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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 June 1, 2021, tariff material consisting of:

PUC RI No. 20

Section	Revision of Pages	Original of Pages
16	2	N/A

With this filing, Verizon Rhode Island (“Verizon RI”) proposes to withdraw the following services from the tariff in wire centers where Verizon continues to migrate its network to all fiber and retire its copper network. The RI PUC previously allowed the withdrawal of these same products in other wire centers where Verizon is migrating to an all fiber network.

- WATS Access Line (WAL)
- Feature Group A (FGA)

Verizon is working with the customers to find alternative services to meet the individual customer's needs. Listed below are some of the alternative services:

- Fiber-based voice services
- FiOS Internet Service
- Switched Ethernet Service
- Private Internet Protocol Service
- DS1 Service
- Machine-to-Machine Services through Verizon or Verizon Partner Program
- LTE

Verizon representatives will continue to work with each of the customers impacted to determine the best solution to meet their needs prior to service withdrawal. Verizon plans to notify the customers ninety and forty-five days prior to the withdrawal date via direct mail. Copies of the customer notifications are attached.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 857-415-5161.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Bean', is positioned below the text 'Respectfully submitted,'.

Christopher Bean

Attachment



Date

Business Name
Billing Address 1
Billing Address 2
City, State Zip

Re: Services To Be Withdrawn: Switched/Special Access and Intra-LATA DSO Services in Areas of Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Rhode Island

Dear Valued Customer,

Account Number: <BTN-Field2>
Circuit ID: <CKT_ID>

As previously communicated, Verizon is updating its network to next generation, all-fiber facilities, including wire centers listed on **Attachment 1**. Verizon will discontinue certain Intra-State Switched and Special Access private line DSO services as well as certain Intra-LATA DSO services in these wire centers on or after **June 1, 2021**, subject to regulatory approval where required. The state-specific names for these services are shown in the tables of **Attachment 2**.

According to our records, you currently subscribe to at least one of the services referenced above.

Verizon will provide you with subsequent notice at least 90 days in advance of the actual date that your services will be disconnected. You may have received disconnection notifications for segments of this circuit at other locations. If you have a point-to-point service, the segment with the earliest disconnection date will serve as the disconnection date for the entire point-to-point service.

Modifications in service offerings for customers with existing contracts are subject to the terms of their contract, including any tariff or product-guide provisions incorporated into the contract.

At this time, please review your applications that use these services and determine whether you wish to migrate those applications to an alternative Verizon product or to another provider. We are happy to work with you to find alternative solutions such as fiber-based voice services, FiOS Internet Services, Switched Ethernet Service or Private Internet Protocol Service, DS1 Service or VoIP Services including Business Digital Voice (BDV) or Virtual Communication Express (VCE).

We value your business and look forward to helping you realize the benefits that our advanced offerings can unlock for you. Should you have any questions or would like to discuss alternatives to the service being discontinued, please contact your Verizon Account Manager or call Customer Service at the toll-free number shown on your invoice.

Sincerely,

Verizon

Attachment 1

State	Wire Center
MA	ARLINGTON
MA	FITCHBURG
MA	FOXBORO
MA	MANSFIELD
MA	MARLBORO
MA	NATICK
MA	NORTHBORO
MA	SUDBURY
MA	WAKEFIELD
MA	WRENTHAM
NJ	TRENTON
NJ	VAN HISEVILLE
NJ	VILLAS
NJ	WEST OSBORNVILLE
NJ	WILLIAMSTOWN
NJ	FORT DIX (WRIGHTSTOWN)
NY	AMHERST
NY	FISHKILL EAST
NY	GLEN COVE
NY	LATHAM
NY	NEWBURGH
NY	NEWBURGH WEST
NY	PATCHOGUE
NY	POUGHKEEPSIE SPACKENKILL
NY	RONKONKOMA
NY	SPRING VALLEY
NY	SYRACUSE EAST GENESEE
NY	WAPPINGERS FALLS
RI	COVENTRY
RI	HOPE VALLEY
RI	PAWTUCKET
RI	WARWICK
RI	WEST WARWICK
RI	WOONSOCKET

Attachment 2

PRODUCTS BY STATE TO BE GRANDFATHERED/DISCONTINUED IN SELECT OFFICES				
PUC INTRALATA LOCAL TARIFF/PRODUCT GUIDE	MA	NJ	NY	RI
Channel Series 1000 (metallic/telegraph)	X	X		X
Channel Series 2000	X	X		X
Channel Series 3000	X	X		X
Channel Series 4000				
Channel Series 5000 (wideband)	X			
Channel Series 6000 (program audio/program transmission)	X	X		X
Channel Series 7000		X		
Channel Series 9000 (metallic local area data service)		X		
Channel Series 10000 (vg entrance facilities for 1000, 2000 or 3000)	X	X		X
Channel Series 11000 (metallic local area data)				
DOVPATH® Service	X			X
Data Phone Select-a-Station	X			
Digital Connect Service/Digital Service		X		
Digital Data Service-DDS/DIGITAL SERVICE		X		
DIGIPATH® Digital Service (DDS)	X		X	
DIGIPATH® Digital Service II (DDSII)	X		X	X
Foreign Central Office				X
Foreign Central Office-Residence	X			X
Foreign Central Office-Business	X			X
Foreign Central Office District Service		X		
Foreign Exchange Service				
Foreign Exchange-Business ^{1,2}	X	X	X	X
Foreign Exchange-Residence ^{1,2}	X	X	X	X
Foreign Zone Service				
Foreign Zone Service-Business				X
Foreign Zone Service-Residence				X
Leased Channel Services that include			X	
Facsimile, Group Channel Service			X	
Local Area Data Channels, Loudspeaker Paging, Mobile Radio Telephone			X	
Remote Metering, Indicating and Supervisory control, alarm or miscellaneous signalling			X	
Teletypewriter or other Printer communication and Telewriter			X	
Access Channels for Private Line Services 64 Kbps and below			X	
Channels for Data Communication, Data Transmission, or Data 3a/Data 4 Channels			X	
Loudspeaker Paging, and code calling communications , remote operations of mobile radio telephone			X	
Voice Channels for use with subscriber intercommunicating equipment			X	
Turret Lines			X	
Off Premise PBX Station Lines			X	
Private line services between 2 terminals for voice Communications, tie lines			X	
Voice Grade Data, Wire Pair, Control, and Telegraph Grade Facilities				
Metallic Service and/or Telegraph Grade				
Program Audio /Program Transmission and/or Channels for Program Transmission			X	
NYNEX Enterprise Fractional DS1 Service			X	
Secretarial Service/ Secretarial Answering Service/Secretarial Lines and Associated Answering Equipment		X		
Secretarial Concentrator Central Office Concentrator Service	X			
Secretarial Concentrator Identifier Service or Lines/ Concentrator Identifier Equipment	X			X
Select-A-Service/Select-A-Station		X		
Short Period Talking Service (Superseded)	X			
Short Period Telephone Service		X		
Superpath Fractional T1 Service	X			
Telemetry Alarm Bridging Service				
Special Services- Voice Grade/ Voice Grade Services (including to provide such services as private line, mobile radio, remote metering, select a station, off premise stations, tie lines, concentrator identifier line, private line data)				
ISDN Basic Rate Interface Service/ISDN Basic Exchange Service	X ⁵		X ⁵	X ⁵
Residential IntelliLinQ® BRI/ Individual Line Business IntelliLinQ® BRI Service		X ⁵		
ISDN Basic with Digital Centrex Service	X		X	X
Centrex IntelliLinQ® - Basic Rate Interface (BRI)		X		
ISDN BRI/ISDN Single Line				
CENTRANET®/DIGITAL (ISDN) CENTRANET® SERVICE				
Digital Electronic Telephone Set (DETS) with Basic ISDN Service			X ⁷	
Intellipath Digital Centex/Digital Centrex Plus Service Proprietary Telephone Set Programmable Features	X ⁷			X ⁷

Attachment 2 – continued

PRODUCTS BY STATE TO BE GRANDFATHERED/DISCONTINUED IN SELECT OFFICES				
PUC INTRALATA LOCAL TARIFF/PRODUCT GUIDE	MA	NJ	NY	RI
Digital Centrex with Business Set Programmable Features/ Enhanced Station Line				
CENTREX intelliling-BASIC RATE INTERFACE (BRI) SERVICE with Business Set				
Electronic Telephone Set with Centrex Digital Features		X ⁷		
Digital (ISDN) CentraNet® Multi-Button Key Set (MBKS) Basic/Deluxe/3000 Deluxe Package options				
CentraNet® with Business Proprietary Set; Electronic Key Telephone System (EKTS) Voice Feature of ISDN-Single Line				
WATS-Inward WATS Terminations (ESS Optional Services)		X ⁵		
Toll Free Service access line/Dedicated Inward WATS Toll Free Service Access Line				
Wide Area Telecommunications (WATS)/WATS Access Lines			X ⁵	
WATS Service				
Outward WATS/Outward WATS Access Line		X ⁵		
Switched 56 Kb service or Switched Data Service Sw 56 in PA and VA		X		
Switchway /Switchway Service	X		X	X
Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service (on analog trunks) ⁶				
Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service for Private Branch Exchange Systems (on analog trunks) ⁶	X			X
Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service for use with PBX Equipment (on analog trunks) ⁶			X	
P.B.X. Trunk Services with Direct Inward Dialing (DID) (on analog trunks) ⁶		X		
Digital Direct Inward Dial (on analog trunks) ⁶				
PUC IntraState Special Access	MA	NJ	NY	RI
DIGIPATH® Digital Service II (DDSII)	X			
Digital Data Service Special Access	X	X		
Fractional T1 Special Access	X			
Switched Access Feature Group A (FGA)	X	X	X	X
Lineside Basic Service Arrangement (BSA)				
Voice Grade Service	X			
Voice Grade Special Access		X	X	
Voice Grade Special Access Secure III + IV	X			
Voice Grade Special Access (Secure communications) I, II, III, IV		X	X	
WATS Access Line (WAL)	X			X
Wideband Digital Service or Wideband Digital Access Secure Communications I, II, III/ Wideband Digital Special Access Service	X	X	X	
¹ MD Customers - Series 2006A Foreign Exchange (FX) Channel Contiguous Flat Rate-Local (1LHBN) is exempt from this discontinuation				
² VA Customers - Series 2006A Foreign Exchange (FX) Contiguous NORVA Flat Rate (1LHU9) is exempt from this discontinuation.				
³ DE Residential ISDN BRI withdrawn July 20, 2013				
⁴ Service already discontinued in Vz North and VZ South				
⁵ Service already grandfathered VZ-wide				
⁶ Only impacts Direct Inward Dialing Service on analog trunks (i.e. Primary Rate ISDN and Flexpath are not impacted)				
⁷ Centrex multi-button key sets are also referred to as P-Phones or P-sets.				