

# Thank you.



#### **Putting Broadband in a Logical Context**

#### Just a little "bit" to think about......

- A bit is a tiny piece of data.
- A megabit is a 1M tiny pieces of data.
- A gigabit is roughly 1,000 megabits.
- A terabit is roughly 1,000 gigabits.
- At a rate of 1 gigabit/second (Gbps) an entire full length movie can be downloaded in 2 minutes.
- At a rate of 1 terabit/second (Tbps) an entire Blue-ray movie can be downloaded in 1 second.
- Verizon typical peak traffic in US alone equates to 8 terabits/second (Tbps).
- 8 terabits is roughly equal to 1.6M HD simultaneous movie streams.
- VZ has 90,000 miles of circuits capable of carrying 100 Gbps, enough to circle globe > 3 times.
- FiOS video on demand traffic spikes 60% during typical NE snowstorm (vs typical Thanksgiving).
- 32% portion of Netflix traffic flowing through VZ FiOS Internet traffic during peak usage time.

Nearly all of this has very little to do with the legacy landline network pre-fiber.



# Why we need Wireline Evolution

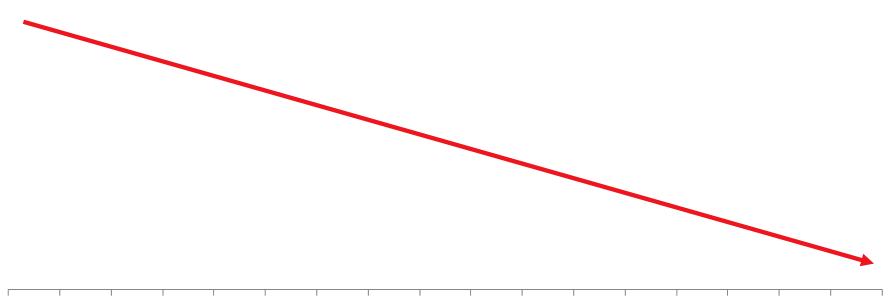




# 1) Copper utilization has been declining



## **Customers Are Fleeing Copper**



 $2000\,2001\,2002\,2003\,2004\,2005\,2006\,2007\,2008\,2009\,2010\,2011\,2012\,2013\,2014\,2015\,2016$ 

Significant loss of consumer copper lines



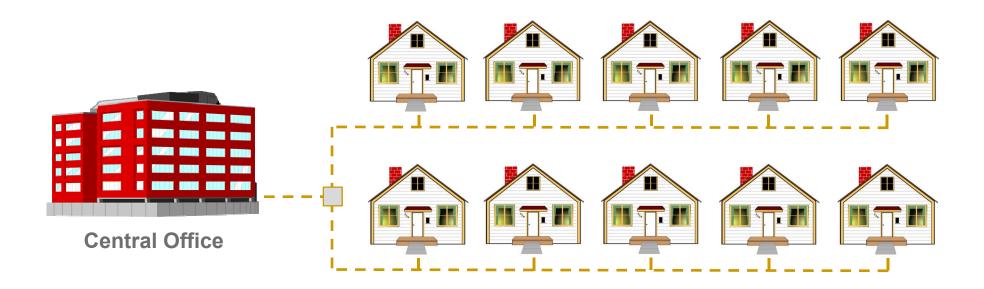
#### **Customer Options Continue to Grow**



#### **Customers have more choices than ever**



## Our Verizon Neighborhood - When I Started





## Our Verizon Neighborhood - 2012

 >30% already cut the cord











• 60% bundle











10%



#### Our Verizon Neighborhood - 2016

49%

 >30% already cut the cord











• 40% bundle











8%



# 2) Copper is fragile



## Copper Is Fragile

Copper deteriorates despite ongoing, expensive maintenance







Noise, crosstalk, static



# How can we best serve today's customer without sacrificing the future?





## **Wireline Evolution**



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#### What is Wireline Evolution?

#### Wireline Evolution Is

- A way to leverage the latest technology to meet the needs of our existing and future customers
  - Deliver better reliability & efficiency, leverage technology
  - Maintain & reduce customer cost
  - Position network for the future

#### Wireline Evolution Is Not

- The IP transition
- A way to charge customers more money
- Anti-competitive
- The complete end of copper



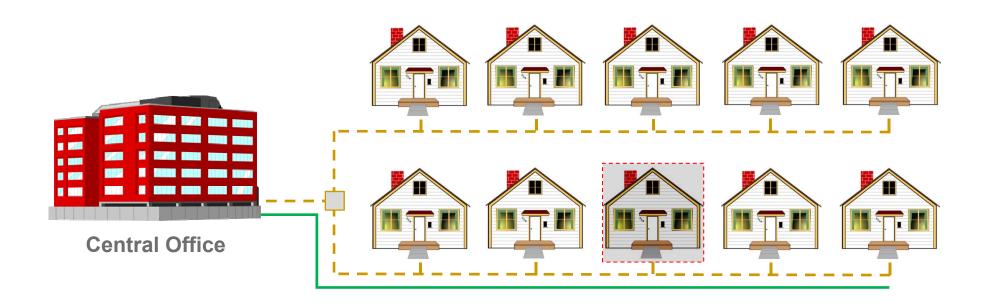
## **Identify Customers in Need**



## 10% of customers drive 70% of dispatches



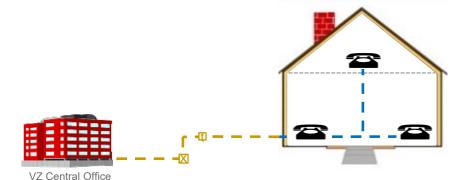
## Where Fiber Runs Parallel To Existing Copper



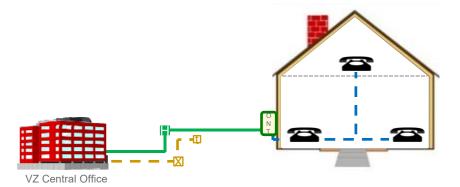


## **Fiber Migration Process**

#### **Copper-Fed Home Configuration**



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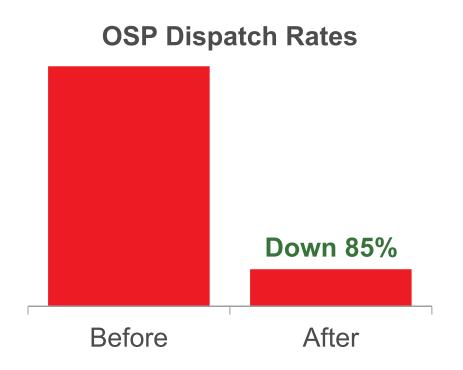


#### Over 5 million customers better-served



#### Where Are We Today?

- Over 5 million fiber migrations
- More than 3M dispatches avoided
  - Fewer service disruptions
  - Eliminates the need for the customer to wait for a service call

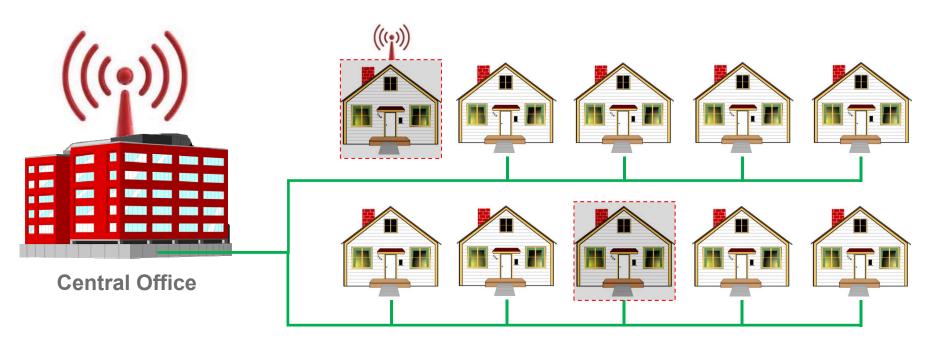




# Where do we go from here?



#### **Network Transformation**

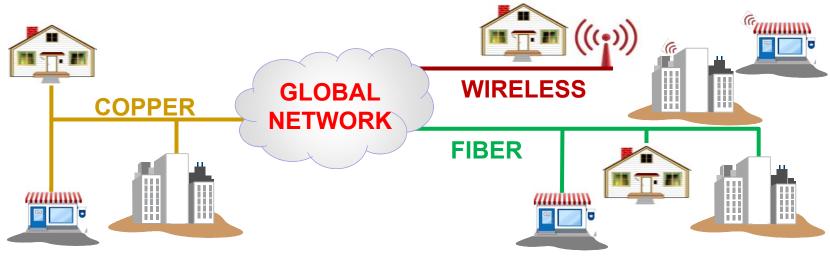


Fiber built out & over time most copper is eliminated.

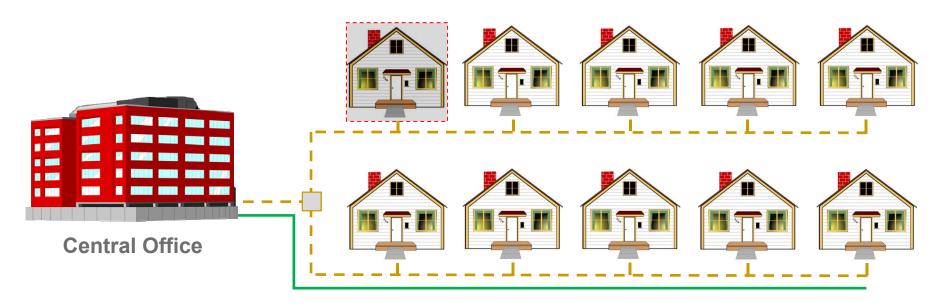


#### **Looking Ahead At Verizon**

- Continue to migrate customers to best service option.
- Pursue legacy plant retirement wherever practical.



## What Happens In Copper-Only Areas?



Access to, type, & timing of broadband migration is a business decision!



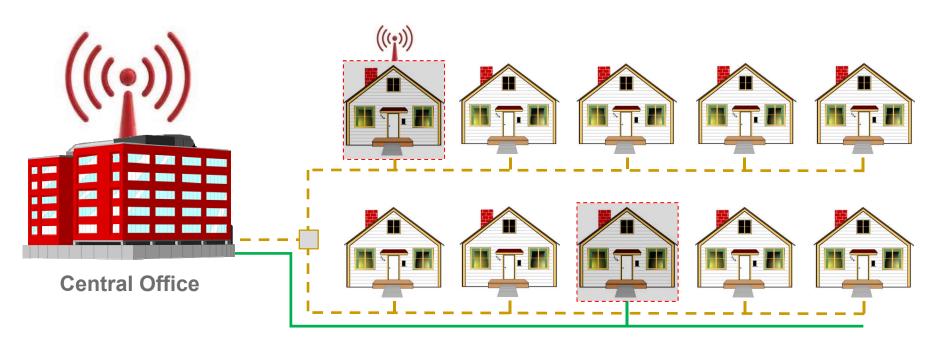
## What Happens In Copper-Only Areas?



... currently other options are available, with many more on the way.



## **Individual Customer Migrations**



Where limited fiber exists, driven by history, some copper likely remains.



#### **Putting Broadband in a Logical Context**

#### Just a little "bit" to think about; wireline & wireless trends not mutually exclusive!

- Broadband technology is critical to remaining a viable leader in the communications industry.
- Rapid network transformation is critical to making that transition to a 100% broadband world.
- Broadband migration is driven by customer demand for access, competition & deregulation.
- The timing & technology transition is & will remain a function of business cost-benefit analysis.
- Broadband expansion is at a hyper-critical point in the history of telecommunications networks.
- The transition of the wireless industry to a 5G platform is rapidly escalating the need for fiber.
- The next 10 years will be a period of historic transformation to a broadband & wireless world.
- Expect an explosion in M & A, industry consolidation, CAPEX investment, & device connectivity.
- Expect differences between landline & wireless; Telco & CATV to become virtually indiscernible.
- Expect competition to be intense inside & outside ILEC territories, across the nation & the world.
- Expect urban densely populated areas to experience the transition first....& the rest follow later.
- Current political climate will play a critical role in facilitating rapid infrastructure changes (maybe).

## Thank you.

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