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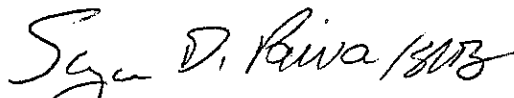
James J. McNulty, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
400 North Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Joint Petition of  
Verizon North Inc. and Granite Telecommunications, LLC  
for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement  
[Reference Docket No. A-311204 F7001]  
Dkt. No.

Dear Mr. McNulty:

Enclosed please find Amendment No. 2 to the Interconnection Agreement between Verizon North Inc. and Granite Telecommunications, LLC which Agreement was approved by the Commission by Order dated March 4, 2004 in Docket No. A-311204 F7001. This Amendment should be attached to and made part of the filed Agreement. The Amendment is effective as of December 29, 2009, and was signed by the second of the two parties' signers on January 6, 2010. Thus, this Filing is being made within 30 days of the day that the agreement was signed, as required by ordering Paragraph 5 of the Commission's May 3, 2004 Final Order in Docket No. M-00960799. As evidenced by the cc: below, notice of this filing is being provided to Granite Telecommunications, LLC.

Very truly yours,

  
Suzan D. Paiva

SDP/slb  
Enclosure

cc: Sam Kline, Granite Telecommunications, LLC

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**AMENDMENT**  
**TO**  
**INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS**

This Amendment ("Amendment") effective as of December 29, 2009 (the "Amendment Effective Date") amends each interconnection agreement in the Eligible Territory (as defined below) listed in Attachment 1 hereto between a Verizon incumbent local exchange carrier ("ILEC") affiliate (individually and, collectively, "Verizon" or the "Verizon Parties") and a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") affiliate of Granite Telecommunications, LLC (individually and, collectively, "Granite" or the "Granite Parties") (such interconnection agreements being referred to herein individually as an "Interconnection Agreement" and collectively as the "Interconnection Agreements"). Verizon and Granite are referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, Verizon and Granite are Parties to the Interconnection Agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, Granite has requested that the Parties amend the Agreement to address the matters set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **Amendment to Agreement.** The Agreement is amended to incorporate the terms and conditions set forth in this Amendment, all of which shall apply to and be a part of the Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Amended Agreement") notwithstanding any other term or condition of the Amended Agreement, a Verizon Tariff or a Verizon Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions ("SGAT").
  - 1.1 **Line Acquisition Incentive.** Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, if (a) the Agreement has not been amended by a "unitary rate" or similar amendment dealing with intercarrier compensation and (b) the number of Eligible Resale Lines in service under the Agreement in the Eligible Territory is greater than or equal to one thousand (1000) as of September 30, 2009, then:
    - 1.1.1 If the Amendment Effective Date is prior to January 1, 2010, then Verizon shall issue Granite a bill credit in the amount set forth below for each Winover Line meeting the criteria set forth below:

Month in which Winover Line is originally established	Date through which Granite must maintain such Winover Line in service without interruption from initial service establishment to receive a one-time bill credit	Amount of one-time bill credit (U.S. Dollars)	Date through which Granite must maintain such Winover Line in service without interruption from initial service establishment to receive a second one-time bill credit	Amount of second one-Time bill credit (U.S. Dollars)
January 2010	June 30, 2010	\$60.00	December 31, 2010	\$30.00
February 2010	July 31, 2010	\$30.00	January 31, 2011	\$30.00
March 2010	August 31, 2010	\$30.00	February 28, 2011	\$30.00
April 2010	September 30, 2010	\$30.00	March 31, 2011	\$30.00
May 2010	October 31, 2010	\$30.00	April 30, 2011	\$30.00
June 2010	November 30, 2010	\$30.00	May 31, 2011	\$30.00
July 2010	December 31, 2010	\$30.00	N/A	N/A
August 2010	January 31, 2011	\$30.00	N/A	N/A
September 2010	February 28, 2011	\$30.00	N/A	N/A
October 2010	March 31, 2011	\$30.00	N/A	N/A
November 2010	April 30, 2011	\$30.00	N/A	N/A
December 2010	May 31, 2011	\$30.00	N/A	N/A

1.1.2 For the avoidance of any doubt, (a) no Winover Line established between January 1, 2010 and June 30, 2010 shall be eligible for more than two monthly credits, (b) no Winover Line established between July 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010 shall be eligible for more than one monthly credit, and (c) under no circumstances shall Granite be eligible for any bill credit hereunder for lines migrated before January 1, 2010 or after December 31, 2010.

1.1.3 The list of ACNAs for Granite eligible for the foregoing credits are as set forth in Exhibit A to this Amendment.

## 2. Miscellaneous Provisions.

2.1 Conflict Between this Amendment and the Agreement. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and conditions of the Agreement to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and conditions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Amendment and the terms and conditions of the Agreement, this Amendment shall govern; provided, however, that the fact that a term or condition appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this Section 2.

2.2 Capitalization. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Amended Agreement.

2.3 Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

2.4 Captions. The Parties acknowledge that the captions in this Amendment have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and in no way define or limit the scope or substance of any term or condition of this Amendment.

- 2.5 Scope of Amendment. This Amendment shall amend, modify and revise the Agreement only to the extent set forth expressly in this Amendment and, except to the extent expressly set forth in this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect after the Amendment Effective Date. For the avoidance of any doubt, nothing in this Amendment shall be deemed to amend or extend the term of the Amended Agreement, or to affect the right of a Party to exercise any right of termination it may have under the Amended Agreement.
- 2.6 Joint Work Product. The Parties acknowledge that this Amendment is the joint work product of the Parties, that, for convenience, this Amendment has been drafted in final form by Verizon and that, accordingly, in the event of ambiguities in this Amendment, no inferences shall be drawn for or against either Party on the basis of authorship of this Amendment.
- 2.7 Amendments. No amendments or modifications shall be made to this Amendment unless in writing and signed by appropriate representatives of the Parties.
- 2.8 Waivers. A failure or delay of either Party to enforce any of the provisions of this Amendment, or any right or remedy available under this Amendment, or at law or in equity, or to require performance of any of the provisions of this Amendment, or to exercise any option that is provided under this Amendment, shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provisions, rights, remedies or options.
- 2.9 Definitions. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Agreement, this Amendment or any Verizon Tariff or SGAT, the following terms, as used in this Amendment, shall have the meanings set forth below:

2.9.1 Tariff.

2.9.1.1 Any applicable Federal or state tariff of a Party, as amended from time to time; or

2.9.1.2 Any standard agreement or other document, as amended from time to time, that sets forth the generally available terms, conditions and prices under which a Party offers a Service (and in the case of Interconnection Agreements in effect in the state of Delaware, including, without limitation, Verizon's Collocation Schedule as in effect from time to time).

The term "Tariff" does not include any Verizon Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT) which has been approved or is pending approval by a Commission (as defined in an Interconnection Agreement) pursuant to Section 252(f) of the Act.

2.9.2 Winover Line.

A line in the Eligible Territory for which Granite submits an installation order via LSR, containing complete and accurate field identifiers (as determined by Verizon), clearly specifying that Granite is porting a business end-user's existing working telephone number to a Granite Eligible Resale Line from (x) a facilities-based provider other than Verizon and its Affiliates or (y) a Verizon-provided UNE-loop. For the avoidance of any doubt, a "Winover Line" does not include any migration from (i) retail Telecommunications Services provided by Verizon or its Affiliates (including, for the avoidance of any doubt, services provided by Verizon Wireless), (ii) resale lines provided by a competitive local exchange carrier other than Granite nor (iii) resale lines provided by an Affiliate

of Granite. For the avoidance of any doubt, a "Winover Line" does not include any line serving residential end users.

2.9.3 Eligible Resale Line.

DSO resale lines that Granite obtains from Verizon that serve business end users over which Business POTS, Centrex, analog PBX trunks, or non-Centrex Basic Rate ISDN services are being provided. Eligible Resale Lines shall not include any other resale lines and, for the avoidance of any doubt, shall not include ISDN Primary Rate Interface ("ISDN PRI") services, DID numbers, Private Line services, Fast Packet services, remote call forwarding lines, Off-Premises Extension ("OPX") services, Public Pay services or Foreign Exchange ("FX") services. For the further avoidance of any doubt, Eligible Resale Lines do not include any resale lines that (a) serve residential end users or (b) Granite provides to a third party that does not use such line for its own consumption.

2.9.4 Eligible Territory.

The following: (a) the ILEC service territories of the following entities: Verizon Delaware Inc., Verizon Maryland Inc., Verizon New Jersey Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania Inc., Verizon Virginia Inc., Verizon Washington, DC Inc., Verizon West Virginia Inc., Verizon New England Inc., and Verizon New York Inc.; (b) the portion of the Verizon North Inc. ILEC service territories in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and (c) the portion of the Verizon South Inc. service territories in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

**[Signature Page Follows]**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed as of the Amendment Effective Date.

**THE GRANITE PARTIES**

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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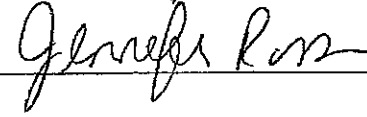
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**THE VERIZON PARTIES**

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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Title: Director Interconnection

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1/6/2010

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN Granite AND VERIZON  
IN EFFECT AS OF THE AMENDMENT EFFECTIVE DATE**

<b>Granite Legal Entity Name</b>	<b>Verizon Legal Entity Name</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Agreement Effective Date</b>	<b>Amd #</b>
Granite Telecommunications, LLC	Verizon New York Inc., d/b/a Verizon New York	CT	4/8/2004	2
Granite Telecommunications, LLC	Verizon Washington, DC Inc.	DC	12/18/2003	2
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon Delaware LLC, f/k/a Verizon Delaware Inc.	DE	5/7/2002	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts, f/k/a New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, d/b/a Bell Atlantic - Massachusetts	MA	5/7/2002	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon Maryland Inc., f/k/a Bell Atlantic - Maryland, Inc.	MD	1/5/2003	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon New Jersey Inc., f/k/a Bell Atlantic - New Jersey, Inc.	NJ	5/15/2002	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon New York Inc., f/k/a New York Telephone Company	NY	5/15/2002	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon Pennsylvania Inc., f/k/a Bell Atlantic - Pennsylvania, Inc.	PAe	5/15/2002	1
Granite Telecommunications, LLC	Verizon North Inc., f/k/a GTE North Incorporated	PAw	12/18/2003	2
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Rhode Island, f/k/a New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, d/b/a Bell Atlantic - Rhode Island	RI	5/31/2002	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon Virginia Inc., f/k/a Bell Atlantic - Virginia, Inc.	VAe	3/12/2003	1
Granite Telecommunications LLC	Verizon West Virginia Inc.	WV	12/9/2002	1



**EXHIBIT A**  
**GRANITE ACNAs SUBJECT TO THIS AMENDMENT**  
**GIM, GRTT**