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Re: Case No. 9013 (Consolidated) Interconnection Agreement

Dear Mr. Falvey and Ms. Paiva:

On May 3, 2022, Core Communications, Inc. (“Core”) and Verizon Maryland LLC (“Verizon”) each filed letters with the Commission attaching updated versions of the parties’ Interconnection Agreement (“ICA”) reflecting the Commission’s holdings based on Order No. 90023 (*Second Order on Arbitration Appeals*) dated January 3, 2022 and Order No. 90118 (*Order Denying Rehearing*) dated March 23, 2022. Both filings contain the parties’ agreed-upon terms and terms that have not been agreed to,<sup>1</sup> and request the opportunity for the parties to brief their positions.

In its filing Core requests 21 days for each party to file its brief and 14 days thereafter to file reply briefs. Core requests that the length for initial briefs not exceed 15 pages and that reply briefs not exceed 10 pages. Verizon requests that the Commission set a briefing schedule as proposed by Core.

The Commission finds that the parties’ request to file briefs limited to the outstanding issues is reasonable and will benefit the Commission in its consideration of this matter. Therefore, the parties’ request to file briefs and reply briefs limited to the issues noted above is granted. Initial briefs not exceeding 15 pages in length shall be filed with the Commission on or before May 27, 2022. Reply briefs not exceeding 10 pages may be filed within 14 days following receipt of the opposing party’s initial brief.

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ Andrew S. Johnston*

Andrew S. Johnston  
Executive Secretary

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<sup>1</sup> The parties were unable to agree to terms regarding: (i) Core’s proposed language pertaining to “Identification of VoIP-PSTN Traffic,”; (ii) Verizon’s inclusion of certain language regarding § 2.1.6 - Interconnection Agreement (Point of Interconnection and Trunk Types); (iii) language under § 2.2.1.1 - Interconnection Attachment (Trunk Types); (iv) § 10.6 - Interconnection Attachment (Tandem Transit Traffic); and (v) Appendix A to the Pricing Attachment, footnote 3 and Core’s proposed inclusion of language regarding VoIP-PSTN Traffic Rate.