

**THE VERIZON TELEPHONE COMPANIES**

**Introduction of Technology Migration Regulations**

**TARIFF FCC NOs. 1, 11, 14 and 16**

**DESCRIPTION**

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The Verizon Telephone Companies (“Verizon”) are submitting tariff pages to introduce regulations that provide for the migration of Special Access High Capacity 1.544 Mbps level services (DS1 Level Services) or Special Access High Capacity 44.736 Mbps level services (DS3 Level Services) that are provided under a Verizon term and/or volume plan to Telephone Company provided Ethernet services (“Technology Migration”). Verizon already has similar provisions in several of its tariffs that allow customers to replace special access services with Telephone Company provided Ethernet services without incurring termination liabilities or shortfall penalties. The regulations being introduced in this tariff filing likewise ensure that customers are not penalized when they upgrade their Verizon special access services to higher-level services provided by Verizon (i.e., Ethernet service). Specifically, Technology Migration includes the disconnection of one or more of the following services:

❖ Tariff FCC No. 1

- DS1 Level Services under a DS1 High Capacity Service Term Pricing Plan
- DS3 Level Services under a DS3 High Capacity Service Term Pricing Plan
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a Facilities Management Plan
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a Commitment Discount Plan
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a National Discount Plan

❖ Tariff FCC No. 11

- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a Service Discount Plan
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a Facilities Management Plan
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a Commitment Discount Plan

- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a National Discount Plan

❖ Tariff FCC No. 14

- DS1 Level Services under a DS1 Term Volume Plan (DS1 TVP) or a DS1 Eight and Ten Year Term Volume Plan (DS1 ETTVP)
- DS3 Level Services provided with a DS3 Minimum Service Period
- DS3 Level Services under a DS3 Term Volume Plan (DS3 TVP)
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a National Discount Plan

❖ Tariff FCC No. 16

- DS1 Level Services under a DS1 Term Payment Plan (DS1 TPP)
- DS3 Level Services provided with a DS3 Minimum Service Period
- DS1 Level Services and DS3 Level Services under a National Discount Plan

Technology Migration provides a customer with an additional option when disconnecting certain High Capacity Services under Verizon term plans to replace such services with a Telephone Company provided Ethernet private line service or switched Ethernet service (“Replacing Services”). For those Verizon term plans that already include terms and conditions for an upgrade to a higher level service, the customer may use the existing upgrade regulations to migrate its High Capacity Services to a Replacing Service or the customer now has the option to use the Technology Migration terms and conditions introduced herein. For those Verizon term plans that do not currently have terms and conditions for such an upgrade, the customer can migrate its High Capacity Services to a Replacing Service under the terms and conditions for Technology Migration introduced herein.

When a Technology Migration is ordered for a High Capacity Service under a circuit specific plan (e.g., the DS3 High Capacity Service Term Pricing Plan in Tariff FCC No. 1), the

customer will not incur liability for early termination when disconnecting service under such plan in order to replace that service with a Replacing Service, provided the requirements for such a Technology Migration as stated in the tariffs are satisfied. However the customer is responsible for satisfying any outstanding minimum period obligations on the service being disconnected.

When a Technology Migration is ordered for a High Capacity Service under a plan that includes an annual or semi-annual review (e.g., NDP as offered in Tariff FCC Nos. 1, 11, 14 and 16) to measure the customer's compliance with established commitment and/or volume levels, Verizon will conduct such review as if the DS1 Level Services or DS3 Level Services had not been disconnected, the result of which is that the customer will not incur any shortfall charges on the services that were migrated to a Replacing Service, provided the requirements for such a Technology Migration as stated in the tariffs are satisfied. However the customer is responsible for satisfying any outstanding minimum period obligations on the service being upgraded.

A complete description of the terms and conditions of a Technology Migration are attached to this filing.