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From: dradtke75@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2014 9:06 AM
To: Secretary, Board
Subject: Verizon New Jersey, Docket No. TO12020155

I just completed reading a March 13, 2014 article in Philly.com concerning Verizon and its obligation to provide all of the consumers in the state of New Jersey the option of choosing FiOS over cable.

Rather than spending the \$15 billion that NJ residents gave to Verizon for construction and installation, it appears that they are using that money to line the pockets of politicians so that they do not have to fulfill their promise. Just another example of big business dictating how our government should be run.

- What benefit does the government think that the residents will receive by allowing Verizon to back out of their promise?
- How much of the \$15 billion did Verizon actually use to install FiOS to the Northern and Central portions of the state? Where is the rest of the money going?
- Will Verizon offer to give the money back to the residents? I highly doubt it.

The residents deserve concrete answers, and not the normal political diarrhea that we are use to hearing. It is time for the Board of Public Utilities to step up for the residents of New Jersey and hold Verizon accountable to finish the project that was promised.

Sincerely,

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From: Andrew Bucko <andrewbucko@gmail.com>
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To: Secretary, Board
Subject: Verizon New Jersey, Docket No. TO12020155

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to you today in opposition to the Board of Public Utilities' proposed Stipulation of Agreement between the board and Verizon New Jersey regarding Verizon's compliance with Opportunity for New Jersey and Alternative Plan For Regulation.

The Board's proposal will relieve Verizon of their responsibility to deploy a next-generation high-speed fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) network, marketed as Verizon Fios. Previously, the Board required Verizon to fully deploy broadband service in its entire territory before the end of 2010. The Board also granted Verizon a statewide franchise for cable television programming in 2006, to be delivered, along with voice and broadband service, over its new Fios network.

Upon being granted this authority, Verizon began deploying its Fios network and service but, aside from mandated areas, only targeted the areas that it has considered to be most profitable. This action has left as much as 50% of the state without the fiber optic network we were promised. The result is that, in many areas, there is a de facto monopoly in the market of broadband Internet access.

As a concrete example, at my house, there is effectively only one option for wireline broadband: Cablevision's Optimum Online. Verizon only offers DSL and their speed tier available in my area is "up to" 3 Mbps down and 729 Kbps up. While this just barely meets the FCC's definition of broadband, due to the distance and line quality limitations of DSL, Verizon was only able to guarantee 1.1 Mbps down and 384 Kbps up, far below the FCC's definition.

The Board's current proposal would allow Verizon to use 4G LTE as an alternative for wireline deployment. While 4G LTE might, and I must stress might, be technologically by an alternative to wireline deployment, from a pricing standpoint, it is not.

According to the analysis firm Sandvine's Global Internet Phenomena Report, the mean for monthly fixed access broadband usage in Q1 2013 was 47.7 GB. Verizon's 4G LTE data access plan to satisfy this usage would be \$355.00/month (50 GB More Everything Plan). As a comparison, Verizon's Fios 15/5 Mbps plan \$49.99/month. Verizon's 4G LTE pricing is more than 7 times higher than their Fios pricing for the same level of usage.

The Board's proposal also defines broadband below the FCC's definition. Section 1c would define broadband as "data transmission service at speeds no less than the minimum speed of Verizon NJ's Digital Subscriber Line Services ("DSL") that is provided by Verizon NJ as of today's date". The minimum speed of Verizon's DSL service is 512 Kbps down and 384 Kbps up. This is far, far below the FCC's definition of broadband service. By defining broadband in this manner, the Board will cement New Jersey's access to substandard service levels.

The Board's proposed agreement is bad for New Jersey. It denies New Jersey universal access to the next-generation broadband services that the taxpayer and ratepayers have been paying for over the last decade and more. It also will leave New Jersey residents with the choice of much lower service levels or much higher prices. I urge the Board to completely scrap the proposal.

Sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern:

For a utility company to charge its customers to "install and upgrade" their systems, I feel like a cheated customer.

We have been wanting FiOS for several years. It is available across the street, and it seems that Verizon can't be bothered to install FiOS on our cul-de-sac of 6 homes.

It is my hope that there will be a class-action suit to refund all of Verizon's customers for the surcharges that were funding the FiOS project.

Sincerely,

A VERY unhappy customer in Parsippany.

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From: John Glaviano <jglaviano@lgarch.com>
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2014 7:48 AM
To: Secretary, Board
Subject: Opportunity New Jersey

Please do NOT allow Verizon to stop the expansion of their FIOS network in NJ. We live in East Greenwich Township, NJ and are currently Comcast customers. They are the only option in our area for high speed internet service. Wireless systems are much slower and unreliable. Without any other competition Comcast continues to raise their rates while reducing service. Please make sure that Verizon meets their obligation to provide fiber optic service to the residents of New Jersey.

Thank you!

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Subject: Verizon New Jersey, Docket No. TO12020155

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RE: Verizon New Jersey, Docket No. TO12020155

Dear Board Members:

I would like to declare my support for the proposed stipulation between your Board Staff and Verizon as it relates to Opportunity New Jersey. The stipulation will help ensure continued deployment of advanced communications services. Access to these services will not only benefit New Jersey's businesses and nonprofits, but consumers of all ages as well. I'm sure you will agree that advanced communications technologies have revolutionized how all residents and businesses in the Garden State communicate and we must ensure that future innovations by this industry find a home here in New Jersey.

New Jersey has benefitted from the significant investments Verizon has made here to build a robust communications network. Our state is now the most wired broadband state in the country and continued investment in broadband technologies will be critical to New Jersey's ongoing economic competitiveness.

Anything that helps our state of this nature will be a good thing!

Thank you for considering my views and for examining this issue so closely. I strongly urge you to approve the proposed stipulation without further delay.

Sincerely,
Joseph Caruana

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From: sales6 <sales6@sjzskai.com>
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To: Secretary, Board
Subject: Copper Scraps

Hi guys

This is SHijiazhuang Suokai Trading Co., Ltd .

We are dealling with **Copper Scraps** at very good quality!

***Copper Millberry Wire Scraps(99.9%min)**

***Copper Cables Scraps**

Pls feel free to contact us,we will show you a surprise price!

Hope hear from you soon!

Sincerely,
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From: nervlord@internode.on.net
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2014 1:18 AM
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Subject: "Verizon New Jersey, Docket No. TO12020155".

I would like to express my dissatisfaction as a resident of New Jersey that we are comprehending letting Verizon out of their obligation to roll out fibre to the state.

Please do not be blinded by their so called "experts" who will claim that 4G etc is completely futureproof, Simple science proves this wrong: Nothing is faster than the speed of light, which is what fibre services are delivered on, by having FIOS laid out in the state, every home will be cabled with Fibre.

Fibre optic is only limited by the process of converting the light signal into an electric signal. As technology continously improves the speed of fibre can improve, the most costly part of a fibre installation is the laying of the cables: The cables themselves are futureproof, it is only the optics at each end that will most likely need replacing.

The Speeds for 4g Vs Fibre Optic are NOT comparable, do not let the lobbyists fool you: While the raw output of 4g does seem impressive and close to fibre speeds, 4g is a shared medium, meaning the more people join the network, the slower the network performs.

Allowing Verizon to irk their responsibilities sells out the future generation of New Jersey citizens. Please hold them to account

Kind Regards

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