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Ms. Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect May 6, 2004, tariff material consisting of:

**RI PUC No. 15**

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Also with this filing, Verizon RI is making a change to Direct Inward Dialing Service. The Company no longer requires the purchase of blocks of 100 DID numbers to be consecutive. Rather, the customer will now be able to order numbers in various sequences or no particular sequence.

Verizon certifies that the rates for Flexpath service provided via Clear Channel Capability or alternate high capacity digital facilities are not less than the Long-run Incremental Cost of providing the service.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Frances O'Neill-Cunha of my staff at 401 525-3560.

Enclosed are an original and nine copies of the tariff material. Please return a copy of this letter with your stamp of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

# **Verizon Rhode Island**

## **Tariff Filing Support for**

### **Additional Service Options for Flexpath Service**

**April 6, 2004**

#### **Service Description**

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The proposed tariff change permits Flexpath customers to choose Clear Channel Capability (B8ZS) rather than the line coding system that is provided under the current tariff. A line code is a digital signal format. B8ZS is a T-carrier line code that provides for system synchronization. B8ZS is the standard line coding used for ISDN PRI and other newer digital high capacity services. Customers who select this option have the capability of migrating to ISDN PRI and other potentially high capacity services that also use B8ZS. In addition, B8ZS does not require any channel bandwidth, thus the full 64 Kbps of each channel is available for customer use. ISDN PRI already provides the B8ZS option under the current tariff.

The provision of Clear Channel Capability does not result in additional costs to the Company and, as such, there are no associated rates with this option.

The option of using alternate high capacity digital facilities will provide Flexpath customers with the alternative of using such a facility in place of the DS1 transport facility provided under the current tariff. Alternate high capacity digital facilities allow the customer to put Flexpath services over SONET or DS3 transports.

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Verizon New England Inc.

**5. Digital PBX Services**  
**5.1 FLEXPATH®**

Rates and charges for services explained herein are contained in Part M, Section 3. Service charges referred to herein are explained in Part A, Section 3 and contained in Part M, Section 1.

5.1.1 Description	
<b>A.</b>	Flexpath, one of the Pathways family of digital services, provides a digital path from a suitably equipped central office to a customer's digital Private Branch Exchange (PBX), or to a Telephone Company's central office where the service is cross connected to Network Reconfiguration Service (NRS) allowing access to and from the exchange and toll network via exchange trunk lines, Dedicated Toll Free Service (DTFS) lines and other network access lines, including Direct Inward Dialing (DID) capability.
1.	DID permits incoming dialed calls from the network to reach a specific station line of a PBX or other customer premises equipment without the assistance of an attendant. The facilities for the service, which are located in the suitably equipped central office, transmit and receive digital signals to and from switching equipment located on the customer's premises.
a.	DID capability is furnished upon the condition that the customer must subscribe to and have available adequate facilities to permit the use of service without injurious effect on general telephone service.
<b>B.</b>	Flexpath is furnished subject to availability of facilities and only within a Local Access and Transport Area (LATA). Flexpath may be provided from the subscriber's normal central office, or from a foreign exchange or foreign central office or from a central office with NRS capabilities. Clear Channel Capability, which provides full bandwidth utilization, will be provided subject to the availability of facilities. The line code used to provide Clear Channel Capability is bipolar with 8 zero substitution (B8ZS).
<b>C.</b>	Flexpath is offered only on a measured service basis.
1.	No local usage allowance is provided.

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5.1.2 Service Components	
<b>A.</b>	<b>Digital Ports</b> provide and identify up to 24 trunk circuits on a Digital Transport Facility (DTF). A digital port furnishes a group of up to 24 trunk circuits. In this group, there can be DID and non DID exchange trunks, DTFS lines and other network access lines. The subscriber must initially indicate the number of these lines and their respective locations within each DTF channel.
<b>B.</b>	<b>Digital Transport Facility (DTF)</b> is a 1.544 Mbps transmission channel connecting a customer's premises with the serving wire center, which provides two-way transmission of digital signals for a capacity of up to 24 trunk connections.
<b>C.</b>	<b>Alternate High Capacity Digital Facilities</b> that meet the specifications as determined by the Company in lieu of the Flexpath Digital Transport Facility specified herein may be used by the Customer. The applicable rules, regulations and rates from the appropriate Company Tariff will apply for the alternate high capacity digital facilities.
<b>D.</b>	<b>Flexpath Service DID Telephone Numbers</b> are blocks of 100 telephone numbers (or fraction thereof) for provision of direct inward dialing.

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**1. Exchange and Network Services**  
**1.12 Other Services**

<b>1.12.3 Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service for Private Branch Exchange (PBX) Systems</b>				
<b>ID</b>	<b>Service Category</b>	<b>Rate Element</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
	DID	S&E – Per trunk equipped – First 10 trunks - Each	46.65	U
		Monthly – Per trunk equipped – First 10 trunks - Each	89.80	U
		S&E – Over 10 trunks - Per trunk equipped – Each	46.65	U
		Monthly – Over 10 trunks - Per trunk equipped – Each	44.90	U
		Monthly - Per 100 number group (or fraction thereof)	36.75	ND8
		S&E - Per 100 number group (or fraction thereof)	6.10	ND8

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<b>1.12.4 Automatic Identification of Outward Dialing (AIOD) Service for Private Branch Exchange Systems</b>				
<b>ID</b>	<b>Service Category</b>	<b>Rate Element</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
	Service Establishment	One Time Charge – Per PBX trunk group equipped for AIOD	233.20	
	AIOD	S&E – Per PBX trunk line equipped	26.80	NDQ
		Monthly – Per PBX trunk line equipped	35.00	NDQ

<b>1.12.5 Toll Access Trunk Lines for Private Branch Exchange Systems</b>				
<b>ID</b>	<b>Service Category</b>	<b>Rate Element</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
	Toll Access Trunk Line	S&E - Each	33.80	T86
		Monthly - Each	21.20	T86
	Excess Toll Access Trunk Line	S&E - Each	33.80	T87
		Monthly – Each	79.07	T87

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