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November 20, 2008

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Verizon's¹ Section 63.71 Discontinuance Application

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Verizon hereby submits the enclosed Application for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules to discontinue Facilities Management Service in Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, and West Virginia. This service will be discontinued on or after February 18, 2009.

If you have any questions regarding this Application, please contact me at (703) 351-3179 or Richard Ellis, Director of Federal Regulatory Affairs at (202) 515-2534.

Sincerely,

Rashann Duvall

Attachment

- cc: Secretary of Defense, Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
- Public Utility Commissions in each affected state
- Office of the Governor in each affected state

¹ The Verizon Telephone Companies participating in this filing are Verizon Delaware LLC, Verizon Maryland Inc., Verizon New England Inc., Verizon New Jersey Inc., Verizon New York Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania Inc., Verizon Virginia Inc., Verizon Washington, D.C. Inc., Verizon West Virginia Inc. (collectively "Verizon").

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

In the Matter of)	
Section 63.71 Application of Verizon Delaware)	
LLC, Verizon Maryland Inc., Verizon New)	
England Inc., Verizon New Jersey Inc.,)	
Verizon New York Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania)	
Inc., Verizon Virginia Inc., Verizon Washington,)	
D.C. Inc. and Verizon West Virginia Inc.)	
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)	File no.
)	
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)	
the Communications Act of 1934,)	
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)	
)	

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF VERIZON DELAWARE LLC , VERIZON MARYLAND INC., VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC., VERIZON NEW YORK INC., VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC., VERIZON VIRGINIA INC., VERIZON WASHINGTON, D.C. INC. AND VERIZON WEST VIRGINIA INC.

Section 63.71 Application of Verizon Delaware LLC, Verizon Maryland Inc., Verizon New England Inc., Verizon New Jersey Inc., Verizon New York Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania Inc., Verizon Virginia Inc., Verizon Washington, D.C. Inc. and Verizon West Virginia Inc. (collectively "Verizon") hereby submit this Application for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules to discontinue Facilities Management Service (FMS).

As required by Sections 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, Verizon provides the following information:

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

Verizon Delaware LLC
901 Tatnall Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Verizon Maryland Inc.
1 East Pratt Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Verizon New England Inc.
185 Franklin Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Verizon New Jersey Inc.
540 Broad Street
Newark, New Jersey 07102

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

Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.
1717 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

Verizon Virginia Inc.
703 East Grace Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Verizon Washington, D.C. Inc.
2055 L Street, NW
5th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20036

Verizon West Virginia Inc.
1500 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E.
Charleston, West Virginia 25396

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

Subject to the Commission's authorization to discontinue service pursuant to Section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, on or after February 18, 2009: (1) new customers will not be able to sign up for FMS; and (2) existing FMS customers will not be able to add new Access Carrier Name Abbreviations to their existing FMS plan(s) or order FMS for LATAs in which they are not already subscribed to an FMS plan(s). Verizon will continue providing FMS to existing customers through the expiration of each customer's FMS term or, at the customer's request, through a twelve month extension of that term.

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

Verizon offers FMS throughout its service territory in Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Washington, D.C. and West Virginia and will discontinue FMS in all of those jurisdictions.

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

FMS is an access service that allows customers to pay for special and/or switched access transport capacity (channel terminations, channel mileage, and multiplexing) at discounted rates that are calculated on a DS0 equivalent basis. FMS includes facilities from a customer-designated point of presence or collocation site to the serving wire center of a customer-designated end user location, or to end offices and/or tandem switching offices within the same LATA. FMS also offers customers telephone company management of their FMS facilities. Verizon's remaining FMS customers currently do not use the telephone company facilities management aspect of FMS.

The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by this proposed service discontinuance. First, Verizon offers several tariffed switched and special access transport

capacity services that can be purchased on a month-to-month basis or under Verizon's generally available discount plans. Second, Verizon will continue to provide FMS to remaining customers through the expiration of their FMS term or, if the customer requests, through a twelve month extension of that term. Upon the expiration of the customer's FMS term or extension thereto, customers will be asked to convert to another special and/or switched access transport capacity service.

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

Notices were sent to the impacted customers via U.S. Mail on November 20, 2008. A copy of this notice is attached as Exhibit A.

Copies of this Application are being sent via first class U.S. Mail to the governor and public utilities commission for each affected state, and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, 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 considered dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

CONCLUSION

Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Application.

Respectfully submitted



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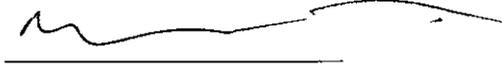
Counsel for Verizon

Michael Glover
Of Counsel

November 20, 2008

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 20th day of November 2008, I served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following on the attached list:



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CONNECTICUT

Department of Public Utility Control
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

The Honorable M. Jodi Rell
Office of the Governor
State Capitol
210 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

DELAWARE

Public Service Commission
Cannon Building
Suite 100
861 Silver Lake Boulevard
Dover, DA 19904

The Honorable Ruth Ann Minner
Office of the Governor
Tatnall Building
William Penn Street, 2nd Floor
Dover, DE 19901

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

District of Columbia Public Service
Commission
1333 H Street, NW
Suite 200, West Tower
Washington, DC 20005

The Honorable Adrian M. Fenty
Executive Office of the Mayor
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

MARYLAND

Maryland Public Service Commission
6 St. Paul Street
16th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21202-6806

The Honorable Martin O'Malley
Office of the Governor
State House
100 State Circle
Annapolis, MD 21401-1925

MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Telecommunications
And Cable
Sharon E. Gillett, Commissioner
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02110

The Honorable Deval Patrick
Office of the Governor
Room 360
Boston, MA 02133

NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities
Two Gateway Center
Newark, NJ 07102

The Honorable Jon Corzine
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 001
Trenton, NJ 08625

NEW YORK

Office of Consumer Service
3 Empire State Plaza
Alban, NY 12223-1350

The Honorable David A. Patterson
Office of the Governor
State Capitol
Albany, NY 12224

PENNSYLVANIA

Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

The Honorable Edward Rendell
Office of the Governor
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RHODE ISLAND

Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

The Honorable Donald Carcieri
Office of the Governor
222 State House
Providence, RI 02903-1196

VIRGINIA

State Corporation Commission
Division of Communications
P.O. Box 1197
Richmond, VA 23218

The Honorable Tim Kaine
Office of the Governor
Patrick Henry Building
1111 East Broad Street
3rd Floor
Richmond, VA 23219

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Public Service
Commission
201 Brooks Street
Charleston, WV 25301

The Honorable Joe Manchin III
Office of the Governor
1900 Kanawha Boulevard E.
Charleston, WV 25305

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Asst. for
Telecommunications
Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

November 20, 2008

Dear [Insert Customer Name],

As you were previously advised, and as part of efforts to focus on services that best meet the evolving needs of customers, Verizon Delaware LLC, Verizon Maryland Inc., Verizon New England Inc., Verizon New Jersey Inc., Verizon New York Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania Inc., Verizon Virginia Inc., Verizon Washington, D.C. Inc., and Verizon West Virginia Inc. (collectively "Verizon")¹, intend to discontinue Facilities Management Service (FMS) on or after February 18, 2009. Once discontinued, customers will not be able to add any Access Carrier Name Abbreviations (ACNAs) to existing FMS plans or order FMS services to expand FMS into LATAs in which the customer is not currently subscribed to an FMS plan under the applicable Tariff(s). However, customers may continue with FMS services for those ACNAs and LATAs which are currently subscribed to FMS under the applicable Tariff(s) until the expiration of their current FMS term and may request an extension for an additional twelve months. Individual circuits may be added, changed, or disconnected throughout the customer's current FMS term under the customer's existing ACNAs and within the customer's existing FMS LATAs.

FMS is offered in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia on an interstate basis, and will be discontinued in all such jurisdictions. FMS allows customers to pay for transport capacity used on a DS0 basis. FMS Services include facilities management from the primary premises (POP or Collo) to the SWC (Serving Wire Center) of the secondary premises (End User location only).

As you were previously advised, you may continue purchasing under FMS until expiration of your current term. Upon expiration of your current term you may continue under FMS for an additional 12 months (provided you notify Verizon of this extension at least 3 months prior to the expiration of your current term). After this point, all FMS services must be transitioned to a then in effect access plan for high capacity services (e.g. National Discount Plan, Commitment Discount Plan, Service Discount Plan, Term Pricing Plan, or Month to Month).

If you have any questions about alternative service options or want additional information regarding the discontinuance of this service, please contact a member of your Verizon account team.

Sincerely,

Sean Sullivan,
Director – Market Management – Special Access
Verizon Partner Solutions

Important Note:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, D.C. 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of Verizon Delaware LLC, Verizon Maryland Inc., Verizon New England Inc., Verizon New Jersey Inc., Verizon New York Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania Inc., Verizon Virginia Inc., Verizon Washington, D.C. Inc., and Verizon West Virginia Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

¹ See Attachment A for addresses of the impacted Verizon Operating Telephone Companies

EXHIBIT A

ATTACHMENT A

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