

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 09-M-0527 - Proceeding to Examine Issues Related to a
Universal Service Fund.

NOTICE FURTHER EXTENDING BRIEFING SCHEDULE

(Issued March 6, 2012)

Verizon New York Inc. (Verizon) submitted a request dated March 2, 2012, to extend by two weeks the current schedule for filing briefs on exceptions to the January 4, 2012, Recommended Decision in Phase II of this proceeding. The original briefing schedule was previously extended by one month at the request of Verizon and several other parties to allow time for the parties to attempt to negotiate a settlement of issues related to the Phase II Recommended Decision. Verizon's request for further extension states that it believes progress is being made and that there is a significant probability that a settlement agreement can be reached if negotiations continue. Trial staff of the Department of Public Service, the Cable Telecommunications Association of New York, Inc., Level 3 Communications LLC, the New York State Telephone Association Smaller ILECs, tw telecom of new york l.p., and the Utility Intervention Unit of the Department of State's Division of Consumer Protection support the extension request.

The Verizon request for further modification of the briefing schedule is granted. The briefing schedule is hereby modified as follows. For all parties briefs on exceptions are due electronically to the Secretary by e-filing through the Department's Document Matter and Management System

(DMM),¹ or to the Secretary at secretary@dps.ny.gov, by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, 2012. Those unable to submit electronically may mail or deliver them to Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, by the same deadline. Briefs opposing exceptions are due by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 19, 2012, following the same procedures.

(SIGNED)

JACLYN A. BRILLING
Secretary

¹ Why Register with DMM, [http://www.dps.ny.gov/DMM Registration.html](http://www.dps.ny.gov/DMM%20Registration.html); How to Register with DMM, <http://www.dps.ny.gov/e-file/registration.html>