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CLEC to CLEC MIGRATION GUIDELINES

Order Adopting CLEC to CLEC Migration Guidelines

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August 15, 2003

On July 15, 2002, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) opened this docket to consider the adoption of guidelines to govern the migration of telecommunications customers among competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs). Parties, including AT&T New Hampshire (AT&T), AT&T Broadband, BayRing Communications, Conversent Communications, CTC Communications, DSCI Corporation, Lightship Communications, PaeTec Communications, WorldCom, Verizon New Hampshire (Verizon) and the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) met with the Staff of the Commission (Staff) in a series of workshops, and drafted interim New Hampshire Migration Guidelines (Interim Guidelines) proposed to go into effect immediately.

On February 4, 2003, Staff submitted the Interim Guidelines to the Commission, along with an Agreement resolving the issues in the docket. The Agreement was signed by AT&T, AT&T Broadband, Conversent Communications, CTC Communications, Lightship Communications, PaeTec Communications, WorldCom, Verizon New Hampshire, OCA, and Staff.

On May 16, 2003, the Commission entered Order No. 24,173, which offered CLECs the opportunity to comment on the

proposed Agreement and Guidelines. On June 4, 2003, MCI filed comments, stating that the Commission should adopt the Interim Guidelines in their present form with no substantive changes.

We have examined the proposed Interim Guidelines. They appear to provide a reasonable foundation for working arrangements between and among CLECs and between CLECs and Verizon that will assist in producing a seamless telecommunications network in New Hampshire. Therefore, we determine that the Agreement is consistent with the obligation to provide just and reasonable utility service pursuant to RSA 374:1 and is, accordingly, approved.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Interim Guidelines are adopted and shall take effect sixty days from the date of this Order, as set forth in the Agreement between the parties in this docket.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this fifteenth day of August, 2003.

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Chairman

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Commissioner

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Commissioner

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