

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held April 23, 2013

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Mary Bray, Commissioner Paul Roberti, Cindy Wilson-Frias, Sharon Colby Camara and Alan Nault and Dilip Shah. Staff Amy D'Alessandro, Patricia Lucarelli, Nicholas Ucci and Luly Massaro were not present.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers

The following companies submitted tariff revision to their existing rates. The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and recommends that they be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

- 3611 – Trans National Communications International, Inc. (tariff filing 3/29/13)
- 2618 – AT&T Corporation (tariff filing 4/1/13)
- 2426 – Teleport Communications America, LLC (tariff filing 4/1/13)
- 3741 – PAETEC Communications (tariff filing 4/1/13)
- 3028 – Qwest Communications of Delaware (tariff filing 3/29/13)
- 2262(O2) – NOS Communications, Inc. (tariff filing 3/25/13)
- 2262(P2) – NOSVA Limited Partnership (tariff filing 3/25/13)
- 2262(Q2) – Affinity Network, Inc. (tariff filing 3/25/13)

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

4406 – Providence Water Supply Board (“PWSB”) – PWSB filed on March 29, 2013 proposed new rates designed to collect additional revenues of \$14,621,793 or 24.3% over current revenue levels. After review, Commissioner Bray to suspend the proposed rates for the purpose of investigation and conducting a hearing on the rate application. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

Vote 3-0.

4355 – Newport Water Division – The Commission reviewed the record regarding the April 2, 2013 Settlement Agreement executed among the parties, Newport Water Division, the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, and Portsmouth Water and Fire District. The Navy was not a party to the Settlement. After review, Commissioner Bray moved to approve the Settlement Agreement incorporating the Navy's maximum usage of 1,213,663 gallons of water on September 25, 2012 with the caveat that Newport Water continue to obtain daily reads of the Navy's meters so that Newport will have this information for its next rate filing. To the extent not all meters are equipped with the automated metering technology, Newport Water and the Navy are to cooperate such that the Navy is able to provide the daily reads for those meters to Newport Water. Commissioner Roberti suggested that Newport and the Navy should cooperate such that the Navy can work out an appropriate flushing schedule. Commissioner Roberti then seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 A.M.