DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMISSIONER REDFORD

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: MAY 9, 2008

RE: TRAFFIC EXCHANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMBRIDGE

TELEPHONE COMPANY AND VERIZON WIRELESS; CASE NO.

CAM-T-08-01

BACKGROUND

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

DISCUSSION

On April 22, 2008, Cambridge Telephone Company submitted an Application for a traffic exchange and reciprocal compensation agreement with Verizon Wireless. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an agreement that includes terms, conditions, and rates under which the parties agree to interconnect the Commercial Mobile Radio Services (CMSR) network of Verizon and the Incumbent local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) network of Cambridge for purposes of exchanging local traffic.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes that the Application is consistent

with the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Application for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?

Grace Seaman

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