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Application No. 137

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Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S. W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

The Verizon Telephone Companies (Verizon) hereby apply for Special Permission for a waiver of Section 61.58 and 61.59 of the Commission's Rules.

On March 2, 2005, Verizon filed Transmittal No. 545, which is scheduled to become effective March 17, 2005. Transmittal No. 545 introduced a new Transitional Billed Upgrade option for customers who upgrade one or two Dedicated SONET Rings into a single Dedicated SONET Ring of a greater capacity (e.g., upgrading two OC12 rings into a single OC48 ring) under its Tariff F.C.C. Nos. 1, 11, and 16, Access Services, and Tariff F.C.C. No. 14, Facilities for Interstate Access. Pursuant to discussions with the Commission's Staff, Verizon has decided to withdraw the proposed tariff option and reinstate the regulations for Verizon's Dedicated SONET Ring that are currently in effect.

A waiver of Section 61.58 is requested to allow the proposed withdrawal to become effective on less than statutory notice. A waiver of Section 61.59 is requested to allow changes to pending material not yet in effect.

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

Payment in the amount of \$720.00 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 via ETFS.

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

<u>Tariff F.C.C. No. 1</u>	<u>Tariff F.C.C. No. 11</u>	<u>Tariff F.C.C. No. 14</u>	<u>Tariff F.C.C. No. 16</u>
0002-0112-78	0003-4694-42	0001-5209-80	0001-5364-24
0002-0732-03	0003-6289-71	0001-5364-24	0001-5832-44
0002-1092-13		0001-5832-28	0001-6802-63
0002-1668-25		0001-5832-44	0001-9625-88
0003-2717-98		0001-6802-63	0004-3502-37
0003-2735-05		0001-8248-04	
0003-3166-92		0001-9625-88	
		0004-3502-37	
		0004-3502-52	

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



Attachments:

Illustrative Tariff Pages
Form 159