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PARTY/COMPLAINANT: VERIZON NORTH, INC.

RESPONDENT/APPLICANT: SOUTHWESTERN BELL MOBILE SYSTEM

COMP/APP COUNTY:

UTILITY CODE: 311275

ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

JOINT PETITION OF VERIZON NORTH INC. AND SOUTHWESTERN BELL MOBILE SYSTEMS, LLC D/B/A CINGULAR WIRELESS FOR APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT UNDER SECTIONS 252(I) AND 252(E) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

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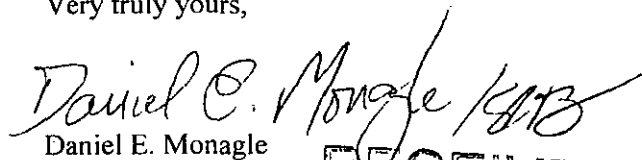
RE: Joint Filing of Verizon North Inc. and
Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC, d/b/a Cingular Wireless
of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement
Dkt. No. _____ A-311275 F7001

Dear Mr. McNulty:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of the Joint Filing of Verizon North Inc. and Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC, d/b/a Cingular Wireless of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement. The Agreement being adopted is the Agreement between Verizon North Inc. and Nextel Communications of the Mid-Atlantic, Inc. This filing also includes Amendment No. 1 between Verizon North Inc. and Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC, d/b/a Cingular Wireless.

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

Very truly yours,


Daniel E. Monagle

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cc: Susan Riley (Via UPS Overnight)
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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

**JOINT FILING OF VERIZON NORTH INC. AND)
SOUTHWESTERN BELL MOBILE SYSTEMS LLC DBA)
CINGULAR WIRELESS FULL NAME OF ADOPTION)
OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER)
SECTION 252(i) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS)
ACT OF 1996)**

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JOINT FILING

Verizon North Inc. ("Verizon North") Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems LLC dba Cingular Wireless ("SBMS") 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 September 16, 2003 (the "Adoption"). The Adoption provides for the continued interconnection of the two companies' networks, thereby facilitating SBMS provision of Narrowband Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("NCMRS") to both residential and business customers in Pennsylvania.

THE PARTIES

1. Verizon North is an incumbent local exchange carrier authorized to provide local exchange telephone service in Pennsylvania.
2. SBMS is a telecommunications company that has been granted authority by the Federal Communications Commission to provide NCMRS service in Pennsylvania.

THE ADOPTION

3. SBMS has exercised its right under Section 252(i) of the 1996 Act to opt into the Verizon North/Nextel Communications of the Mid-Atlantic, Inc. ("Nextel") Interconnection

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.

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Agreement which the Commission approved on March 29, 1999 in Case No. A-310545. Under the Adoption, SBMS has agreed that it will be bound by the terms of the Verizon North/Nextel 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 North and SBMS 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 SBMS 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 North 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 SBMS to receive Verizon North transport and termination, which should benefit SBMS customers.

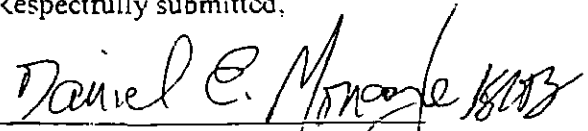
APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT

8. Verizon North and SBMS 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 North and SBMS request that the Commission act sooner than that date if at all possible, if it chooses to review the Adoption.

WHEREFORE, Verizon North and SBMS respectfully submit the attached

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

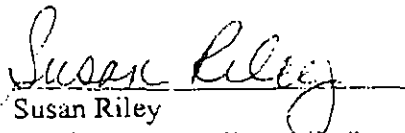
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DATED: October ²¹/₁₇, 2003

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TO: Office of Special Assistants

FROM: James J. McNulty, Secretary *KB*

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Attached is a copy of a Joint Petition for Approval of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement and Amendment No. 1 to the 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 November 8, 2003. 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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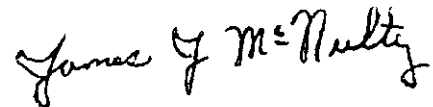
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Docket Number: A-311275 F7001.

Verizon North Inc. and Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC, d/b/a Cingular Wireless, by its counsel, filed on October 21, 2003, at the Public Utility Commission, a Joint Petition for approval of Adoption of an Interconnection Agreement and Amendment No. 1 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 North Inc. and Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC, d/b/a Cingular Wireless 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.

BY THE COMMISSION



James J. McNulty
Secretary

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