

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held June 20, 2005

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Robert Holbrook, Steve Frias, Cindy Wilson-Frias, Alan Nault and Douglas Hartley.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission.

3682 - Narragansett Electric Co. – This docket relates to Narragansett's Petition for Approval of Settlement Agreement and Related Transactions Pertaining to Certain Standard Offer Wholesale Supply Agreements. Discussion was postponed in view of today's hearing on the docket being postponed until July 7, 2005.

3662 – Verizon Rhode Island – This docket relates to Verizon's interim rates in place (in RIPUC Tariff No. 18) to implement the FCC's new unbundled (UNE) rules as set forth in the TRO Remand Order issued February 4, 2005. The Commission approved Verizon's tariff revisions with the modification recommended by the Division. However, the Commission indicated it would consider a new issue of the cap of 10 DS1 transport circuits at the next open meeting based on a review of upcoming Verizon's data responses.

3669 – Island Hi-Speed Ferry LLC (IHSF) – The Commission discussed IHSF's Petition for Exemption From Part II of Commission's Rule and Petition for Modification of Rate Order Nos. 17619 & 17819 to allow IHSF to offer season's passes and volume discounts and proposed tariff. After review of the record, the following motions were made:

- Commission Holbrook moved to suspend IHSF's proposed tariff. The motion was not seconded.

- Chairman Germani moved to approve IHSF's petition. Commissioner Holbrook moved to deny IHSF's petition. Neither motion was seconded.

- The proposed tariff goes into effect on June 20, 2005 by operation of R.I.G.L. 39-3-11. While the Commissioners disagreed on the petition, the Commissioners agreed to require IHSF to report (in its annual report) on the level of usage and revenues resulting from the offering of season's passes and volume discount fares. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and unanimously passed. Vote 2-0.

A transcript of the Commission's June 20, 2005 open meeting discussion relating to Docket 3669 is available at the office of the Commission Clerk.

The open meeting adjourned at 2:16 P.M.