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**The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM for ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

(Effective: 09/19/2007)

(Pursuant to Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD)

In the Matter of the Application of Verizon North Inc. f/k/a )  
 GTE North Incorporated for the Review of an Agreement )  
 Pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of )  
 1996 )

TRF Docket No. 90-5023

Case No. 08 - 630-TP - REC

Name of Registrant(s) Verizon North Inc.

DBA(s) of Registrant(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Consumer Contact Information Cassandra Cole

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Motion for protective order included with filing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? ☐ Yes ☒ No [Note: Waivers may toll any automatic timeframe.]

**Section I – Pursuant to Chapter 4901:11-6 OAC – Part I – Please indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below. CMRS providers: Please see the bottom of Section II.**

NOTES: (1) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.

(2) Information regarding the number of copies required by the Commission may be obtained from the Commission's web site at [www.puco.ohio.gov](http://www.puco.ohio.gov) under the docketing information system section, by calling the docketing division at 614-466-4095, or by visiting the docketing division at the offices of the Commission.

Carrier Type <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CLEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CTS	<input type="checkbox"/> AOS/IOS
<b>Tier 1 Regulatory Treatment</b>				
Change Rates within approved Range	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)		
New Service, expanded local calling area	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)		
Change Terms and Conditions, Introduce non-recurring service charges	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)		
Introduce or Increase Late Payment or Returned Check Charge	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)		
Business Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)		
Withdrawal	<input type="checkbox"/> ATW 1-6-12(A) (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATW 1-6-12(A) (Auto 30 days)		
Raise the Ceiling of a Rate	Not Applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> SLF 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)		
<b>Tier 2 Regulatory Treatment</b>				
Residential - Introduce non-recurring service charges	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)		
Residential - Introduce New Tariffed Tier 2 Service(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(C) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(C) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(C) (0 day Notice)	
Residential - Change Rates, Terms and Conditions, Promotions, or Withdrawal	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	
Residential - Tier 2 Service Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	
Commercial (Business) Contracts	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	
Business Services (see "Other" below)	Detariffed	Detariffed	Detariffed	
Residential & Business Toll Services (see "Other" below)	Detariffed	Detariffed	Detariffed	

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## Section I – Part II – Certificate Status and Procedural

<b>Certificate Status</b>	<b>ILEC</b>	<b>CLEC</b>	<b>CTS</b>	<b>AOS/IOS</b>
Certification (See Supplemental ACE form)		<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 days)
Add Exchanges to Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-09(C) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AAC 1-6-10(F) (0 day Notice)	CLECs must attach a current CLEC Exchange Listing Form	
Abandon all Services - With Customers	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(A) (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(A) (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)
Abandon all Services - Without Customers		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(A) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)
Change of Official Name	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Merger	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
<b>Procedural</b>				
Designation of Process Agent(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)

All Section I applications that result in a change to one or more tariff pages require, at a minimum, the following exhibits. Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s).

Exhibit	Description:
A	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s) as they exist before the change(s)
B	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the right margin.
C	A short description of the nature of the change(s), the intent of the change(s), and the customers affected.
D	A copy of the notice provided to customers, along with an affidavit that the notice was provided according to the applicable rule(s).

## Section II – Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to 95-845-TP-COD), CMRS and Other

<b>Carrier to Carrier</b>	<b>ILEC</b>	<b>CLEC</b>		
Interconnection agreement, or amendment to an approved agreement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NAG (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG (Auto 90 day)		
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB (Non-Auto)		
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,		<input type="checkbox"/> ATA (Auto 30 day)		
Introduce or change access service pursuant to 07-464-TP-COI	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA (Auto 30 day)			
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)		
Pole attachment changes in terms and conditions and price changes.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)		
<b>CMRS Providers</b> See 4901:1-6-15	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)		
<b>Other*</b> (explain) _____				

\*NOTE: During the interim period between the effective date of the rules and an Applicant's Detariffing Filing, changes to existing business Tier 2 and all toll services, including the addition of new business Tier 2 and all new toll services, will be processed as 0-day TRF filings, and briefly described in the "Other" section above.

### Section III. – Attestation

Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission.

#### AFFIDAVIT

##### *Compliance with Commission Rules and Service Standards*

I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, Verizon North Inc., and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.  
(Name)

I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS) Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-5 OAC for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards, as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply with the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to operate within the state of Ohio.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ at (Location) \_\_\_\_\_

\*(Signature and Title) \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

- *This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.*

#### VERIFICATION

I, William H. Keating verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Application Form for Routine Proceedings provided by the Commission and that all of the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\*(Signature and Title) William H. Keating MC

(Date) 5/23/08

*\*Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.*

*Send your completed Application Form, including all required attachments as well as the required number of copies, to:*

**Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Attention: Docketing Division  
180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793**

**Or**

***Make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR***

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Verizon	)	
North Inc. f/k/a GTE North Incorporated for	)	
Approval of a Negotiated Amendment with	)	Case No. 08 – 630 -- TP -- AEC
Norlight, Inc. Under Section 252 of the	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.	)	

VERIZON NORTH INC. f/k/a GTE NORTH INCORPORATED AND  
Norlight, Inc.  
APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT No. 1  
(ORIGINAL AGREEMENT FILED IN 08-629-TP-NAG)  
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

Verizon North Inc., f/k/a GTE North Incorporated ("Verizon") hereby files the attached Interconnection Amendment No. 1 ("the Amendment No. 1") between Verizon and Norlight, Inc. ("Norlight") (Verizon and Norlight being referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party") for review and approval by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission") pursuant to the provisions of Section 252 (e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("the Act"). This filing is being made pursuant to the Act and in accordance with part VI.A. of the Commission's Entry in Case No. 96-463-TP-UNC dated July 18, 1996.

The Amendment No. 1 has been arrived at through negotiations between the parties as contemplated by Section 252 (a)(1) of the Act.

As contemplated by Section 252 (e)(2)(A), the Amendment does not discriminate against another telecommunications carrier, nor will implementation of the Amendment be inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. In accordance with Section 252 (e)(4) of the Act, the Amendment will be deemed approved if the Commission does not act to approve or reject the Amendment within 30 days from the date of this Application.

WHEREFORE, VERIZON respectfully requests that the Commission approve the Amendment as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

VERIZON NORTH INC. f/k/a  
GTE NORTH INCORPORATED

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**AMENDMENT NO. 1**  
**TO THE**  
**INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**VERIZON NORTH INC.**  
**AND**  
**NORLIGHT, INC.**

This Amendment No. 1 (this "Amendment") shall be deemed effective on March 18, 2008 (the "Amendment Effective Date"), by and between Verizon North Inc. ("Verizon"), a Wisconsin corporation with offices at 8001 West Jefferson, Ft. Wayne, IN 46804 and Norlight, Inc. ("Norlight"), a Kentucky corporation with offices at 3701 Communications Way, Evansville, Indiana 47715. (Verizon and Norlight may be hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" and, collectively, as the "Parties"). This Amendment only covers the services addressed herein that Verizon provides in its operating territory in the State of Ohio (the "State").

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, Verizon and Norlight are Parties to an interconnection agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") dated March 18, 2008 (the "Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2001, in the Order on Remand and Report and Order, *In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic*, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98 and 99-68, 16 FCC Rcd 9151 ("Order"), the Federal Communications Commission affirmed its prior determination that Internet traffic is not subject to Reciprocal Compensation under Section 251(b)(5) of the Act, but exercised its authority under Section 201 of the Act to establish a transitional plan for intercarrier compensation for Internet traffic that is not V/FX Traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Order, Verizon has elected to offer an optional Reciprocal Compensation rate plan for traffic subject to Section 251(b)(5) of the Act, under which such traffic exchanged between Verizon and a local exchange carrier or CMRS provider in Verizon's service territory in a given state will be subject to compensation at the same rate applicable to intercarrier compensation for Internet traffic (that is not V/FX Traffic) in Verizon's service territory in that state under the terms of the Order; and

**WHEREAS**, Norlight has requested that the Parties amend the Agreement to address the matters set forth herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Amendment to Agreement. The Agreement is amended to incorporate the terms and conditions set forth in this Amendment, all of which shall apply to and be a part of the Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Amended Agreement") notwithstanding any other term or condition of the Amended Agreement, a Tariff or a Verizon Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions ("SGAT").
  - 1.1 Reciprocal Compensation Rate.
    - 1.1.1 The Reciprocal Compensation Rate that shall apply pursuant to Section 251(b)(5) of the Act and Section 7 of the Interconnection Attachment of the Agreement for the transport and termination of Reciprocal Compensation Traffic shall be the Reciprocal Compensation Rate set out in Exhibit A to this Amendment.
    - 1.1.2 [Intentionally Left Blank].
    - 1.1.3 The Reciprocal Compensation Rate provided for in Section 1.1.1 above shall replace and apply in lieu of the Reciprocal Compensation Rate for the transport and termination of Reciprocal Compensation Traffic set out in the Agreement (including, but not limited to, the Reciprocal Compensation Rate set out in Appendix A to the Pricing Attachment, Section A-1, "Reciprocal Compensation Traffic Termination").
    - 1.1.4 The Reciprocal Compensation Rate provided for in Section 1.1.1 above shall apply to the Parties in an equal and symmetrical manner.
    - 1.1.5 The Reciprocal Compensation Rate (including, but not limited to, per minute of use rates) billed by Norlight to Verizon shall not exceed the Reciprocal Compensation Rate (including, but not limited to, per minute of use rates) billed by Verizon to Norlight.
    - 1.1.6 The rates provided for in Section 1.1.1 above shall apply until such time as they are replaced prospectively by such new rates as may be approved or allowed into effect from time to time by the Commission pursuant to FCC orders and FCC regulations, or by the FCC, subject to a stay or other order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
  - 1.2 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to traffic that is not subject to Reciprocal Compensation under Section 251(b)(5) of the Act.
  - 1.3 "Internet Traffic" means any traffic that is transmitted to or returned from the Internet at any point during the duration of the transmission.
  - 1.4 [Intentionally Left Blank].
  - 1.5 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Internet Traffic, or to any traffic that does not originate and terminate within the same basic exchange area as defined by Verizon, based on the actual originating and terminating points of the complete end-to-end communication.
  - 1.6 The Parties' rights and obligations with respect to any intercarrier compensation that may be due in connection with their exchange of Internet Traffic shall be governed by the terms of the Order and other applicable FCC orders and FCC regulations, including, without limitation, the Order in Petition of Core

Communications, Inc. for Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) from Application of the ISP Remand Order, 19 FCC Rcd 20179, WC Docket No. 03-171 (2004) (the "Core Order").

- 1.7 The determination of whether traffic is Reciprocal Compensation Traffic or Internet Traffic shall be performed in accordance with Paragraphs 8 and 79, and other applicable provisions, of the Order (including, but not limited to, in accordance with the rebuttable presumption established by the Order that traffic delivered to a carrier that exceeds a 3:1 ratio of terminating to originating traffic is Internet Traffic, and in accordance with the process established by the Order for rebutting such presumption before the Commission), as modified by the Core Order and other applicable orders and rules of the FCC.

2. Miscellaneous Provisions.

- 2.1 Conflict Between this Amendment and the Agreement. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and conditions of the Agreement to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and conditions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Amendment and the terms and conditions of the Agreement, this Amendment shall govern; provided, however, that the fact that a term or condition appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this Section 2.
- 2.2 Capitalization. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Amended Agreement.
- 2.3 Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 2.4 Captions. The Parties acknowledge that the captions in this Amendment have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and in no way define or limit the scope or substance of any term or condition of this Amendment.
- 2.5 Scope of Amendment. This Amendment shall amend, modify and revise the Agreement only to the extent set forth expressly in this Amendment and, except to the extent expressly set forth in this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect after the Amendment Effective Date.
- 2.6 Joint Work Product. The Parties acknowledge that this Amendment is the joint work product of the Parties, that, for convenience, this Amendment has been drafted in final form by Verizon and that, accordingly, in the event of ambiguities in this Amendment, no inferences shall be drawn for or against either Party on the basis of authorship of this Amendment.
- 2.7 Amendments. No amendments or modifications shall be made to this Amendment unless in writing and signed by appropriate representatives of the Parties.
- 2.8 Waivers. A failure or delay of either Party to enforce any of the provisions of this Amendment, or any right or remedy available under this Amendment, or at law or in equity, or to require performance of any of the provisions of this Amendment,

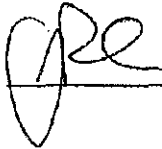
or to exercise any option that is provided under this Amendment, shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provisions, rights, remedies or options.

- 2.9 Definitions. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Agreement, this Amendment or any Verizon Tariff or SGAT, the term "Tariff," as used in this Amendment, shall mean: (a) Any applicable Federal or state tariff of a Party, as amended from time to time; or (b) any standard agreement or other document, as amended from time to time, that sets forth the generally available terms, conditions and prices under which a Party offers a Service. The term "Tariff" does not include any Verizon Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT) which has been approved or is pending approval by the Commission pursuant to Section 252(f) of the Act.
- 2.10 No Arbitrage. Norlight represents and warrants that as of the Amendment Effective Date, and covenants that so long as this Amendment and the Agreement remain in effect, neither Norlight, nor any competitive local exchange carrier controlled by or under common control with Norlight, shall exchange with Verizon, or any incumbent local exchange carrier controlled by or under common control with Verizon, Reciprocal Compensation Traffic or Measured Internet Traffic for the State of Ohio at any rates other than the rates for such traffic as specified in this Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed as of the Amendment Effective Date.

NORLIGHT, INC.

By:

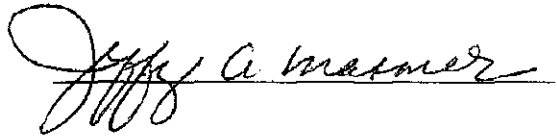


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Title: President

VERIZON NORTH INC.

By:



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Title: Vice President – Interconnection Services

**EXHIBIT A**

**A. SERVICES, FACILITIES, AND ARRANGEMENTS:**

<b><u>Service or Element Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Recurring Charges:</u></b>	<b><u>Non-Recurring Charge:</u></b>
<b>I. Reciprocal Compensation Traffic Termination</b>		
Reciprocal Compensation Traffic	Amendment Effective Date and thereafter -- \$0.0007 per minute of use	Not Applicable

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