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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SEGRETARY'S BUREAU

RE: Joint Filing of
Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and
Buffalo – Lake Erie Wireless Systems Co., LLC
of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement
Docket No. <u>A - 3/1 321</u> F 7000

Dear Mr, McNulty:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of the Joint Filing of Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and Buffalo – Lake Erie Wireless Systems Co., LLC of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement. The Agreement being adopted is the Agreement between Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and AT&T Wireless Services Inc., which the Commission approved on February 21, 2001 at docket number A-310518. Although the Adoption is effective January 23, 2004, the Adoption letter was signed by the two parties' signers on March 4, 2004 and March 19, 2004 respectively.

Please date stamp the enclosed additional copy and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed UPS envelope.

Very truly yours

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Enclosure

cc: Brian Gelfand, President, Buffalo – Lake Erie Wireless (Via UPS) Attached Service List

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ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

JOINT PETITION OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC. AND BUFFALO-LAKE ERIE WIRELESS SYSTEMS CO., LLC FOR APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 252(1) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

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JOINT FILING OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC. AND BUFFALO - LAKE ERIE WIRELESS SYSTEMS CO., L.L.C. OF ADOPTION OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 252(i) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

PUC Docket No. <u>A - 3/1</u>321 F 7000

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<u>JOINT FILING</u>

Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. ("Verizon") and Buffalo - Lake Erie Wireless Systems Co., L.L.C.

("BLEWS") respectfully submit to the Commission, pursuant to Section 252(i) of the

Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "1996 Act")¹, the attached adoption letter dated as of

January 23, 2004 (the "Adoption"). The Adoption provides for the continued interconnection of the

two companies' networks, thereby facilitating BLEWS' provision of Narrowband Commercial Mobile

Radio Service ("NCMRS") to both residential and business customers in Pennsylvania.

THE PARTIES

1. Verizon is an incumbent local exchange carrier authorized to provide local exchange telephone service in Pennsylvania.

2. BLEWS is a telecommunications company that has been granted authority by the Federal Communications Commission to provide NCMRS service in Pennsylvania.

THE ADOPTION

3. BLEWS has exercised its right under Section 252(i) of the 1996 Act to opt into the Verizon/AT&T Wireless Services Inc. Interconnection Agreement which the Commission approved on February 21, 2001 in Case No. A-310518. Under the Adoption, BLEWS has agreed that it will be

¹Citations herein to the 1996 Act should be construed as references to sections of the Communications Act of 1934 as amended by the 1996 Act.



bound by the terms of the Verizon/ AT&T Wireless Services Inc. Interconnection Agreement as such agreement is in effect on the date hereof after giving effect to operation of law.

4. The Adoption sets forth the terms, conditions and prices under which Verizon and BLEWS will offer and provide network interconnection, call transport and termination, and ancillary network services to each other within each Local Access and Transport Area ("LATA") in which they both operate within Pennsylvania.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE 1996 ACT

5. If the Commission determines that it wishes to (or must) review the Adoption under the 1996 Act or otherwise, it is the parties' view that the Adoption satisfies the requirements for Commission approval (to the extent that they would apply) pursuant to Section 252(e)(2)(A) of the 1996 Act, which provides as follows:

The State commission may only reject ... an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by negotiation under subsection (a) if it finds that--

(i) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or

(ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity[.]

6. First, the Adoption does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, as required by Section 252(e)(2)(a)(i). To the contrary, any other NCMRS provider authorized to provide BLEWS services in Pennsylvania may obtain the interconnection, unbundling and resale arrangements specified in the Agreement on the same terms and conditions. Nonetheless, other carriers are not bound by the terms of such interconnection agreement and remain free to negotiate with Verizon pursuant to Section 252 of the 1996 Act.

7. Second, the Adoption is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, as required by Section 252(e)(2)(a)(ii). It will permit BLEWS to receive Verizon transport and termination, which should benefit BLEWS customers.

APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT

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8. Verizon and BLEWS respectfully request that, if the Commission chooses to review the Adoption, it expedite such review to facilitate implementation of competition in the local exchange market. Although under Section 252(e)(4) of the 1996 Act, the Commission has 90 days to approve or reject the Agreement, Verizon and BLEWS request that the Commission act sooner than that date if at all possible, if it chooses to review the Adoption.

WHEREFORE, Verizon and BLEWS respectfully submit the attached Adoption

pursuant to Section 252(i) of the 1996 Act.

Of Counsel Jack H. White Respectfully submitted,

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DATED: March 12,2004

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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

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CONTRACTOR OF PENNSYLVANIA

DATE: April 23, 2004

SUBJECT: A-311321F7000

TO: Office of Special Assistants

FROM: James J. McNulty, Secretary KB

JOINT PETITION OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC. AND BUFFALO-LAKE ERIE WIRELESS SYSTEMS CO., LLC FOR APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 252(i) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

Attached is a copy of a Joint Petition for Approval of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement filed in connection with the above-docketed proceeding.

Enclosed is a copy of the notice that we provided to the Pennsylvania Bulletin to be published on May 8, 2004 Comments are due on or before 10 days after the publication of this notice.

This matter is assigned to your Office for appropriate action.

Attachment

cc: Bureau of Fixed Utility Services Office of Administrative Law Judge-copy of memo only

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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED

Joint Petition of Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and Buffalo-Lake Erie Wireless Systems Co., LLC for Approval of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement Under Section 252(i) of The Telecommunications Act of 1996. Docket Number: A-311321F7000.

Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and Buffalo-Lake Erie Wireless Systems Co., LLC, by its counsel, filed on April 19, 2004, at the Public Utility Commission, a Joint Petition for approval of an Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Interested parties may file comments concerning the petition and agreement with the Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P. O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265. All such Comments are due on or before 10 days after the date of publication of this notice. Copies of the Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and Buffalo-Lake Erie Wireless Systems Co., LLC Joint Petition are on file with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and are available for public inspection.

Contact person is Cheryl Walker Davis, Director, Office of Special Assistants, (717) 787-1827.

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Dear Mr. McNulty:

Pursuant to the Public Utility Commission's Order entered on June 25, 2004 the parties in the above-referenced matter were directed to notify the Commission whether a true and correct ' copy of the Agreement had been filed. Please be advised that the true and correct copy of the letter of adoption is the letter of adoption which the parties filed on April 19, 2004 and which, along with the underlying Agreement being adopted, was the subject of the Commission's Order dated June 25, 2004. In addition, enclosed please find an electronic copy of the letter of adoption, in .pdf format.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours.

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Encl: Diskette

cc: Brian Galfand, President, Buffalo – Lake Erie Wireless (w/out diskette)

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