NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IN THE MATTER OF VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC. DISCONTINUANCE OF LAND LINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS MAINTENANCE, FACILITIES AND INFRASTURCTURE DOCKET NO. TO15121325

Please Take Notice that the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (Board) will hold a public hearing to gather information from the public concerning Verizon's service quality in the following communities:

- Atlantic County: City of Estell Manor, Weymouth Township
- Burlington County: Washington Twp.
- Salem County: Alloway Township, Lower Alloways Creek, Mannington Township, Pilesgrove Township, Upper Pittsgrove Township
- Gloucester County: South Harrison Township
- Cumberland County: Commercial Township, Downe Township, Hopewell Township, Lawrence Township, Maurice River Township, City of Millville, Upper Deerfield Township, Fairfield Township

On November 27, 2015, the above-named municipalities and the county of Cumberland, petitioned the Board to initiate an investigation and to order Verizon New Jersey Inc. to maintain landline infrastructure until a complete statewide buildout of fiber occurs. The petition is available for inspection at the Board's offices, or interested parties can also seek a copy of the petition from the Board upon request. The petition made several allegations regarding Verizon's service quality in these areas. This hearing is being held to obtain input from the public in this matter.

Two public hearings will be held on Thursday, August 4, 2016, at the Estell Manor Elementary School, 128 Cape May Avenue, Estell Manor, New Jersey 08319 at 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Any interested member of the public who wishes to make a statement or comment with respect to this matter should attend the public hearing. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including an interpreter, listening devices, or mobility assistance, 48 hours prior to the scheduled hearing, to the attention of the Secretary of the Board, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, (609)292-1554.

In addition, members of the public can send written comments to Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary of the Board, 44 South Clinton Ave, 3rd Floor, Suite 314, Post Office Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350 or electronically to verizoncomments@bpu.nj.gov. These written comments must be received by August 8, 2016. Comments should be identified with the heading "I/M/O Verizon New Jersey Inc. Discontinuance of Land Line Telecommunications Maintenance, Facilities and Infrastructure – Docket No. TO15121325". All comments submitted will be published in their entirety.

This Notice may be inspected online at www.nj.gov/bpu.