



Verizon Pennsylvania LLC
Right of Way Department

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August 27, 2024

Ms. Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
PA Public Utility Commission
P. O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

RE:DOT #851963U

Township of Forks, Northampton County

Dear Ms. Chiavetta:

Enclosed is an application to the PUC for Verizon Pennsylvania LLC to place an aerial fiber optic cable in crossing in the Township of Forks, County of Northampton and must cross the Norfolk Southern Railroad, in the public right of way of Kesslerville Road, Crossing #851963U.

All parties have been notified.

Sincerely

Kathleen Meeks
Engineer III-Specialist

**BEFORE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

In re: Application of Verizon Pennsylvania LLC for approval to place an innerduct with aerial fiber optic cable located in the Township of Forks, Northampton County. To complete this work, we must cross Norfolk Southern Railroad in the public right of way of Kesslerville Road, Crossing #851963U,

Application
Docket No.

To Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission:

1. The name and address of applicant are
Verizon Pennsylvania LLC
Attn: Kathleen Meeks
40 S. Mercer St.
New Castle, PA 16101

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2. The name and address of applicant's attorney are

Susan D. Paiva
Assistant General Counsel
900 Race Street
6th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19107

3. Verizon Pennsylvania LLC requests permission to place an aerial innerduct with fiber optic cable in the Township of Forks, Northampton County. **Projected Start Date for this project is October 31, 2024.**
4. The proposed construction will involve a placement of an aerial innerduct with fiber optic cable attached to existing Verizon poles (Exhibit A)
5. The municipalities and property owners concerned in, or affected by, the crossing alterations are in Exhibit "B".
6. The motoring public and railroad traffic will not be impacted. Verizon Pennsylvania LLC will use normal construction procedures. Normal procedures will be followed including the use of flagmen to maintain normal flow of traffic.
7. The estimated cost of this construction project is \$10,000.00. Completion Date November 29, 2024.
8. The construction is necessary or proper for the following reasons: Additional fiber optic facilities between remote offices providing services for the area.

Wherefore, applicant prays your Honorable Commission to approve the application:

Kathleen Meeks

1.36. Verification.

(a) Applications, petitions, formal complaints, motions and answers thereto containing an averment of fact not appearing of record in the action or containing a denial of fact shall be personally verified by a party thereto or by an authorized officer of the party if a corporation or association. Verification means a signed written statement of fact supported by oath or affirmation or made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities). If verification is required, notarization is not necessary.

(b) The Verification form should comply substantially with the following:

VERIFICATION

I, Kathleen Meeks, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct (or are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief) and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Date: 08/27/2024

Kathleen Meeks
(Signature)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54

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Dated this 27 day of August 2024

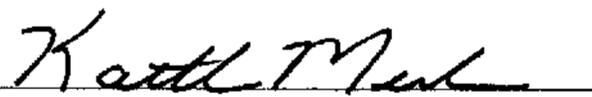

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Exhibit B

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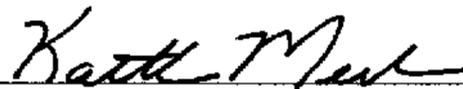
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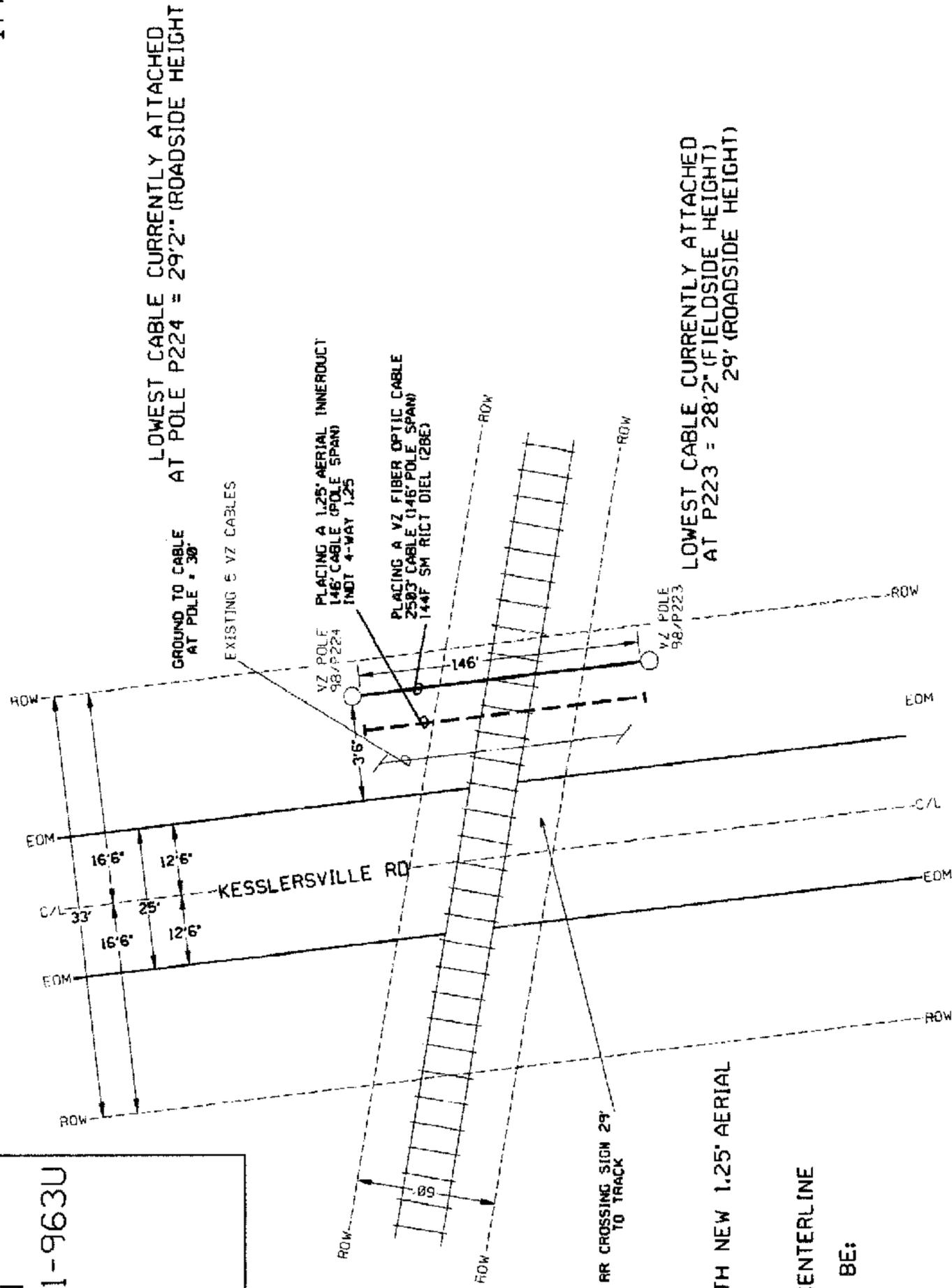


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EASTON RAILWAY PERMIT
PERMIT SKETCH
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FLAGGING
REQUIRED

METHOD: AERIAL CROSSING
MUNICIPALITY: FORKS TWP
COUNTY: NORTHAMPTON
CROSSING NUMBER: 851-963U
MILEPOST: 0030
RRSUBDIV:
LAT: 40.750768
LONG: -75.232701



NEW 144F CABLE BEING PLACED WITH NEW 1.25' AERIAL INNERDUCT (PLACED AT 30')
17° SAG @ 80 DEG (28'7")
27° SAG HEAVY ICE LOAD (27'9")
LOW SAG POINT WILL BE 5' FROM CENTERLINE OF RR TRACKS
MAX SAG POINT OVER TRACKS WILL BE:
29' @ 80 DEG
28'2" FOR HEAVY ICE LOAD

PERMIT FOR KESSLERSVILLE RD FIBER RELIEF JOB

-OWNED BY NORFOLK SOUTHERN:
CONTACT 1-800-946-9744
X-ING 851-963U

NORTHERN SOUTHERN X-ING #851-963U (NEAR 4177 KESSLERSVILLE RD)
NO CATENARY STRUCTURE. SINGLE TRACK.

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L98 P223

LOWEST CABLE
CURRENTLY
ATTACHED AT POLE =
29' 2" (ROADSIDE
HEIGHT)

LOWEST CABLE
CURRENTLY
ATTACHED AT POLE =
28' 2" (FIELDSIDE
HEIGHT)
29' (ROADSIDE HEIGHT)

NEW 144F CABLE BEING OVERLASHED TO EXISTING FIBER CABLE (PLACED AT 30')
17" SAG @ 80 DEG (28' 7")
LOW SAG POINT WILL BE 5' FROM CENTERLINE OF RR TRACKS
MAX SAG POINT OVER TRACKS WILL BE:
29' @ 80 DEG
28' 2" FOR HEAVY ICE LOAD

27' 10" EXISTING COPPER CABLE (LOWEST)

5' BURIED DEPTH
13.8 BASE DIAMETER (IN)

RR CROSSING SIGN
29' TO TRACK



NOTES:
NEW 144F FIBER CABLE TO BE OVERLASHED TO EXISTING FIBER CABLES AT 30' ON BOTH POLES. IT WILL BE HIGHER THAN EXISTING COPPER CABLES OVER RR TRACKS. THIS X-ING WAS FOR SPUR LINE ONCE FEEDING 605 KUEBLER RD. NO LONGER AN ACTIVE LINE. BUILDING/PLANT AT 605 KUEBLER RD WAS DEMOLISHED AND IS EMPTY LOT CURRENTLY.

VERIZON DETAIL ENGINEERING SURVEY
KESSLERSVILLE RD
EASTON, PA
NORFOLK SOUTHERN X-ING 851-963U
BUILDING CONTACT: N/A
WIRE CENTER: ESTN
CONSTRUCTION TYPE: N/A
COUNTY: NORTHAMPTON

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