sonix4U, Inc.
2262(A2) - Starlink Communications, LLC
2262(E16) - TalkNow, Inc.
2262(F6) - Telco Partners, Inc.
2262(V) - Telecarrier Services, Inc.
2262(Y9) - Teleglobe USA, Inc.
2262(H16) - Telgenius, Inc.
2262(V12) - TON Services, Inc.
2262(P12) - TransNet Connect, Inc.
2262(Q15) - TRICOM USA, Inc.
2262(H13) - UKI Communications, Inc.

2262(T13) - United Communications HUB, Inc.
2262(B10) - United States Telecommunications, Inc.
2262(Q17) - Vanilla, Inc.
2262(Q4) - Zenex Long Distance, Inc.

After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Racine moved to cancel and rescind the authority to operate of the above companies for non-payment of annual registration fee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Verizon RI Interconnection Agreements (ICAs):

The above ICA was submitted for approval. The Division has reviewed the ICA and recommends approval of:

3581 – Verizon RI ICA entered w/ Essex Acquisition Corp.

After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Racine moved to approve the ICA. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3256 & 3195 – Verizon Rhode Island: In these dockets the Commission's evaluates Verizon's wholesale performance provided to CLECs under the under the Performance Assurance Plan (PAP) and Carrier-to-Carriers Guidelines (C2C). The Commission discussed and deliberated on the following:

- 1) Dockets 3256 & 3195: *Joint Motion to Amend C2C Guidelines to Add New Metric for Directory Listings* entitled GE-3, Percent Accuracy White Pages Directory Listing executed between Verizon and Cox RI Telcom LLC (filing dated 12/17/03.) The parties further request that the Commission enter into a final order in Docket No. 3256 adopting the revised PAP filed by Verizon in February of 2003. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to approve the Joint Motion to Amend. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
- 2) Docket 3195: Verizon's revised C2C Guidelines reflecting changes made by the consensus among the parties in the New York proceeding (filing dated 12/12/03.) The revised guidelines contain three new measures that are not final and are pending final decision by the NYPSC. The new measures include BI-3-08 "% CLEC Billing Claims Credits Not Appearing on the Bill within 45 Days," OR-11-01 "Timeliness of Line Loss Report;" and OR-4-17 "% Billing Completion Notifiers Sent within Two (2) Business Days. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to adopt the revised guidelines as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3580 – Pascoag Utility District: After review, Commissioner Racine moved to approve Pascoag's request to implement a revised Standard Offer Service Rate, Transmission Charge and Transition Charge on an interim basis subject to modification and hearing

under RIGL 39-1-12. The interim rates are approved for effect February 1, 2004. Further, that the transmission charge reflects NYPA costs that are recorded and identifiable as transmission costs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.** *The approved interim rates are as follows: Standard Offer \$0.05619 per kWh, Transmission Charge \$0.00453 per kWh and Transition Charge \$0.01345.*

3546 – Pascoag Utility District: In this docket, the Commission authorized Pascoag to collect additional revenues in the amount \$163,039 and approved a new rate design. On January 9, 2004 Pascoag filed compliance tariffs. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to approve Pascoag's compliance rates for effect February 1, 2004. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

There being no further business to discuss, the open meeting adjourned at 10:20 A.M.