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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**Board of Public Utilities**  
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**Newark, NJ 07102**  
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

I/M/O VERIZON ACCESS TRANSMISSION )  
SERVICES INC. FOR ARBITRATION OF AN )  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH )  
UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW )  
JERSEY D/B/A EMBARQ, UNDER SECTION )  
252 B OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT )  
OF 1996 )

ORDER OF APPROVAL

DKT. NO. TO07020140

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

By letter dated February 27, 2007, Hesser G. McBride, Jr. Esq. on behalf of Verizon New Jersey Inc. (VNJ) filed a motion with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (Board) pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:1-5.2 and 1:21-2 to permit the appearance *pro hac vice* of Richard A. Chapkis, a member in good standing of the bar of the state of California and Christopher D. Oatway, a member in good standing of the bars of the states of the District of Columbia and Maryland.

Both Mr. Chapkis and Mr. Oatway have filed affidavits with the motion asserting that there is good cause for admission in that they are specialists in the field of telecommunications regulation with extensive legal background in the conduct of regulatory proceedings involving various operating telephone companies. The affidavits also indicate that Mr. Chapkis and Mr. Oatway have satisfied all of the conditions for admission, in addition to good cause, which are set forth in R. 1:21-2(a) and that the fees required by R.1:20(b) and R. 1:28-2 would be paid to the Disciplinary Oversight Committee and the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection.

DISCUSSION

Upon review of the above referenced motions and supporting affidavits in this matter, and no objections to them having been received, the Board FINDS that Mr. Chapkis and Mr. Oatway have satisfied the conditions for admission and therefore ORDERS that the motions seeking their admission to practice before the Board *pro hac vice* in the above-captioned matter are HEREBY GRANTED, provided that each shall:

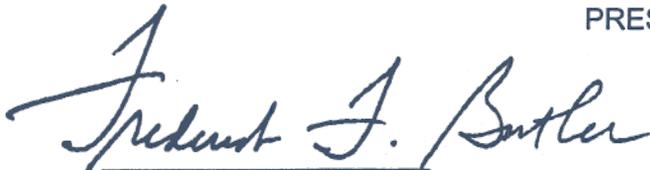
- (1) abide by the Board's rules and all applicable New Jersey court rules including all disciplinary rules;

- (2) pay to the New Jersey Lawyers Fund for Client Protection the fees required by R. 1:20-1 (b) and 1:28-2 and submit proof of same to the Board;
- (3) consent to the appointment of the Clerk of the Supreme Court as agent upon whom service of process may be made for all actions against each of them that may arise out of his participation in this matter;
- (4) notify the Board immediately of any matter affecting his standing at the bar of any other jurisdiction; and
- (5) have all pleadings, briefs and other papers filed with the Board signed by an attorney authorized to practice in this State, who shall be held responsible for them and for the conduct of this cause and the admitted attorney therein.

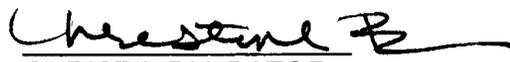
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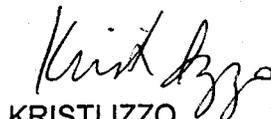
  
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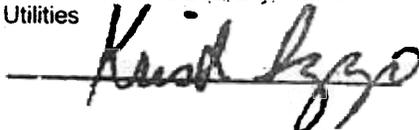
  
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ATTEST:

  
KRISTI IZZO  
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within document is a true copy of the original in the files of the Board of Public Utilities



**Petition of Verizon Access Transmission Services Inc. for Arbitration of an  
Interconnection Agreement with United Telephone Company of New Jersey d/b/a  
Embarq, Under Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996**

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