

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: PETITION OF VERIZON-RHODE ISLAND :
FOR ARBITRATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO :
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS WITH : DOCKET NO. 3588
COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS :
AND COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE :
PROVIDERS IN RHODE ISLAND TO IMPLEMENT :
THE TRIENNIAL REVIEW ORDER AND TRIENNIAL :
REVIEW REMAND ORDER :

SUPPLEMENTAL ARBITRATION DECISION

On November 23, 2005, Verizon-Rhode Island (“VZ-RI”) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) a motion for clarification of the Arbitration Decision regarding how competitive local exchange carriers (“CLECs”) may certify that a requested high capacity EEL satisfies the FCC’s service eligibility criteria. Specifically, VZ-RI requested that CLECs must utilize the electronic access service request (“ASR”) form in order to certify their EELs.¹ No party to this proceeding raised an objection to this motion.² The motion indicated that CLECs are currently required to use the electronic ASR form to place orders for new DS1 and DS3 loops, dedicated transport and high capacity EELs.³ On December 13, 2005, VZ-RI responded in a letter indicating that its motion does not require the use of an electronic ASR form for re-certification of existing EELs.⁴ Because the FCC did “not specify the form for such a self-certification”, VZ-RI’s request for the mandatory use of an electronic ASR form for new requests of EELs appears reasonable and should be granted.⁵

¹ VZ-RI’s Motion for Clarification

² Although not a party to this proceeding, Conversent noted that in Massachusetts, the ICA Amendments allow for CLECs to re-certify existing EELs by letter rather than by an ASR form.

³ VZ-RI’s Motion for Clarification.

⁴ VZ-RI’s letter of 12/13/05.

⁵ TRO para. 624.

Accordingly, it is

(18472) ORDERED:

1. Verizon-Rhode Island's Motion for Clarification is granted.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON DECEMBER 13,
2005.

Steven Frias, Arbitrator