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Ms. Catrice C. Williams, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Cable
Two South Station, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Verizon Form 500 Amendment Petition

Dear Ms. Williams,

Thank you for notifying the Halifax Board of Selectmen concerning Verizon's petition of amend the requirements of Form 500. The Board of Selectmen discussed the petition at its meeting on Tuesday, April 7 and decided not to support this petition.

The information that Verizon seeks to delete has been public for decades and the Board does not see any need to restrict this information from the public. While the Board understands that Verizon is reluctant to provide this information because it may or may not provide competitors with an advantage, Verizon has had information from its competitors as to how well they are doing in the communities that they serve without the competitors being disadvantaged. In addition, this information provides the Town, which issues the license, with information as to how well the license holders are serving the public. Verizon's arguments are insufficient to necessitate this change.

If you have any further questions about this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Charlie Seelig
Town Administrator
Town of Halifax

