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**This material is filed on 15 days'**  
**notice under Section 204(a)(3)**  
**of the Communications Act**

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Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
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Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

The enclosed tariff, issued by the Verizon Telephone Companies (Verizon) and bearing Tariff FCC No. 1, Access Service, is being sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This material, filed on 15 days' notice and scheduled to become effective January 2, 2009, consists of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheets:

Tariff FCC No.  
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Check Sheet Revision No.  
437th Revised Page 1  
25th Revised Page 11

With this transmittal, Verizon is submitting tariff pages to remove Defense Protection Service (DPS), a Federal Government Access Service whose commitment period has expired. DPS was originally filed in 1999 with a five year commitment period.

Supporting material as specified under Section 61.38 of the Federal Communication Commission's rules is not required with this filing.

This transmittal letter and associated attachments are being filed electronically today via the Federal Communications Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS).

Payment in the amount of \$775.00 has been electronically transmitted to the U.S. Bank in St. Louis, Missouri, in accordance with the fee program procedures. The Form 159 is being transmitted electronically over ETFS.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 61.21(a)(3) of the Federal Communications Commission's rules, the FCC Registration Number (FRN) for Verizon is 0003-7085-00. Verizon is making this filing on behalf of issuing carriers with the following FRNs:

Tariff FCC No. 1

0002-0112-78  
0002-0732-03  
0002-1092-13  
0002-1668-25  
0003-2717-98  
0003-2735-05  
0003-3166-92

All correspondence and inquiries in connection with this transmittal should be forwarded to Amy Kavelman, Director, Federal Regulatory, via facsimile on (202) 336-7922, or by hand-delivery to 1300 I Street, NW, Suite 400 West, Washington, DC 20005.



Attachments:

Revised Tariff Pages