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Ms. Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick
Commission Secretary
The Public Service Commission
of the District of Columbia
1325 G Street, NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005

**Re: Formal Case No. 988 – District of Columbia Universal Service Trust Fund
Surcharge Compliance Filing – 2019 Surcharge (PUBLIC VERSION)**

Dear Ms. Westbrook-Sedgwick:

In compliance with the Rate Rebalancing Order No. 13842¹ issued on December 20, 2005, by the District of Columbia Public Service Commission, Verizon Washington, DC Inc. (“Verizon DC”) hereby files an original and six (6) copies of its General Regulations Tariff P.S.C.-D.C.-No. 201 establishing the 2019 Universal Service Trust Fund (“DC USTF”) surcharge based upon the DC USTF calendar year budget per Order No. 19737.

Verizon DC’s Confidential Attachment 1 contains information that Verizon DC considers to be confidential and proprietary. These portions are marked as “Verizon DC Confidential.” Pursuant to Commission Rule of Practice and Procedure 150.2, Verizon DC requests confidential treatment for this Verizon DC Confidential Information.

The Verizon DC Confidential Information contains information regarding Verizon DC’s line counts and revenues. This information is competitively sensitive data and its disclosure would put Verizon DC at a competitive disadvantage by providing valuable information to Verizon DC’s competitors.

Parties wishing to view this information may contact Verizon DC for an appropriate proprietary agreement or file with the Commission for a Proprietary Information Determination. Parties may seek a Commission ruling on contention at any time in this proceeding.

¹ Formal Case No. 988, *In the Matter of the Development of Universal Service Standards and the Universal Service Trust Fund for the District of Columbia*, Order No. 13842 (Dec. 20, 2005), ¶¶ 6,8.

In accordance with 15 DCMR §2801 *et seq.*, this surcharge is being updated: (1) to true-up the 2017-2018 payments with the amounts actually billed to customers; and (2) to adjust the surcharge for the 2019 assessment. This calculation is shown on Attachment I. Calculations in Attachment I are based on an implementation date of April 1, 2019. Pursuant to 15 DCMR §2815.4, any differential will be trued up in the next USTF surcharge compliance filing.

With this filing, the monthly per line surcharge will remain at \$0.05 per non-Centrex line and \$0.01 per Centrex line. Verizon DC requests that the Commission approve the surcharge by mid-March so Verizon DC can implement the new surcharge by April 1, 2019.²

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Mary Segrave-Primus at 267-768-6185 through December 28, 2018 and Edwin Reese at 202-515-2592 after that date.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Philip J. Wood, Jr.

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Attachments

cc: Sandra Mattavous-Frye, Esquire, People's Counsel

² Attachment 2 contains amendments to General Regulations Tariff P.S.C.-D.C.-No. 201, Section 1A.

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CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT I

CALCULATIONS OF THE SURCHARGE

This portion contains information which Verizon DC alleges to be proprietary. Please contact Verizon DC for an appropriate proprietary agreement or file with the Commission for a Proprietary Information Determination. Parties may see a Commission ruling on contention At any time in this proceeding.

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ATTACHMENT II

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SURCHARGES

A. GENERAL

DC Universal Service Trust Fund ("DC USTF") Surcharge

Verizon may recover no more than the amount of its contributions to the DC USTF. Any over-recovery in a year should be used as a reduction in the following year's surcharge calculation. Any under-recovery of contributions may, at the option of Verizon, be recovered in the following year. The amount of the DC USTF Surcharge shall be shown on bills rendered to customers.

B. REGULATIONS

This Surcharge is recovery for the amount of Verizon's contributions to the DC USTF from its non-lifeline retail customers, pursuant to the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations ("DCMR"), Title 15, Chapter 28, § 2815.

The surcharge amount shall be explicitly stated as a line item on Verizon's retail customers' bills (§ 2815.5).

The DC USTF Surcharge is applicable to all non-lifeline (Economy II) retail customers.

C. RATE

The DC USTF Surcharge will be assessed to Verizon's retail lines excluding its Economy II customers (lifeline customers).

The 1:8 ratio between non-Centrex and Centrex lines will be reflected.

As warranted, each year there will be a true up reflected in the following year's surcharge calculation to account for any over- or under-recovery of Verizon's payment into the DC USTF.

Effective April 1, 2019, the DC USTF Surcharge per line per month is:

Non-Centrex Line	\$0.05
Centrex Line	\$0.01

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