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Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

The accompanying tariff material, issued by the Verizon Telephone Companies (Verizon) and bearing Tariff F.C.C. No. 12, Interstate IntraLATA Message Telecommunications Service, and F.C.C. No. 21, Special Construction, are sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This material, filed on fifteen days’ notice and scheduled to become effective March 18, 2003, consists of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheets:

Tariff F.C.C. No.
12

Check Sheet Revision No.
8th Revised Page 1
7th Revised Page 2

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35th Revised Page 1
30th Revised Page 4

With this filing, Verizon is increasing it’s Directory Assistance Charge rate in accordance with permission granted by the New York Verizon Incentive Plan ruling issued by the New York State Public Service Commission.

Supporting material as described under Section 61.49 of Commission’s Rules is not required with this filing.

This filing also provides for Special Construction of facilities to provision tariffed services in FCC 21 for the following: Massachusetts – Keyspan Corp. Services and Demoulas Market Basket, Florida – AT&T, Texas – Trinity Broadcasting. Administrative changes are also being made 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 \$695.00 has been electronically transmitted to the Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in accordance with the fee program procedures. The Form 159 is being transmitted electronically over ETFS as a proprietary document.

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

<u>Tariff F.C.C. No. 12</u>	<u>Tariff F.C.C. No. 21</u>	
0003-4694-42	0002-1092-13	0001-5832-28
	0003-2717-98	0001-9625-88
	0002-1668-25	0001-6802-63
	0003-3166-92	0001-5209-80
	0003-2735-05	0004-3502-52
	0002-0732-03	0004-1917-89
	0002-0112-78	0001-8555-43
	0003-4694-42	
	0003-6289-71	
	0004-3502-37	
	0001-5364-24	
	0001-8248-04	
	0001-5832-44	

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Attachments:
Revised Tariff Pages
Form 159