

ATTACHMENT 21: NUMBERING

This Attachment 21: Numbering sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Parties will coordinate with respect to numbering resources consistent with the industry guidelines and with applicable law as administered by NANPA (North American Numbering Plan Administrator).

1. NUMBERING

- 1.1 Nothing in this Section will be construed to limit or otherwise adversely impact in any manner either Party's right to employ or to request and be assigned any NANP numbers including, but not limited to, central office (NXX) codes pursuant to the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines, or to establish, by tariff or otherwise, Exchanges and Rating Points corresponding to such NXX codes. Each Party is responsible for administering the NXX codes assigned to it.
- 1.2 Each Party agrees to make available to the other, via the LERG, up-to-date listings of its own assigned NPA-NXX codes, along with associated Rating Points and Exchanges. Pursuant to Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) Guidelines for the Administration of Telephone Numbers, revised August 15, 2003 (INC 01-0515-028), the Parties agree "that CO Codes/blocks allocated to a wireline Service Provider are to be utilized to provide service to a customer's premise located in the same rate center that the CO Codes/blocks are assigned. Exceptions exist, for example tariffed services such as foreign exchange service."
- 1.3 It will be the responsibility of each Party to program and update its own switches and network systems to recognize and route traffic to the other Party's assigned NXX codes at all times. The Parties agree to perform such programming and updating within industry standard intervals, provided that both Parties have met the requirements established within ATIS-approved industry guidelines. Neither Party will impose fees or charges on the other Party for such required programming and updating activities.
- 1.4 It will be the responsibility of each Party to input required data into the Telcordia Business Integrated Routing and Rating Database System (BIRRDs) and/or other appropriate system(s) necessary to update the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG), unless negotiated otherwise.
- 1.5 Neither Party is responsible for notifying the other Party's end users of any changes in dialing arrangements, including those due to NPA exhaust, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, the FCC, or a court.
- 1.6 During the term of this Agreement, where CLEC is utilizing its own switch to provide telecommunications services on its own behalf, or on the behalf of any customer of the CLEC, CLEC shall contact the North American Numbering Plan Administrator for the assignment of numbering resources.

2. NXX CODES

- 2.1 Each Party agrees to utilize NXX codes in a manner consistent with authorized industry standard rules and guidelines and any agency of governmental authority exercising appropriate jurisdiction.

3. CODE TRANSFER (A.K.A. NXX MIGRATION)

- 3.1 Code transfer, as described in industry guidelines (Industry Numbering Committee (INC) document INC 95-0407-008 "Central Office Code (NXX), Section 7), will be provided upon request. The Party that initiates a code transfer request from the other Party to itself agrees to pay an NXX Migration charge as set forth in the Pricing Appendix under "OTHER".