



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT APPLICATION OF)
VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC. AND LITECALL INC. FOR)
APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT)
UNDER SECTION 252 OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

ORDER APPROVING
AGREEMENT

DOCKET NO. TO08090828

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

By letter dated September 24, 2008, Verizon New Jersey Inc. ("Verizon"), a New Jersey corporation, and Litecall Inc. ("Litecall") (individually, "a Party", and jointly, "the Parties"), pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, P.L. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56 (codified in scattered sections of 47 U.S.C. §151 et seq.) ("the Act"), submitted to the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") a joint application ("Application") for approval of a certain negotiated interconnection agreement dated August 26, 2008 ("the Agreement").

The Agreement sets forth the terms, conditions, and prices under which Verizon will offer and provide access to unbundled network elements, ancillary services, and wholesale telecommunications services available for resale to Litecall. The Agreement is in effect until August 25, 2010 and thereafter, as noted in the Agreement, continues in full force and effect unless terminated as provided in the Agreement.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(a)(1), an incumbent LEC may negotiate and enter into a binding interconnection agreement with a carrier requesting interconnection, service, or network elements. In addition, 47 U.S.C. §252(e)(1) requires approval by the Board of any interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration, and further requires the Board to approve or reject the Agreement, with written findings as to any deficiencies. The Act provides that the Board may reject a negotiated agreement or any portion thereof only if it finds that: (i) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion thereof is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. [47 U.S.C. §252(e)(2)(A)].

The Board's review of the Agreement and the record in this matter indicate that the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, and that the Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not parties to the Agreement. Therefore, the Board FINDS that the Agreement meets the standards set forth in the Act, and HEREBY APPROVES the Agreement as presented by the Parties. This approval should not be construed as preapproval of any future petitions for rate recovery of costs incurred pursuant to the Agreement, nor shall the Board be bound by any provisions within the Agreement regarding the confidentiality of information.

DATED: 12/9/08

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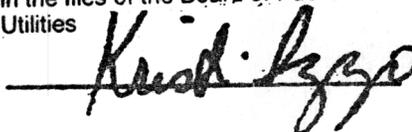

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