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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Joint Application for Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Commercial Mobile Radio Services Interconnection Agreement between The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a CenturyLink and Celco Partnership LLC d/b/a Verizon Wireless - Docket No. A-2013-

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink") submits this Letter for Approval and Filing of the attached, executed, true and correct Amendment No. 2 to the Commercial Mobile Radio Services Agreement ("Amendment No. 2") between CenturyLink and Celco Partnership LLC d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon Wireless"). The attached Amendment No. 2 has been entered by the contracting parties in light of the FCC's ICC/USF Order, which became effective December 29, 2011.¹ This Amendment is the Second Amendment to this Agreement which was approved by the Commission by order entered March 31, 2011 under Docket No. A-2011-2221418 (First Amendment) and October 25, 2001 under Docket No. A-310489F7002 (Original Agreement).

A copy of this letter and Amendment are simultaneously served via first class mail upon persons listed as proper recipients of notices to and on behalf of Verizon Wireless. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sue Benedek".

Sue Benedek

ZEB/jh
Enclosures

cc: Lance Murphy (*on behalf of Verizon Wireless*)
Steve Dea (*on behalf of CenturyLink*)

¹ *In the Matter of Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, FCC Docket No. 01-92 (Order effective December 29, 2011).

**Amendment No. 2 to the CMRS Interconnection Agreement between
The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a CenturyLink
and
Verizon Wireless**

This Amendment ("Amendment") is to the CMRS Interconnection Agreement by and between The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink") and Cellco Partnership LLC d/b/a Verizon Wireless, on behalf of itself and its wireless affiliates operating in the State of Pennsylvania from time to time ("Verizon Wireless"). Verizon Wireless and CenturyLink are referenced together as the "Parties".

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties or their predecessors in interest entered into a CMRS Interconnection Agreement for service in the State of Pennsylvania dated May 1, 2001, that was approved by the Commission ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted a bill and keep compensation methodology for non-access telecommunications traffic exchanged between a LEC and a CMRS Provider in its Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in Docket No. 01-92, *In the Matter of Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, released on November 18, 2011 and its Order on Reconsideration released on December 23, 2011 (collectively, the "FCC Order"); and

WHEREAS, prior to July 1, 2012, Verizon Wireless has requested to amend the Agreement based on the FCC Order; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement based on the FCC Order with the terms and conditions contained herein.

AGREEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

Amendment Terms

The Agreement is hereby amended by adding terms, conditions, and rates as set forth in this Amendment and Attachment 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

By signature on this Amendment, the Parties have elected to modify existing contract terms of the Agreement in order to implement the applicable provisions of the above mentioned FCC Order.

Effective Date

The Parties agree to implement the provisions of this Amendment effective July 1, 2012.

Further Amendments

Except as modified herein, the provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. Except as provided in the Agreement, this Amendment may not be further amended or altered, and no waiver of any provision thereof shall be effective, except by written instrument executed by an authorized representative of both Parties.

Entire Agreement

Other than the publicly filed Agreement and its Amendments, CenturyLink and Verizon Wireless have no agreement or understanding, written or oral, relating to the terms and conditions for interconnection.

The Parties intending to be legally bound have executed this Amendment as of the Amendment Effective Date, which may be in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

**The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania
LLC d/b/a CenturyLink**



Signature



Signature

David R. Heverling

Name Printed/Typed

L. T. Christensen

Name Printed/Typed

Area Vice President – Network

Title

Director – Wholesale Contracts

Title

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Date

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Date

Attachment 1

Notwithstanding anything set forth in the Agreement to the contrary, the following terms and provisions shall govern the exchange of Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic, as defined in the FCC Order, between the Parties.

1. General.

- 1.1. "Bill and Keep" shall have the meaning set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 51.713.
- 1.2. "Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic" shall have the meaning set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 51.701(b) that is originated or terminated as wireless traffic by Verizon Wireless' end user or end users of other wireless carriers roaming on Verizon Wireless' network.
- 1.3. Verizon Wireless agrees that it will only route traffic from Verizon Wireless' wireless end users, or end users of other wireless carriers roaming on Verizon Wireless' network, to CenturyLink for termination to CenturyLink end users or as Transit Traffic destined for a third party. CenturyLink agrees that it will only route traffic from its own landline end users, or end users of local exchange carriers or CMRS providers with switches that subtend CenturyLink's Tandem Switch, to Verizon Wireless for termination to Verizon Wireless' own wireless end users.
- 1.4. All other terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment are as defined in the Agreement.

2. Inter-carrier Compensation.

- 2.1. Bill and Keep shall apply to the exchange of Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic, solely when such traffic terminates to the end users of one of the Parties, or end users of other wireless carriers roaming on Verizon Wireless' network. This compensation arrangement shall supersede any previous usage-based terminating charges of:
 - 2.1.1. End Office Switching, Tandem Switching and/or Common Transport charges; or
 - 2.1.2. Any "FCC Opt-In Compensation" or equivalent charges assessed in accordance with the interim rates previously prescribed pursuant to the *Order on Remand and Report and Order*, FCC 01-131, CC Dockets No. 96-98 and 99-68, adopted April 18, 2001 and subsequent orders of the FCC.
- 2.2. Notwithstanding anything in this Amendment or in the Agreement to the contrary, Bill and Keep shall not apply to CenturyLink's compensation for Transit Service. Transit Service shall be subject to the Transit Rate that existed prior to this Amendment, and any adjustment to reciprocal compensation rate element(s) that are assessed by a Party for terminating Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic pursuant to the Order shall not apply for purposes of calculating the rate(s) to be charged by CenturyLink for providing a Transit Service.

3. Tandem Management.

- 3.1. When Transit Traffic originated by a third party is routed through a CenturyLink Tandem to Verizon Wireless, and the third party is not legally obligated to compensate CenturyLink for the

Transit Service provided in transporting the traffic to Verizon Wireless as a result of paragraph 999 of the FCC Order, then Verizon Wireless will either:

3.1.1. Establish direct interconnection with such third party; or

3.1.2. Pay the Transit Service charges for such traffic at the Transit Traffic rate set forth in the Agreement.

4. Price Sheet Revisions

Description	State	
Reciprocal Compensation		
Local Traffic Termination- Per Minute of Use	Bill and Keep	PA
Transit Traffic Rate		
CMRS Originated Transit Service -Per Minute of Use	.004883	PA
Third Party Originated Transit Service (as described in Section 3.1 above) -Per Minute of Use	.004883	PA

5. Reservation of Rights. Notwithstanding anything in this Amendment or in the Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding the execution of this Amendment by the Parties, if as a result of any effective and unstayed decision, order, reconsideration or determination of any judicial or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction, any provisions in the FCC Order regarding the Bill-and-Keep arrangements for Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic are stayed, revised, modified, reversed or remanded, then the Parties agree to comply with all requirements of such applicable effective and unstayed decision, order, reconsideration or determination.