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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

Arizona Corporation Commission

COMMISSIONERS

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- MARC SPITZER, Chairman
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- JEFF HATCH-MILLER
- MIKE GLEASON

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VERIZON OF CALIFORNIA, INC. FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN ASSETS USED TO PROVIDE CUSTOMER-OWNED PAY TELEPHONE SERVICE IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. T-01846B-03-0053

DECISION NO. 65767

ORDER

Open Meeting
 March 11 and 12, 2003
 Phoenix, Arizona

BY THE COMMISSION:

Having considered the entire record herein and being fully advised in the premises, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") finds, concludes, and orders that:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Verizon of California, Inc. ("Applicant") has a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") to provide customer-owned pay telephone ("COPT") service in the State of Arizona pursuant to Decision No. 60533 (December 18, 1997).

2. On January 27, 2003, Applicant filed with the Commission an application for the sale of 54 pay telephones in two Arizona locations, indicating that it no longer wishes provides COPT service where those pay telephones are located because it is not economically viable to service them. The phones will be sold to another entity which presently has an application for a Certificate pending before the Commission for approval to be a COPT provider.

3. Verizon is not requesting the cancellation of its Certificate as it is continuing to provide service in Arizona locations where it is able to provide a high level of service.

4. On February 11, 2003, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") filed a Staff Report, recommending approval of the application to sell Applicant's payphones without a hearing as Applicant has waived its right to hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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1. Applicant is a public service corporation within the meaning of Article XV of the Arizona Constitution and A.R.S. §§ 40-281, 40-282, and 40-285.

2. The Commission has jurisdiction over Applicant and the subject matter of the application.

3. The approval of Applicant's application is in the public interest.

4. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-282, the Commission may issue Decisions regarding COPT Certificates without a hearing.

5. Staff's recommendation in Findings of Fact No. 4 is reasonable and should be adopted.

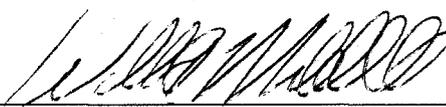
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ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the application of Verizon of California, Inc. for the sale of 54 payphones used to provide customer-owned pay telephone service shall be, and is hereby, approved.

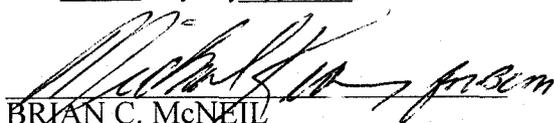
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION.

		
CHAIRMAN	COMMISSIONER	COMMISSIONER

	
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, BRIAN C. McNEIL, Executive Secretary of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this 20th day of MARCH, 2003.


 BRIAN C. McNEIL
 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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