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AND PETER BRESSLER, :
: Docket No C-20030872
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VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA, INC. :

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Before:

Charles E. Rainey, Jr., Administrative Law Judge

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4 THE COURT: Good morning. My
5 name is Charles Rainey, and I'm the
6 Administrative Law Judge who has been assigned
7 to this case. This is the case of Sandra Gross
8 and Peter Bressler versus Verizon Pennsylvania,
9 Incorporated. Docket No. C-20030872.

10 I'll give the parties at this
11 time an opportunity to identify themselves for
12 the record, and we'll start with you,
13 Mr. Lehman.

14 MR. LEHMAN: William Lehman,
15 counsel for Verizon Pennsylvania, Incorporated.

16 THE COURT: And Mr. Satinsky.

17 MR. SATINSKY: Barnett Satinsky,
18 attorney for the Bresslers.

19 THE COURT: Okay, very good. We
20 had some discussion off the record this morning
21 with regard to this case. This has been a long
22 and winding case. The Complaint had been
23 originally filed back on August 4th, 2003.
24 Most recently what has come before us is an

1 Amended Complaint that was filed on
2 March 28th, 2005, and it is my understanding,
3 Mr. Lehman, that you will be filing an Answer,
4 a timely Answer, to the Amended Complaint; is
5 that correct?

6 MR. LEHMAN: That's correct.

7 THE COURT: Okay. So we will
8 then anticipate the filing of that Answer to
9 the Amended Complaint and any motions that may
10 accompany that as well.

11 We also had discussions with
12 regard to the status of settlement in this
13 case.

14 It's my understanding the
15 parties do have ongoing negotiations with
16 regard to settlement of this matter, and that
17 there will be a field investigation among the
18 parties that will take place, and the parties
19 will arrange that, and they, of course, are
20 expected to work cooperatively with one another
21 in order to get that accomplished and to have
22 meaningful settlement discussions.

23 There was also a discussion with
24 regard to how much time would be needed to

1 complete the settlement discussions, and I
2 believe that it was agreed upon that three
3 months may be an adequate amount of time in
4 order for those settlement discussions to be
5 completed.

6 So it was decided that we will
7 have a hearing in this case scheduled for no
8 sooner than three months from today.

9 If the parties are able to
10 settle this matter, a certificate of
11 satisfaction or a Withdrawal of the Complaint
12 would be expected to be filed, and with that we
13 would then proceed to close this case.

14 In the event that this matter is
15 not resolved, then the parties will be expected
16 to be ready to go forward with a hearing on the
17 date that they will be provided by the
18 scheduling office in Harrisburg, and that will
19 include any necessary discovery. We'll expect
20 it to be completed by that time as well.

21 Is there anything else that we
22 need to take up here this morning at this
23 prehearing conference, Mr. Lehman?

24 MR. LEHMAN: I don't believe so,

1 Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Mr. Satinsky?

3 MR. SATINSKY: No, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Then with that, this
5 prehearing conference is adjourned.

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7 (Hearing adjourned at or about
8 10:45 a.m.)

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I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence are contained fully and accurately in the stenographic notes taken by me upon the foregoing matter on April 1, 2005, and that this is a correct transcript of the same.

Jennifer Navejar

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Court Reporter-Notary Public

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