

DT 01-206

VERIZON NEW HAMPSHIRE

**SGAT Compliance Filing on Additional Unbundled Network
Elements**

Procedural Order

O R D E R N O. 23,837

November 2, 2001

By Order of Notice dated October 15, 2001, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) opened this docket dealing with Verizon New Hampshire's (Verizon's) proposed tariff for the additional unbundled network elements (UNEs) required by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Tact) as ordered by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in its UNE Remand Order issued November 5, 1999, in CC Docket No. 96-98. The proposed tariff is a portion of Verizon's Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions (SGAT) and therefore must comply with Commission Order No. 23,738, in DT 97-171.

While the proposed tariff could be considered a compliance tariff in DT 97-171, this separate docket was initiated because the relevant UNEs were not examined in that proceeding. The Commission's Order of Notice in this docket instituted an expedited review of the proposed tariff, coterminous with the Commission's review of Verizon's Section

271 application.

To assist with the expedited review process, the Commission has engaged a telecommunications consultant, Mr. Paul Hartman, as facilitator. The facilitator will conduct a proceeding and file a recommended decision as a report to the Commission prior to a final hearing before the Commission.

At the duly noticed prehearing conference held on October 24, 2001, the Commission took appearances from those parties physically present in the hearing room and those present by teleconference, before recessing in order to permit a technical conference among the parties and Staff. The Commission subsequently reconvened the prehearing conference.

At the reconvened prehearing conference, the Commission granted the following parties full intervenor status: AT&T Communications of New England, Inc.; AT&T Broadband; RNK Communications; CTC Communications; Destek Group; Merrimack County Telephone Company; Granite State Telephone, Inc.; Bretton Woods Telephone Company; Dixville Telephone Company; Dunbarton Telephone Company; Union Telephone Company; Wilton/Hollis Telephone Companies; and Northland Telephone Company of Maine. The following parties requested and were granted limited intervenor status: William Harper for segTEL; and Robert Landsman for the Seacoast

Planning Commission.

Also at the reconvened prehearing conference, the parties and Staff presented an agreed upon procedural schedule, explaining that the first item in the schedule is the due date for information requested by the facilitator. The Commission approved with the addition of an opportunity for parties to file written comments regarding the facilitator's report.

The procedural schedule, as approved by the Commission, follows.

October 29, 2001	Verizon files Compilation of the UNE Remand Tariff and UNE Rate Comparisons; CLECs file Priority List of UNES
October 30, 2001 thru November 7, 2001	Rolling Data Requests to Verizon
November 9, 2001, 8:30 a.m.	Workshop, on the record, addressing the filed tariffs and Data Requests
November 13, 2001	Transcriptions of Workshop
November 16, 2001	Data Requests to Verizon
November 27, 2001	Data Responses from Verizon, in writing, to all Data Requests
December 7, 2001	Briefs
December 12, 2001	Facilitator's Report to Commission
December 14, 2001	Comments on Facilitator's Report

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December 17, 2001

Hearing (10:00 a.m.)

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the interventions reported herein are
hereby GRANTED; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the procedural schedule detailed above is hereby APPROVED.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this second day of November, 2001.

Thomas B. Getz
Chairman

Susan S. Geiger
Commissioner

Nancy Brockway
Commissioner

Attested by:

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Assistant Secretary