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Via Electronic Mail and Overnight Delivery

June 21, 2016

Ms. Sara Clark
Department Secretary
Administrative Unit
Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Cable
1000 Washington Street, Ste. 820
Boston, MA 02118-6500

Re: Granite Telecommunications LLC - Tariff Advice Letter No. 10, 2016 FCC USF/ICC Transformation Order/47 C.F.R. §51.911(c) Terminating Access Rate Reduction

Dear Ms. Clark:

Granite Telecommunications Inc. LLC's ("Granite") submits to the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("Department") an original, one three-hole punched, and three (3) copies of revised Sheets 2, 90 and 93 for incorporation into Granite's switched exchange access telecommunications service tariff, Massachusetts D.T.E. Tariff No 2, for incorporation into the Company's tariff. A \$100.00 tariff filing fee is also enclosed.

This submission is made pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, in Docket Nos. WC Docket No. 10-90, et al., FCC 11-161,¹ *Second Order on Reconsideration* in Docket Nos. WC Docket No. 10-90, et al., FCC 12-47,² Sections 51.911 and 61.26(c)³ of the FCC's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§51.911, 61.26(c) and the Department's May 23, 2015 *Notice*.⁴

¹ *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Dkt. No. 10-90 et al., *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 11-161 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*), *pets. for review pending*, *Direct Commc'ns Cedar Valley, LLC v. FCC*, No. 11-9581 (10th Cir. filed Dec. 8, 2011) (and consolidated cases).

² *Id.*, *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 12-47 (rel. April 25, 2014)

³ Pursuant to Section 61.26(c), "The benchmark rate for a CLEC's switched exchange access services will be the rate charged for similar services by the competing ILEC. If an ILEC to which a CLEC benchmarks its rates, pursuant to this section, lowers the rate to which a CLEC benchmarks, the CLEC must revise its rates to the lower level **within 15 days of the effective date of the lowered ILEC rate.**" [Emphasis supplied].

⁴ 2016 Intrastate Inter-carrier Compensation Rate Reduction Tariff Filings; Related ILEC Certifications and Data Submittals (May 23, 2016).

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Granite will comply with the above cited orders and rules by reducing its terminating intrastate end office rate element to \$0.0007 consistent with the corresponding Verizon Telephone Companies' June N, 2016 amendment to Tariff F.C.C. No. 1., effective July 1, 2016. Further, Granite disaggregates its terminating access Voice over Internet Protocol – Public Switched Telephone Network Traffic rates. Granite requests a July 1, 2016 effective date to comply.

Granite provides the following in support of this submission. Granite adopts the interstate terminating access rates set forth in the Verizon Telephone Companies' Tariff F.C.C. No. 11, Section 31, including the reduced Composite Terminating End Office Charge effective July 1, 2016. The Company's F.C.C. Tariff No. 1 incorporating the Verizon Telephone Company rates may be viewed at <https://apps.fcc.gov/etfs/public/tariff.action?idTariff=442>. A copy of the relevant interstate tariff page, Sheet 90.3, is also enclosed. As the Verizon Telephone Companies' terminating interstate access rates are adopted *verbatim*, no calculations are necessary or provided. A July 1, 2016 effective date is requested to enable the Company to comply with the above cited orders and rule.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping and returning the additional copy of this transmittal letter in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope provided for this purpose.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Questions may be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

MILLER ISAR, INC.

/s/ Andrew O. Isar

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Regulatory Consultants to
Granite Telecommunications, LLC

cc: Ms. Sara Clark (separate electronic copy via email to dtc.efiling@state.ma.us)

Enclosures

CHECK SHEET

The sheets of this tariff are effective as of the date shown. The original and revised sheets named below contain all changes from the original tariff and are in effect on the date shown. An asterisk (*) reflects the revision number of sheets included in a current filing with the Commission.

<u>Sheet</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Sheet</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Sheet</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Sheet</u>	<u>Revision</u>
1	Original	29	Original	57	Original	85	Original
2	Sixth*	30	Original	58	Original	86	Second
3	First	31	Original	59	Original	87	First
4	First	32	Original	60	Original	88	First
5	Original	33	Original	61	Original	89	First
6	Original	34	Original	62	Original	90	Fifth*
7	Original	35	Original	63	Original	91	Original
8	Original	36	Original	64	Original	92	Original
9	Original	37	Original	65	Original	93	Fourth*
10	Original	38	Original	66	Original		
11	Original	39	Original	67	Original		
12	Original	40	Original	68	Original		
13	Original	41	Original	69	Original		
14	Original	42	Original	70	Original		
15	Original	43	Original	71	Original		
16	Original	44	Original	72	Original		
17	Original	45	Original	73	Original		
18	Original	46	Original	74	Original		
19	Original	47	Original	75	Original		
20	Original	48	Original	76	Original		
21	Original	49	Original	77	Original		
22	Original	50	Original	78	Original		
23	Original	51	Original	79	Original		
24	Original	52	Original	80	Original		
25	Original	53	Original	81	Original		
26	Original	54	Original	82	Original		
27	Original	55	Original	83	Original		
28	Original	56	Original	84	Original		

Issued: June N, 2016

Effective: July 1, 2016

Issued By:

Robert T. Hale, Jr.
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RATES5.1 Access Service

		Nonrecurring Charge	
		First	Add'l
5.1.1	<u>Service Orders</u>		
A)	Service Implementation		
	1) Installation Charge	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2) Access Order Charge	\$0.00	\$0.00
	3) Cancellation Charge	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.1.2	<u>Switched Access</u>		
	Originating Access		
	Per minute of use		\$0.003722
	Terminating Access, per minute of use		
	Tandem Transport		\$0.000002
	Tandem Switching		\$0.001574
	Composite end office charge		\$0.0007

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RATES (cont'd)5.3 Primary Interexchange Carrier Charge

Multi-Line Business, per line \$4.31

5.4 VoIP-PSTN Traffic

Per origination minute of use \$0.003722

Per terminating minute of use

Tandem Transport \$0.000002

Tandem Switching \$0.001574

Composite end office charge \$0.0007

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RATES (cont'd)

5.1 Access Service (cont'd)

5.1.2 Switched Access (cont'd)

B) Continued

District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia

Verizon Telephone Companies Tariff FCC No. 1 Section 6

Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York

The Verizon Telephone Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 11 Section 31

California

Pacific Bell Telephone Company Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, Section 6

Nevada

Nevada Bell Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, Section 6

West Virginia

Frontier Telephone Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 Section 6

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont

The FairPoint Telephone Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 Section 31

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