BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Verizon)	
North Inc. for Approval of an Alternative)	
Form of Regulation of Basic Local Exchange)	Case No. 08-989-TP-BLS
Service and Other Tier 1 Services Pursuant)	
to Chapter 4901:1-4, Ohio Administrative)	
Code.)	

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On August 29, 2008, Verizon North Inc. (Verizon) filed an application seeking the approval of an alternative form of regulation of basic local exchange service and other Tier 1 services in 24 Ohio exchanges.
- (2) On September 4, 2008, the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) filed a motion to intervene. The attorney examiner granted OCC's motion to intervene on October 10, 2008.
- (3) On October 17, 2008, OCC filed a pleading opposing Verizon's application.
- (4) Verizon filed a memorandum in response to OCC's pleading on October 27, 2008. In addition, Verizon supplemented its application and, as an alternative, included a motion for leave to file a supplement to its application.
- (5) On October 29, 2008, the OCC moved for an expedited ruling to grant an additional five days to file a reply memorandum. OCC explains that Verizon's supplemental filing consists of more than 80 pages of material. OCC contends that it cannot examine and analyze the supplemental material within the ten days allotted by the attorney examiner's October 10, 2008, entry. OCC requests an extension of time to address in one pleading the substantive and procedural aspects of Verizon's October 27, 2008, filing.

(6) OCC's motion is reasonable and should be granted. Because the scheduled date for the reply passed prior to the date of this entry, the attorney examiner will allow OCC until November 7, 2008, to file a pleading in response to Verizon's supplemental material and its motion for leave to supplement its application.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That OCC is allowed until November 7, 2008, to file a response to Verizon's October 27, 2008, filing. It is, further,

ORDERED, That copies of this entry be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

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