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BEFORE THE
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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VERIZON NORTH INC.,)
VERIZON SOUTH INC. and)
XO ILLINOIS, INC.)
) No. 03-0671
Joint Petition regarding the)
Adoption of an Interconnection)
Agreement.)
Chicago, Illinois

December 8, 2003

Met pursuant to notice at 10:00 a.m.

BEFORE:

MR. JOHN RILEY, Administrative Law Judge.

APPEARANCES:

SONNENSCHN NATH & ROSENTHAL, by
MS. SARAH NAUMER,
Appearing for Verizon North Inc. and
Verizon South Inc.;

ROWLAND & MOORE, by
MR. THOMAS A. ROWLAND
Appearing for XO ILLINOIS, INC.;

MR. JAMES WEGING
Appearing for Staff.

SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by
Christine L. Kowalski, RPR

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<u>Witnesses:</u> (None.)	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Cross</u>	<u>direct</u>	<u>cross</u>	<u>Examiner</u>
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1 (Whereupon, Staff
2 Exhibit No. 1 was
3 marked for identification
4 as of this date.)

5 JUDGE RILEY: Pursuant to the direction of the
6 Illinois Commerce Commission, I call Docket 03-0671.
7 This is a joint petition between Verizon North,
8 Verizon South, Incorporated, and XO Illinois,
9 Incorporated, regarding the adoption of an
10 Interconnection Agreement.

11 And beginning with Counsel for
12 Verizon, would you enter an appearance for the
13 record.

14 MS. NAUMER: Sarah Naumer at the law firm
15 Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal, 8000 Sears Tower,
16 Chicago, Illinois 60606 appearing on behalf of
17 Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc.

18 JUDGE RILEY: Thank you. And for XO Illinois.

19 MR. ROWLAND: Thomas Rowland of the law firm of
20 Rowland & Moore, 77 West Wacker, Suite 4600,
21 Chicago, Illinois 60601 --

22 JUDGE RILEY: Thank you.

1 MR. ROWLAND: -- on behalf of XO Illinois.

2 JUDGE RILEY: Excuse me. And for Staff.

3 MR. WEGING: James Wearing, 160 North LaSalle
4 Street, Suite C-800, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

5 JUDGE RILEY: Thank you. Let the record reflect
6 there are no other appearances. And I'll turn to
7 Staff Counsel at this point and ask has there been a
8 verified statement filed in this matter?

9 MR. WEGING: Yes. Staff has filed and served the
10 verified statement of A. Olusanjo Omoniyi.
11 Mr. Omoniyi recommends approval of the underlying
12 agreement, finding nothing discriminatory and
13 nothing against the public interest.

14 It's subject to the post-approval
15 requirements that Verizon -- or the Verizons amend
16 their tariffs to indicate the existence of this
17 agreement and that Verizon file a verified statement
18 with the Clerk's Office indicating that the approved
19 agreement in this case is the same as the agreement
20 that was filed with the verified petition but
21 without the Verizon adoption letter as it's
22 so-called.

1 In view of all that, I will
2 identify the verified statement of A. Olusanjo
3 Omoniyi as found of the Commission e-Docket as Staff
4 Exhibit 1 and move that it be admitted into the
5 record evidence. I note for the record it was filed
6 December 5th at 1:56 p.m. and bears Tracking
7 No. 41770.

8 JUDGE RILEY: Thank you. And is there any
9 objection to the admission of Staff Exhibit 1 from
10 Verizon?

11 MS. NAUMER: No objection, your Honor.

12 JUDGE RILEY: Any objection from XO Illinois?

13 MR. ROWLAND: No objection.

14 JUDGE RILEY: Then Staff Exhibit 1 is admitted
15 into evidence.

16 (Whereupon, Staff
17 Exhibit No. 1 was
18 admitted into evidence as
19 of this date.)

20 JUDGE RILEY: Was there anything further from
21 Staff?

22 MR. WEGING: Nothing from Staff.

1 JUDGE RILEY: Anything further from Verizon?

2 MS. NAUMER: We would move for submission of --
3 to the extent it has already been deemed to be in
4 evidence, the joint petition of Verizon North Inc.
5 and Verizon South Inc. and XO Communications as well
6 as all the exhibits thereto that were filed on
7 e-Docket in this proceeding.

8 JUDGE RILEY: What exhibits were --

9 MS. NAUMER: A copy of the Interconnection
10 Agreement itself, the amendment thereto, the
11 statements in support by both Verizon North Inc. and
12 Verizon South Inc. as well as XO Communications --

13 JUDGE RILEY: Generally we take the view that the
14 petitions in this matter are the catalyst --

15 MS. NAUMER: Okay.

16 JUDGE RILEY: -- for the matter itself, and they
17 don't have to be admitted and into evidence.

18 MS. NAUMER: Okay.

19 JUDGE RILEY: Does Staff have anything to add?

20 MR. WEGING: The only thing I can think of is
21 sometimes when the verified statements had to be
22 altered because they filed the wrong one, we

1 occasionally got into admission of the verified
2 statements from the company. But other than that,
3 it's usually considered there already.

4 JUDGE RILEY: Right.

5 MS. NAUMER: Okay.

6 JUDGE RILEY: That's the way we view the
7 petitions, right.

8 MR. ROWLAND: And with respect to your witness's
9 testimony, the reference to the XO adoption letter
10 is not part of the record now.

11 MR. WEGING: Right.

12 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Then I will direct the
13 court reporter to mark this matter heard and taken.
14 Thank you.

15 MR. ROWLAND: Thank you.

16 MS. NAUMER: Thank you.

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