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VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. D/B/A VERIZON NEW HAMPSHIRE DSCI CORPORATION

Order Nisi Approving Resale Agreement

<u>O R D E R N O. 23,686</u>

April 20, 2001

On February 7, 2001, Verizon New England Inc. d/b/a Verizon New Hampshire (Verizon New Hampshire), formerly Bell Atlantic New Hampshire, and DSCI Corporation (DSCI) petitioned the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval, pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Tact), of a negotiated resale agreement (Resale Agreement).

The Resale Agreement establishes terms for the discount purchase of Verizon New Hampshire tariffed services for resale by DSCI to retail customers. The mutually agreed upon percentage discounts in the Resale Agreement range from 17.30% to 20.25%. The discounts mirror those contained in Verizon New Hampshire's Statement of Generally Available Terms, as filed on July 11, 1997.

Pursuant to the Resale Agreement, Verizon New Hampshire will provide training to DSCI regarding all services requested as well as reasonable amounts of information to assist marketing efforts by DSCI. The initial term of the Resale Agreement expires on January 9, 2003. However, absent 90 days prior written notice of termination, the Resale Agreement remains in effect beyond that date. Subsequent to the initial term, the Agreement may still be terminated by 90 days prior written notice by either party.

Staff recommends approval of the Resale Agreement based on its review, the summary provided by Verizon New Hampshire, and verbal clarification provided by Verizon New Hampshire.

We accept Staff's recommendation, finding that the Agreement meets the standards of '252(e)(2)(A) of the Tact. The Resale Agreement does not appear to be discriminatory to any carrier not a party to the negotiations and is consistent with the Public interest, convenience, and necessity. We will approve it on a nisi basis in order to provide any interested party an opportunity to submit comments or request a hearing pursuant to RSA 374:26.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED <u>NISI</u>, that the Agreement negotiated between Verizon New Hampshire and DSCI is APPROVED; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Petitioner shall cause a copy of this Order nisi to be published once in a statewide newspaper of general circulation, such publication to be no

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later than April 27, 2001 and to be documented by affidavit filed with

this office on or before May 4, 2001; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that all persons interested in responding to this petition be notified that they may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing on this matter before the Commission no later than May 7, 2001; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that this Order <u>Nisi</u> shall be effective May 21, 2001, unless the Commission provides otherwise in a supplemental order issued prior to the effective date.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this twentieth day of April, 2001.

Douglas L. Patch	Susan S. Geiger	Nancy Brockway
Chairman	Commissioner	Commissioner

Attested by:

Thomas B. Getz Executive Director and Secretary