

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

VERIZON NORTH INC. AND)
VERIZON SOUTH INC.)
AND)
INSIGHT PHONE OF ILLINOIS , LLC)
D/B/A INSIGHT PHONE)
Joint Petition Regarding the) Docket No. _____
Approval of an Interconnection Agreement)

**STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT BETWEEN VERIZON NORTH INC. AND VERIZON SOUTH INC.
AND INSIGHT PHONE OF ILLINOIS, LLC D/B/A INSIGHT PHONE**

Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc. (collectively “Verizon”) make the following Statement in Support of the Approval of an Interconnection Agreement Between Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc. and Insight Phone of Illinois, LLC d/b/a Insight Phone (“Insight Phone”).

1. The filed Agreement (“Agreement”) between Verizon and Insight Phone, attached as Exhibit 1, was voluntarily negotiated between the parties.
2. Verizon will make the arrangements set forth in the proposed Agreement available on the same terms and conditions to any duly authorized telecommunications carrier operating in Verizon’s territories within the State of Illinois in accordance with any and all applicable legal provisions. Thus, the filed Agreement is non-discriminatory.
3. Among other things, the filed Agreement establishes the terms and conditions for the interconnection, resale and unbundling of telecommunications

services. Such agreements are to be encouraged. Thus, the filed Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

4. The rates set forth in the agreement are reasonable and compensatory.

WHEREFORE, Verizon respectfully submits this Statement in Support of the Agreement between Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc. and Insight Phone of Illinois, LLC d/b/a Insight Phone.

Respectfully submitted this ____ day of _____ 2006.

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