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PARTY/COMPLAINANT: VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC.

RESPONDENT/APPLICANT: INTERGLOBE COMMUNICATIONS

COMP/APP COUNTY:

UTILITY CODE: 311328

ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

JOINT PETITION OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC. AND INTERGLOBE COMMUNICATIONS FOR APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT NO. 1 UNDER THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION § 7004

PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SECRETARY'S BUREAU

**JOINT PETITION OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA)
INC. AND INTERGLOBE COMMUNICATIONS FOR)
APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION)
AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 252(e) OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.)**

PUC Docket No. A-311328 F2000

JOINT PETITION

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Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. ("Verizon") and InterGlobe Communications ("InterGlobe") respectfully submit for the Commission's approval, pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "1996 Act")¹, the attached Interconnection Agreement dated May 12, 2004 (the "Agreement"). The Agreement provides for the interconnection of the two companies' networks and makes available to InterGlobe access to unbundled network elements, wholesale telecommunications services, and ancillary services offered by Verizon. Verizon and InterGlobe respectfully request that the Commission act within the 90 days specified by the 1996 Act and approve the Agreement.

In support of this request, Verizon and InterGlobe state as follows:

THE PARTIES

1. Verizon is an incumbent local exchange carrier authorized to provide local exchange telephone service in Pennsylvania.
2. InterGlobe is a competitive local exchange carrier that has applied for authorization to provide local telephone service in Pennsylvania consistent with appropriate legal requirements established by the Commission.

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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THE AGREEMENT

3. Verizon and InterGlobe have entered into the Agreement pursuant to Sections 251(c) and 252(a) of the 1996 Act.

4. The Agreement sets forth the terms, conditions and prices under which Verizon and InterGlobe will offer and provide network interconnection, reciprocal call termination, access to network elements, ancillary network services, and wholesale telecommunications services available for resale to each other within each Local Access and Transport Area ("LATA") in which they both operate in Pennsylvania. The Agreement is an integrated package that reflects a negotiated balance of many interests and concerns critical to both parties.

5. The Agreement addresses a number of complex issues. Key provisions of the Agreement provide for:

- (i) Compensation for Reciprocal Compensation Traffic at rates as specified in the Pricing Attachment to the Agreement;
- (ii) Unbundled loops – providing InterGlobe access to existing Verizon customers – based on a rate methodology specified in the Agreement;
- (iii) Customers to retain their telephone numbers when they switch to InterGlobe;
- (iv) Including InterGlobe customers' primary listings in the appropriate alphabetical directory ("White Pages") and, for business customers, in the appropriate classified directory ("Yellow Pages");
- (v) The resale of Verizon telecommunications services for a wholesale discount as specified in the Pricing Attachment to the Agreement;
- (vi) The continued provision of 911 services to all customers; and
- (vii) Performance standards for services provided by Verizon to InterGlobe equal to the level of service provided by Verizon to its own end-user customers and other telecommunications carriers.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE 1996 ACT

6. The Agreement satisfies the requirements for Commission approval 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[.]

7. First, the Agreement does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, as required by Section 252(e)(2)(a)(i). To the contrary, any other telecommunications carrier authorized to provide local telephone service 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 Agreement and remain free to negotiate independently with Verizon pursuant to Section 252 of the 1996 Act.

8. Second, the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, as required by Section 252(e)(2)(a)(ii). It is an important step towards allowing InterGlobe to compete with Verizon as a facilities-based local telephone service carrier for both residential and business customers. The Agreement will also be available to all local exchange competitors under Section 252(i) of the 1996 Act.

APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT

9. The parties respectfully request that the Commission expedite its review of the Agreement 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, the parties request that the Commission act sooner than that date if at all possible.

WHEREFORE, Verizon and InterGlobe respectfully request that the Commission approve the attached interconnection agreement pursuant to Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act.

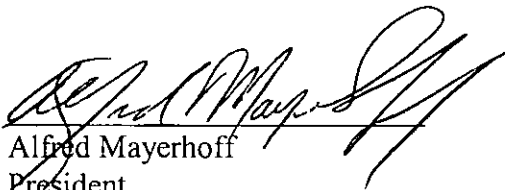
Respectfully submitted,



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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SECRETARY'S BUREAU

RE: Joint Petition of
Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and InterGlobe Communications
for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement
Dkt. No. A-311328 F1000

Dear Mr. McNulty:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of the Joint Petition of Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and InterGlobe Communications for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement. This filing also includes Amendment No. 1 between Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. InterGlobe Communications. Although the Interconnection Agreement is dated as effective May 12, 2004, the Agreement was signed by the two parties' signers on May 12, 2004 and August 2, 2004 respectively. Thus, this Joint 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. Similarly, the Amendment is dated as effective May 12, 2004, but was signed on May 12, 2004 and August 2, 2004. As evidenced by the cc: below, notice of this filing is being provided to OLCR, Inc.

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

DEM/slb

Enclosure

cc: Alfred Mayerhoff, President, InterGlobe Communications (Via UPS Service)
Attached Service List

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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SECRETARY'S BUREAU

DATE: August 31, 2004

SUBJECT: A-311328F7000

TO: Office of Special Assistants

FROM: James J. McNulty, Secretary *KB*

JOINT PETITION OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC. AND
INTERGLOBE COMMUNICATIONS FOR APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT NO. 1 UNDER SECTION 252(e) OF THE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

Attached is a copy of a Joint Petition for Approval of
an Interconnection Agreement and Amendment No. 1 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 September 11, 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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NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED

Joint Petition of Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and InterGlobe Communications for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement and Amendment No. 1 Under Section 252(e) of The Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Docket Number: A-311328F7000.

Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. and InterGlobe Communications, by its counsel, filed on August 18, 2004, at the Public Utility Commission, a Joint Petition for approval 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 Pennsylvania Inc. and InterGlobe Communications 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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