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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 July 1, 2023, tariff material consisting of:

PUC RI No. 20

Section	Revision of Page(s)	Original of Page(s)
6	16	N/A
30	6 and 7.2	N/A

Verizon is issuing these tariff changes in compliance with the Order of the Federal Communications Commission in WC Docket No. 18-156, In the Matter of 8YY Access Charge Reform, FCC 20-143, released October 9, 2020. The proposed rate changes appear in Originating Toll Free (800 Data Base) and 800 Data Base Access Services query rates, and revised the footnote associated with Dedicated End Office Trunk Port to apply to Other than 800 data base access service originating traffic. All of these proposed changes adhere to the Step 3 (effective 7/1/2023) mandated rate levels outlined in 47 C.F.R § 51.907(i).

Additionally, administrative changes are required to incorporate supplemental information in Section 6, Page 16 – First Supplement to the Fourth Revision.

Sincerely,

Sr. Manager – State & Local Gov't Relations

Attachment

6. Switched Access Service
6.2 Functional Components of Service

6.2.2 Local Switching	
A.	Local switching provides the functions necessary to complete the transmission of switched access communications to and from end users served by the local end office. The functions included are listed as follows.
1.	Local End Office Switching — The common switching functions associated with the various switched access feature groups. The rates are further differentiated based upon the directionality of the traffic carried over the Switched Access Service.
2.	Transport Termination — The line or trunk side arrangements which terminate the local transport facilities at end offices.
3.	Intercept — The termination of a call at a Telephone Company intercept operator or recording.
4.	Line Termination — The termination for the end user lines (common lines and WALs**) terminating in the end office.
B.	WAL service**terminations are differentiated by line side vs. trunk side terminations. The standard WAL service** arrangement is available with a line side termination.
1.	There are various types of originating, terminating and two way line side terminations depending on the type of signaling associated with the WAL service** (i.e., loop start or ground start***). Line side terminations are available with either dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling..
2.	There are also various types of originating only or terminating only WAL service** trunk side terminations that are available in lieu of standard line side terminations. Trunk side terminations are provided only in association with certain WAL service** termination optional features.
C.	The local switching rate category includes usage rates and chargeable and non chargeable optional features. Application of these rates is set forth in Section 6.6.
D.	The Dedicated End Office Trunk Port provides for the termination of Direct Trunked Transport trunks at an end office. The Dedicated End Office Trunk Port rate, set forth in Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(B)(1), applies per activated trunk for all trunkside services terminating at either analog or digital end offices.*
E.	The Shared End Office Trunk Port provides for the termination of Tandem Switched Transport and/or FGA** or CSL BSA access minutes at an end office. Access minutes for all Switched Access Service subject to the Shared End Office Trunk Port will be multiplied by the applicable originating or terminating per-minute rate set forth in Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(A).
F.	Composite Terminating End Office Charge (CTEOC) — The composite terminating end office charge applies to all terminating access minutes of use.

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* Rate will only apply to the portion associated with originating usage, other than for 800 data base access service originating usage. (C)
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** Please refer to Section 16, for limitations on the availability of WATS Access Line (WAL) and Feature Group A (FGA).

*** Ground start may not be provided over fiber facilities and is only available where suitable facilities exist. (S)(T)

30. Rates and Charges
30.6 Switched Access

30.6.1	Reserved for Future
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30.6.2	Reserved for Future Use
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30.6.3 Local Transport–Other				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Networking Blocking	FGD - Per call blocked	0.004361	
	Installation	NRC - Per line or trunk	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(C)	
	Service Rearrangements	Digital to Digital - NRC - Per digital interface group rearranged	404.00	NRBOT
		SS7 Signaling Option Conversion - First Trunk Converted	117.05	NRBOA
		SS7 Signaling Option Conversion - Per Additional Trunk Converted	18.92	NRBOB
	Common Channel Signaling Access	STP Link Termination - NRC	238.96	
		STP Link Termination - Monthly	64.00	
		STP Link Transport - Fixed - Monthly	40.00	
		STP Link Transport - Per Mile - Monthly	1.60	
		STP Port - Monthly	450.00	

30.6.4 Local Switching				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Switched Access Service	Per originating access minute -800 database access service*	.000000*	
		Per originating access minute – Other than 800 database access service*	0.007967*	
		Per terminating access minute	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.2(A)	

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30.6.6 Dedicated Switched Transport				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	DS3	DS3 Entrance Facility – Monthly	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(A)(4)(b)	
		DS3 Entrance Facility – NRC		
		DS3 Direct Trunked Transport – Fixed	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(C)(1)(c)	
		DS3 Direct Trunked Transport – Per Mile		
		DS3 Multiplexing to DS1	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 31.6.1(E)(1)	
		DS3 Multiplexing to DS1 – NRC		
		DS3 Direct Trunked Transport, DS3/DS1 Multiplexing and Entrance Facility – Volume and Term Discounts	Please refer to Tariff FCC No. 11, Section 25.1.4	

30.6.7 800 Database Access Service				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Customer Identification Charge	Per Query	0.000200*	(R)
	Toll Free Number Translation	Per Query	0.000000*	
	Call Handling and Destination Feature	Per Query	0.000000*	

30.6.8 900 Access Service				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Service Establishment	NRC	3,422.00	N9ZEX
	Subsequent Order	Initial NXX Code - NRC	1,280.00	N9YEX
	Additional NXX Code	NRC	154.00	N9ZEX

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