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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications & Energy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
One South Station, **2nd**Floor
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Re: <u>DTE 06-52 - RNK Complaint</u>

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter is the parties' Joint Motion to Extend Briefing Schedule.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Alexander W. Moore

Enclosure

cc: John J. Keene, Jr., Hearing Officer

Paula Foley, Assistant General Counsel

Michael Isenberg, Director - Telecommunications Division

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

RNK Inc. d/b/a RNK Telecom	
V.) DTE No. 06-52
Verizon New England Inc. d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts)))

JOINT MOTION TO EXTEND BRIEFING SCHEDULE

The parties to the above-captioned proceeding, RNK Inc. and Verizon New England Inc., hereby move to extend the date for the parties to file their initial briefs to January 19, 2007, and the date by which they must file any reply briefs to February 9. As grounds for this motion, the parties state that following production of substantial data in response to data requests of the parties and the Department, the parties have entered into settlement negotiations, and the additional time is necessary to allow the parties to continue those discussions in an effort to resolve this matter without additional expenditure of resources by the parties or the Department. Respectfully submitted,

RNK, INC.

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.

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