

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)
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Section 63.71 Application of Verizon)
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For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)
the Communications Act of 1934, As)
Amended To Discontinue the Provision of) File No. _____
Service)
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**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF
VERIZON INCUMBENT LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES**

Verizon¹ submits this Application for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Section 63.71 of the Commission’s rules to discontinue offering Alert Transport Service throughout Verizon’s service territories under Verizon’s FCC Tariff No. 11. Verizon has not had any Alert Transport Service customers or requests for the service since at least January 2015. Given the lack of demand for this outdated offering, we plan to discontinue Alert Transport Service on or after February 26, 2018.

Consistent with Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission’s rules, Verizon provides the following information:

1. Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71 (a)(1), (b)(2)):

Verizon New York Inc.
140 West Street
New York, NY 10007

Verizon New England Inc.
6 Bowdoin Square, 9th Floor
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¹ The Verizon companies participating in this filing are the wholly-owned subsidiaries of Verizon Communications Inc. that offer Alert Transport Service, as listed in this application (collectively for the purposes of this filing, “Verizon”).

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuation (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

Subject to the Commission's authorization, on or after February 26, 2018, Verizon will discontinue Alert Transport Service.²

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), (b)(2)):

Subject to the Commission's authorization, Verizon will discontinue Alert Transport Service where Verizon offers the service in its service territory in the following states: Connecticut, New York, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(4), (b)(2)):

Alert Transport Service is an old, legacy service that provided for the passing of signals via dedicated links which are used to report alert messages (e.g., fire, burglary) from a customer's client's line when ordered for use in conjunction with Verizon's recently discontinued intrastate local exchange PULSENET Alert Transport Service.³ The dedicated links provide for two-way transmission from the telephone company host processor to the customer designated premises. The dedicated link is provided with transmission capability in the nominal frequency range of 300 to 3000 Hz. Alert Transport Service is further described in Verizon's FCC Tariff No. 11, section 22.

Alternative Services and Products: Customers today have already adopted other services to report alert messages, including Internet, VoIP or wireless applications, as evidenced by the fact that no customers have used or sought this service in almost three years.

5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71 (b)(3)):

Verizon has no Alert Transport Service customers and therefore no customer notices are required.

² Subject to the Commission's authorization, Verizon intends to file tariff revisions on 15 days' notice to discontinue the service.

³ PULSENET Alert Transport is an intrastate service that was discontinued effective September 1, 2017.

Verizon is sending copies of this Application by first class U.S. Mail to the governor and public utilities commission for each affected state as well as to the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer, as required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

6. Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

Verizon is classified for regulatory purposes under the Commission's rules as dominant with respect to Alert Transport Service.

CONCLUSION

Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Application.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 27th day of November, 2017, I caused to be served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following parties on the attached service list.

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