

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held August 11, 2005

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Robert Holbrook, Cindy Wilson, Alan Nault, Douglas Hartley, Steven Frias and Donna Conway.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission.

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers:

The following company filed an application for authority to provide telecommunications service. The Division has reviewed the application and recommends approval of:
3688 – Gillette Global Network, Inc., d/b/a Eureka Networks

Chairman Germani moved to approve the Division's recommendation. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion. Vote 2-0.

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

2535 – Cox RI Telecom (tariff filed 7/21/05)
2472 – Sprint Communications (tariffs filed 7/25/05)
2736 – Conversent Communications of RI (tariffs filed 7/26/05)
2426 – TCG Rhode Island (tariffs filed 7/27/05)
2618 – AT&T Communications (tariffs filed 7/25/05)
2262(F16) – Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. (tariffs filed 7/22/05)
2262(G16) – NYNEX Long Distance, Inc. (tariffs filed 7/22/05)

Chairman Germani moved to follow the Division's recommendation. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion. Vote 2-0.

3687 – Verizon Rhode Island: Verizon's submitted a tariff filing to introduce Centrex Line Additive to the Corporate Rewards Optional Calling Plan for effect August 27, 2005. The Division has reviewed the filing and does not recommend suspension.

Commissioner Holbrook moved to follow the Division's recommendation. Chairman Germani seconded the motion. Vote 2-0.

3689 – Narragansett Electric Co.: Docket relating to Narragansett's SO rate adjustment filing proposed for effect on September 1, 2005. The docket is on the agenda in case any action is needed.

Commissioner Holbrook moved to suspend the filing. Chairman Germani seconded the motion. Vote 2-0.

3685 – Pascoag Utility District: Pascoag submitted a tariff advice request to amend the Commercial & Industrial Rate to add language that would allow Pascoag to bill at the highest demand recorded, when that level equals 15 kW or higher in any fifteen minute period. Attached is the Division memorandum summarizing its review and recommending approval of Pascoag's proposed tariff.

Commissioner Holbrook moved to accept the Division's recommendation. This change to Pascoag's tariff will allow it to collect demand charges from customers using the same methodology as is used in Narragansett's tariff under which Pascoag pays its demand charge. Chairman Germani seconded the motion. Vote 2-0.

3674 – Pawtucket Water Supply Board (PWSB): Review of the Town of Cumberland's Motion for Summary Disposition of PWSB's Request for a Cumberland Surcharge and the replies to the motion filed by the PWSB and Division.

Chairman Germani moved to deny the Motion for Summary Disposition. There are material issues of fact in dispute raised in the parties' memoranda which require a hearing on the merits. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion. Vote 2-0.

The open meeting adjourned at 2:15 P.M.