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May 24, 2010

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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Room TW A325 Washington, DC 20554

RE:

Verizon's April 30, 2010 Section 63.71 and 63.19 Application of Verizon to Discontinue Post-Paid Calling Card Services, Personal Toll-Free and Away From Home Services and Verizon's April 26, 2010 Section 63.71 and 63.19 Application of Verizon to Discontinue SmartTouch.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

A few customers have submitted comments concerning Verizon's April 30, 2010 application to discontinue Post Paid Calling Card, Away from Home and Personal Toll-Free Services and Verizon's April 26, 2010 application to discontinue SmartTouch. Specifically, two customers have expressed concern that their prepaid calling cards would be impacted by the proposed discontinuances. As indicated in Verizon's response to these customers, prepaid calling card services will not be impacted by the proposed discontinuances. Another customer expressed concern about the availability of low priced long distance services following the SmartTouch discontinuance. Verizon's customer account team has reached out to this customer to help him identify a new long distance calling plan that would best meet his needs. Copies of Verizon's responses to these customers are attached as Exhibit A.

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As Verizon explained in its discontinuance applications, the public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by the proposed service discontinuance because there are many alternative providers of long distance services nationwide. Accordingly, the Commission should authorize the proposed discontinuances.

Sincerely,

Ann Berkowitz

Attachments

cc: Mindel De La Torre, Chief, International Bureau

Secretary of Defense, Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications

Public Utilities Commission of Each Impacted State

Governor of Each Impacted State

and Butor

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 24th day of May 2010, I served a copy of the foregoing by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following on the attached service list.

/s/ Rashann R. Duvall
Rashann R. Duvall

#### SERVICE LIST

Governor and Public Utilities Commission impacted by Verizon's Application to discontinue Post Paid Calling Card, Away from Home and Personal Toll-Free Services: all states excluding Hawaii, Alaska, Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire.

Governor and Public Utilities Commission impacted by Verizon's Application to discontinue SmartTouch: Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Iowa, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, and West Virginia.

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# **EXHIBIT A**



HQE04D35 P.O. Box 152013 Irving, TX 75015

Thu

#### Dear Thu

This is in response to your April 26, 2010 letter addressed to the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) expressing concern to the notice of service change effective July 1, 2010 regarding Verizon Long Distance (VZLD) post-paid calling cards.

The VZLD post-paid calling card service is associated with VZLD services. Review of telephone number indicates that you do not have a post-paid calling card. The notice of service change is not associated with the pre-paid calling card service readily available for consumers to purchase wherever pre-paid calling cards are sold.

We do apologize for any inconvenience.

Sincerely,

Demetrius Polinick

Verizon
P.O. Box 152013
HQE04D35
Irving, TX 75015
888-483-7770

Barry S.

#### Dear

This letter is in response to your May 4, 2010 letter addressed to the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) expressing concern with regard to the notice of service change effective July 1, 2010 regarding Verizon Long Distance (VZLD) Smart Touch service.

Unfortunately, VZLD will no longer be providing Smart Touch long distance services to our customers effective July 1, 2010. However, VZLD does offer a number of different plans, both domestic and international, that may meet your specific calling needs. Please contact me at the number or address provided above should you wish to discuss the options available to you as a VZLD customer.

We apologize for any inconvenience this change may have caused you.

Sincerely,

**Demetrius Polinick** 



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Daniel J.

#### Dear

This is in response to your April 26, 2010 letter addressed to the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) expressing concern to the notice of service change effective July 1, 2010 regarding Verizon Long Distance (VZLD) post-paid calling cards.

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