

THE VERIZON TELEPHONE COMPANIES

TARIFF F.C.C. NOs. 1 & 11, 14 & 16

MCI SPECIALIZED SERVICE

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION

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DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION

SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

This section addresses compliance with Section 61.38 of the Commission's Rules which applies to this filing because the Commission has found the Verizon telephone companies ("Verizon") to be dominant carriers. Section 61.38 provides guidelines for cost support when filing new services excluded from price cap regulation.

SECTION 2

COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 61.38(B)

Explanation and data supporting either changes or new tariff offerings:

Service Description

With this filing, Verizon submits tariff pages and supporting documentation to introduce a specialized service for MCI across the Verizon footprint in Tariffs FCC Nos. 1, 11, 14 & 16. The service is named Message Waiting Indicator Signaling System 7 TCAP Messaging Service ("MWI TCAP Messaging Service"). This specialized service utilizes SS7 technology to transmit TCAP messages (signal triggers) that are originated by the customer's network via its voice messaging service. These messages enable MCI to signal the Verizon switch serving its voice mail customer so that MCI can (1) set message waiting indication on a line which notifies the voice mail subscriber that voice messages have been received and are waiting to be acknowledged, or (2) reset or clear message waiting indication on the end user's line once the end user has acknowledged its messages.

MWI TCAP Messaging Service is available in all LATAs where Verizon has deployed

SS7 signal transfer points (STPs) and only from those serving wire centers within those LATAs that have suitable switching equipment to provide the service. In the event that Verizon makes MWI TCAP Messaging Service or its equivalent functionality available on a generally tariffed basis, the rates and charges and terms and conditions of the general service offering shall apply.

Reason for Filing

Verizon is making this specialized service filing to fulfill a specific and unique request from the customer.

Basis of Ratemaking

The costs to provide this service are based solely on the labor charges for performing the necessary work in Verizon central office switching systems and SS7 network to enable the SS7 system to transmit the TCAP messages to the end user's line. The costs also include one-time labor charges for product management, testing and support for the service. Therefore, this specialized service is being assessed a nonrecurring charge for installation and administration, which was developed by multiplying the estimated staff hours by the appropriate labor rates. Nonrecurring costs are displayed in the attached workpaper.

Projection of Revenues and Costs

The projection of revenue and costs for this specialized arrangement is \$150,015 and it is being split between the four Verizon tariffs covering this specialized service (\$37,500 per tariff).

SECTION 3

WORKPAPER INDEX

Workpaper 1

Nonrecurring Costs

The attached tariff pages provide a complete description of MWI TCAP Messaging Service.