

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17105-3265

Core Communications, Inc.  
v.  
Verizon Pennsylvania LLC  
and Verizon North LLC

Public Meeting held April 20, 2017  
2253750-OSA  
Docket Nos. C-2011-2253750  
C-2011-2253787

**STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN GLADYS M. BROWN**

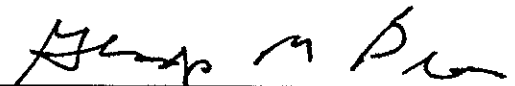
While I supported our earlier disposition of this case, reconsideration should be granted under *Duick*<sup>1</sup> because the record and the Petition set forth subsequent developments that appear to have been overlooked or not addressed by the Commission.<sup>2</sup>

This reconsideration challenges the Commission decision, which I supported, to impose specific compensation obligations and detailed compliance mandates upon the Parties. Specifically, the Commission required Core Communications, Inc. (Core) to pay Verizon Pennsylvania LLC (Verizon PA) and Verizon North LLC (Verizon North and collectively, Verizon) special access rates for Access Toll Connecting Groups (ATC) trunking obtained from Verizon PA.

Since then, however, the record indicates that Verizon PA's approach will be to seek compensation from Core for ATCs at Total Element Long Run Incremental Costs (TELRIC) rates. This departure from the access rates established for these entrance facilities in the earlier Order is a welcome development.

While today's order denying reconsideration notes this commendable solution, I would have preferred to grant reconsideration for the purpose of expressly stating that Verizon's agreement to accept TELRIC rates moots Core's objection to access rates for Verizon PA's ATC trunks. An express statement is more likely to preclude more litigation in this complex and long-standing dispute.

April 20, 2017  
Date

  
Gladys M. Brown, Chairman

<sup>1</sup> *Duick v. Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company*, 56 Pa. P.U.C. 553 (1982).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 559.