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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Verizon North, Inc. for Authority to Sell up to $980,000,000 of New Debt.	)))	Case No. 08-1139-TP-AIS

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

(1) Applicant, Verizon North, Inc., an Ohio corporation, is a public utility and a telephone company pursuant to Sections 4905.02 and 4905.03 (A) (2), Revised Code, and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

(2) This Application, as supplemented, (the "Application") is filed under the provisions of Sections 4905.40 and 4905.41, Revised Code.

(3) Applicant is requesting Commission authority to issue up to $980 million of notes and/or debentures ("New Debt"), in one or more transactions, through December 31, 2010, as described in the Application and Exhibits.

(4) The New Debt will be issued on a private placement basis at a negotiated price with affiliated or non-affiliated entities, as described in the Application and Exhibits.

(5) The proceeds from the sale of the New Debt will be used primarily for the purpose of refunding outstanding long-term indebtedness, and refinancing short-term obligations, as described in the Application and Exhibits, all pursuant to the provisions of Section 4905.40, Revised Code.

(6) The principal amount of the New Debt, the probable cost, and other terms do not appear to be unjust or unreasonable.

(7) In order to keep the Commission fully apprised of the status of the authority granted in its Order in this proceeding, Applicant has stated that it intends to file a report with the Commission outlining the terms and full particulars regarding the issuance of the New Debt within 14 days of issuance. Applicant has also stated that each April, after the issuance of the New Debt and for the duration of this authority, Applicant will submit a detailed statement to the

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Commission showing the disposition of the proceeds of its financing activities until all the proceeds have been expended.

(8) Based on the information contained in the Application, the Exhibits thereto, the purposes to which the proceeds from the New Debt shall be applied appear to be reasonably required for Applicant's lawful capital purposes and the Commission is satisfied that consent and authority should be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Verizon North is authorized through December 31, 2010, to issue up to $980 million of notes and/or debentures, in one or more transactions, as described in the Application and Exhibits. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the proceeds of the New Debt are to be used for the purposes set forth in this Order and otherwise pursuant to Section 4905.40, Revised Code. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Applicant shall file with this Commission reports containing the terms and provisions of each issuance of the New Debt and the disposition of funds as set forth in Finding 7. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Order shall be construed to imply any guaranty, obligation or endorsement of the New Debt or the interest thereon on the part of the State of Ohio. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Order shall be construed to imply any guaranty or obligation by the Commission to assure the completion of any specific project of the Applicant. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Order shall be deemed to be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule or regulation of the Applicant. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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