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**VERIZON NEW HAMPSHIRE/AT&T BROADBAND PHONE
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, LLC**

Order Approving Adopted Interconnection Agreement

O R D E R N O. 24,141

March 17, 2003

On January 28, 2003, Verizon New England d/b/a Verizon New Hampshire (Verizon) and AT&T Broadband Phone of New Hampshire, LLC, (AT&T Broadband), soon to be known as Comcast Phone of New Hampshire, LLC, jointly filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) an Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) pursuant to section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(i). This Agreement adopts the form and terms of an agreement that was originally negotiated between ACC National Telecom Corporation and Verizon in Docket No. DE 98-188 and was approved by the Commission by Order No. 23,095, *New England Telephone and Telegraph Company dba Bell Atlantic*, 83 NH PUC 692 (December 21, 1998).

AT&T Broadband was granted authority to provide competitive local exchange carrier (CLEC) services in DE 98-208 by Order No. 23,088 (December 15, 1998) under the name MediaOne Telecommunications of New Hampshire, Inc.

The Agreement is a comprehensive set of terms and conditions that will facilitate the provisioning of

telecommunications service by AT&T Broadband as a CLEC in New Hampshire.

Staff recommends the Agreement be approved immediately because it provides for the adoption of an agreement previously approved in Docket No. DE 98-188.

We have reviewed the filing and find that approval is warranted. As the Agreement is an adoption of an agreement currently in effect, we will accept Staff's recommendation and allow this Agreement to be effective immediately.

We note that AT&T Broadband may purchase services or unbundled elements from Verizon's Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT) and its subsequent revisions.

In order to promote the continued growth of competitive telecommunications services in New Hampshire, we will require AT&T Broadband to comply with our notice requirements regarding "Fresh Look" opportunities pursuant to Order Nos. 22,798 and 22,903. The recommended method for giving notice is to provide the Commission with a contemporaneous copy of the Confirmation of Code Activation form which is used to notify the North American Numbering Code Administrator.

As new competitors enter the telecommunications market, we recognize that New Hampshire's 603 area code encounters constantly increasing demand. Accordingly, we will require that

AT&T Broadband request and use numbers responsibly and conservatively, and invite AT&T Broadband to explore alternative mechanisms to use existing numbers as efficiently as possible. In approving this Agreement, we require AT&T Broadband to comply with our orders on number conservation including Order No. 23,385 issued January 7, 2000, and Order No. 23,392 issued January 27, 2000, as well as further orders issued by the Commission concerning this matter.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Interconnection Agreement between AT&T Broadband and Verizon New Hampshire is APPROVED; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that AT&T Broadband is required to comply with our Order No. 23,385 issued January 7, 2000, Order No. 23,392 issued January 27, 2000, and further orders issued by the Commission concerning number conservation; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that AT&T Broadband is prohibited from placing any orders under this Agreement and from otherwise doing business in New Hampshire until such time as AT&T Broadband has complied with all requirements of applicable federal and state law or regulation; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that AT&T Broadband will notify the Commission within ten days of making their first facility-based commercial call in any exchange that has not already been opened

to a "Fresh Look" opportunity as ordered in Docket DE 96-420; and
it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any clause in the Agreement found
to be in violation of any Commission order is null and void.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New
Hampshire this seventeenth day of March, 2003.

Thomas B. Getz
Chairman

Susan S. Geiger
Commissioner

Nancy Brockway
Commissioner

Attested by:

Michelle A. Caraway
Assistant Executive Director