

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held July 13, 2007

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Robert Holbrook, Commissioner Mary Bray, Steve Frias, Thomas Massaro, Alan Nault, Douglas Hartley and Luly Massaro.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 11:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes of Open Meeting held on June 22, 2007: After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers

The following companies submitted tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and does not recommend suspension of:

2535 – Cox Rhode Island Telcom LLC (tariff filings 6/15, 6/18 & 6/29/07)

2618 – AT&T Communications of NE, Inc. (tariff filing 6/22/07)

2426 – TCG Rhode Island (tariff filing 6/28/07)

3028 – Qwest Communications Corp. (tariff filings 6/15/07)

3712 – New Horizons Communications Corp. (tariff filing 7/2/07)

3059 – Broadview Networks, Inc. (tariff filing 6/29/07)

2486 – Verizon Access Transmission Business (tariff filings 7/2/07)

2262(P7) – Verizon Business Services (tariff filings 7/2/07)

After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

3851 – Verizon Rhode Island – Verizon submitted a tariff filing to reduce by \$1.00 the monthly recurring reduction for Lifeline Telephone Service for unlimited basic exchange service effective July 20, 2007. The Division filed a memo indicating that it has reviewed Verizon's tariff filing and finds that it conforms to the requirements of Verizon's Successor Alternative Regulation Plan and Order No. 18550. After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve Verizon's tariff filing as submitted. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3852 – Verizon Rhode Island – Verizon submitted a tariff filing to introduce Unlimited Dial tone Line (DTL) Package for Business and Unlimited Custopak Packages for Business for effect July 23, 2007. The package will offer customers the ability to combine their voice, calling features and Verizon Broadband Internet for a discounted flat monthly fee. After review, Chairman Germani moved to accept the Division's recommendation that Verizon's tariff filing be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

Renewable Energy Resources Generation Units – The following entity submitted Renewable Energy Resource certification applications for the generation units listed below:

- 3836 – TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. for Generation Unit: McIndoes Station
- 3837 – TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. for Generation Unit: Vernon Station
- 3838 - TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. for Generation Unit: Lower Deerfield Station
- 3839 – TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. for Generation Unit: Deerfield Unit 5
- 3840 – TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. for Generation Unit: Sherman Station
- 3841 – TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. for Generation Unit: Searsburg Station

After review, Chairman Germani moved to certify the applicant’s generation units as existing Small Hydro Renewable Energy Resource. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3797 – Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC) – NBC submitted compliance tariff filing in conformance with PUC’s open meeting decision on June 22 granting additional revenues in the amount of \$2,621,492. The Division has reviewed the filing and verified that the rates and revenues are consistent with the PUC’s decision. After review, Commissioner Bray moved to approve NBC’s compliance filing as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 A.M.