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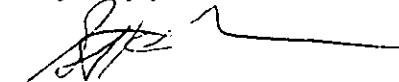
RE: Pasquale Colancecco v. Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.; Docket No. C-20055443;
ANSWER OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC.

Dear Mr. McNulty:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are the original and three (3) copies of Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.'s Answer in the above-captioned proceeding. A copy of this document has been served upon the Complainant in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions with regard to this filing, please direct them to me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



Steven K. Haas
Counsel for Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.

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Enclosures
cc: Pasquale Colancecco

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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PASQUALE COLANCECCO,
Complainant
v.
VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC.,
Respondent.

Docket No. C-20055443

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**ANSWER OF VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA INC.
TO THE COMPLAINT OF PASQUALE COLANCECCO**

Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. ("Verizon PA"), by its attorneys in this proceeding, Hawke McKeon Sniscak & Kennard LLP, hereby submits its Answer to the Complaint filed by Pasquale Colancecco ("Complainant"). In support thereof, Verizon PA avers and represents as follows:

1. ADMITTED, upon information and belief. Verizon PA AVERS that the Complainant is not permitted to represent individuals other than himself in this proceeding. None of the individuals listed on the Petition attached to the Complaint have submitted Formal Complaints in their own names. Accordingly, this Answer responds only to the Formal Complaint filed by Mr. Colancecco.

2. ADMITTED. The correct corporate name of the Respondent is Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.

3. ADMITTED.

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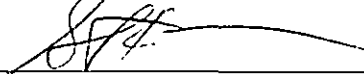
4. A. Verizon PA ADMITS that the Complaint involves allegations of inadequate phone lines and service.

4. B. Verizon PA ADMITS that it has received a number of contacts from the Complainant in which he has complained about various service problems. Verizon PA DENIES that its facilities are inadequate. Verizon PA AVERS that it responded to each of the Complainant's contacts in a timely manner and either made necessary repairs or found, after investigation and testing, that its facilities were working properly.

5. Paragraph 5 of the Complaint contains requests for relief to which no responses are required. Verizon PA again notes that the Complainant is only permitted to represent himself in this proceeding. It is Verizon PA's position that the names on the Petition attached to the Formal Complaint do not constitute Formal Complaints filed by the individuals listed and, as a result, a formal response is not required. Verizon PA reserves the right to respond formally in the event the Commission determines that the Petition constitutes the filing of Formal Complaints by each of the individuals listed.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, Verizon Pennsylvania Inc. respectfully requests that the Formal Complaint filed by Pasquale Colancecco, at Docket No. C-20055443, be dismissed or denied in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,



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DATED: November 14, 2005

AFFIDAVIT

I, **RONALD F. WEIGEL**, Director – Government Relations of Verizon Pennsylvania, am authorized to make this affidavit on its behalf, and I verify that the information provided in the foregoing document(s) is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that false statements therein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904, relating to unsworn falsifications to authorities.



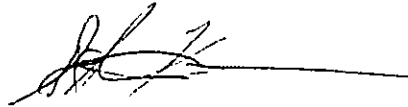
RONALD F. WEIGEL
Director – Government Relations

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document upon the person and in the manner indicated below.

Service via first class mail:

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