251/252 Interconnection Agreements

CLECs and CMRS Providers may obtain interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements and certain other services from Verizon pursuant to a 251/252 agreement. In some states, a CLEC/CMRS Provider may also be able to obtain items it wishes to purchase pursuant to a Verizon tariff. The chart below provides process steps and contact references:

Formal Request
The CLEC/CMRS Provider sends a written request either via letter, fax or email asking for the initiation of negotiations under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to:
Verizon Partner Solutions
Contract Management 6929 North Lakewood Avenue
Tulsa, OK 74117
E-Mail: vpscontracts@verizon.com
The date the request is received by Verizon is considered to be the request start date.
Acknowledgement of Request
Upon receipt of the CLEC/CMRS Provider's request, Verizon sends a response to the CLEC/CMRS Provider which:
 Confirms receipt of the request letter Establishes start date of request.
 Requests completion of an information request form (IRF), which identifies basic CLEC/CMRS Provider information.
251/252 Agreement
Upon receipt of the IRF from the CLEC/CMRS Provider, Verizon will prepare the executable Agreement.
Filing the Agreement
A fully executed agreement will be submitted for approval to the applicable state commission. The respective state commission will approve or reject the agreement with written findings as to deficiencies.
In order to facilitate filing of a CLEC agreement and to provide service to a CLEC, Verizon requires evidence of the CLEC's state certification as a provider of local exchange service. You will be asked include your certificate/order/case number of authorization and the state commission approval date granting the authorization at the time of contract execution, so please take steps to seek your state certification early in the negotiation process. Please be advised that if your certification is not complete, Verizon may elect to not execute the agreement and make it effective until your certification has been approved by the applicable state commission.

Additional State Requirements

In the State of New Jersey:

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities requires the submission of a Resale Letter of Acknowledgment (LOA). This form is to be completed in lieu of resale certification with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. The LOA is presented to the CLEC for execution at the time the 251/252 agreement is sent for execution. The LOA must be signed and returned prior to submission to the Board for approval.



Please return completed letter of acknowledgment form to: Verizon New Jersey Inc. 9 Gates Avenue, 2nd floor Montclair, NJ 07042-3399 Attn: Sylvia Del Vecchio