

APPENDIX RECORDING

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**APPENDIX RECORDING
(Recording, Message Processing And
Provision Of Interexchange Carrier Transported
Message Detail Appendix)**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions under which **SBC-13STATE** will provide recording, message processing and message detail services to a Facility-Based Provider as described in **Exhibit I** and **Exhibit II**, Exhibits I and II are part of this Appendix by reference. The terms and conditions under this Appendix will also apply when the Facility-Based Provider is the Recording Company.

2.0 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 3.1 **SBC-13STATE** will record all IXC transported messages for **LEVEL 3** carried over all Feature Group Switched Access Services that are available to **SBC-13STATE** provided recording equipment or operators. Unavailable messages (i.e., certain operator messages that are not accessible by **SBC-13STATE** provided equipment or operators) will not be recorded. The recording equipment will be provided at locations selected by **SBC-13STATE**.
- 3.2 **SBC-13STATE** will perform assembly and editing, message processing and provision of applicable access usage record detail for IXC transported messages if the messages are recorded by **SBC-13STATE**.
- 3.3 **SBC-13STATE** will provide access usage records that are generated by **SBC-13STATE**.
- 3.4 Assembly and editing will be performed on all IXC transported messages recorded by **SBC-13STATE**, during the billing period established by **SBC-13STATE** and selected by **LEVEL 3**.
- 3.5 Standard EMI record formats for the provision of billable message detail and access usage record detail will be established by **SBC-13STATE** and provided to **LEVEL 3**.
- 3.6 Recorded billable message detail and access usage record detail will not be sorted to furnish detail by specific end users, by specific groups of end users, by office, by feature group or by location.
- 3.7 **SBC-13STATE** will provide message detail to **LEVEL 3** in data files, (a File Transfer Protocol or Connect:Direct “NDM”), or any other mutually agreed upon process to receive and deliver messages using software and hardware acceptable to both parties.
- 3.8 In **Exhibit II**, **LEVEL 3** will identify separately the location where the data transmissions should be sent (as applicable) and the number of times each month the information should be provided, except for **SBC-2STATE**. For **SBC-2STATE**, **LEVEL 3** will identify the location and number of times each month the information should be provided via Appendix Data Exchange’s Technical Requirements Form document. **SBC-13STATE** reserves the right to limit the frequency of transmission to existing **SBC-13STATE** processing and work schedules, holidays, etc.

- 3.9 **SBC-13STATE** will determine the number data files required to provide the access usage record detail to **LEVEL 3**.
- 3.10 Recorded billable message detail and/or access usage record detail previously provided to **LEVEL 3** or **LEVEL 3**'s billing agent and lost or destroyed through no fault of **SBC-13STATE** will not be recovered and made available to **LEVEL 3** except on an individual case basis at a reasonable cost.
- 3.11 When **SBC-13STATE** receives rated billable messages from an IXC or another Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) that are to be billed by **LEVEL 3**, **SBC-13STATE** will forward those messages to **LEVEL 3** or **LEVEL 3**'s billing agent.
- 3.12 **SBC-13STATE** will record the applicable detail necessary to generate access usage records and forward them to **LEVEL 3** or **LEVEL 3**'s billing agent for its use in billing access to the IXC
- 3.13 When **LEVEL 3** is the Recording Company, **LEVEL 3** will provide its recorded billable messages detail and access usage record detail data to **SBC-13STATE** under the terms and conditions of this Appendix.

4.0 BASIS OF COMPENSATION

- 4.1 **SBC-13STATE** as the Recording Company, agrees to provide recording, assembly and editing, message processing and provision of message detail for Access Usage Records (AURs) ordered/required by **LEVEL 3** in accordance with this Appendix on a reciprocal, no-charge basis. **LEVEL 3**, as the Recording Company, agrees to provide any and all Access Usage Records (AURs) required by **SBC-13STATE** on a reciprocal, no-charge basis. The Parties agree that this mutual exchange of records at no charge to either Party shall otherwise be conducted and according to the guidelines and specifications contained in the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) document.

5.0 LIABILITY

- 5.1 Except as otherwise provided herein, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any special, indirect, or consequential damage of any kind whatsoever. A Party shall not be liable for its inability to meet the terms of this Agreement where such inability is caused by failure of the first Party to comply with the obligations stated herein. Each Party is obliged to use its best efforts to mitigate damages.
- 5.2 When either Party is notified that, due to error or omission, incomplete data has been provided to the non-Recording Company, each Party will make reasonable efforts to locate and/or recover the data and provide it to the non-Recording Company at no additional charge. Such requests to recover the data must be made within sixty (60) calendar days from the date the Recording company provides the message detail for access usage record to the non-Recording Company. If the non-Recording Company fails to provide written notification post-marked, faxed or dated by commercial courier within sixty (60) calendar days from the date the Recording company provides the message detail for access usage record to the non-Recording Company, the Recording Company shall have no further obligation to recover the data and shall have no further liability to the non-Recording Company for the compensation arising from the message detail for access usage records.
- 5.3 If, despite timely notification by the non-Recording Company, message detail is lost and unrecoverable as a direct result of the Recording Company having lost or damaged tapes or incurred system outages while performing recording, assembly and editing, rating, message

- processing, and/or transmission of message detail, both Parties will estimate the volume of lost messages and associated revenue based on information available to it concerning the average revenue per minute for the average interstate and/or intrastate call. In such events, the Recording Company's liability shall be limited to the granting of a credit adjusting amounts otherwise due from it equal to the estimated net lost revenue associated with the lost message detail.
- 5.4 Each Party will not be liable for any costs incurred by the other Party when transmitting data files via data lines and a transmission failure results in the non-receipt of data. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties agree to use best efforts to ensure the timely and accurate delivery or exchange of billing data between each Party.
- 5.5 Each Party agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the other Party from any and all losses, damages, or other liability, including attorney fees, that it may incur as a result of claims, demands, or other suits brought by any party that arise out of the use of this service by the other Party, its customers or end users.
- 5.6 Each Party ("Indemnifying Party") also agrees to release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party ("Indemnified Party") from any claim, demand or suit that asserts any infringement or invasion of privacy or confidentiality of any person(s), caused or claimed to be caused, directly or indirectly, by the Indemnifying Party's employees and equipment associated with provision of this service to the extent such claim does not arise from the willful misconduct or gross negligence of the Indemnified Party. This includes, but is not limited to suits arising from disclosure of any customer specific information associated with either the originating or terminating numbers used to provision this service.
- 5.7 Each Party also agrees to release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Recording Company from any claim, demand or suit to perform under this Agreement should any regulatory body or any State or Federal Court find the existing terms of this contract to either be illegal, unenforceable, against public policy, or improper for the Recording Company.
- 5.8 Each Party makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including but not limited to any warranty as to merchantability or fitness for intended or particular purpose with respect to services provided hereunder. Additionally, each Party assumes no responsibility with regard to the correctness of the data supplied when this data is accessed and used by a third party.

EXHIBIT I**SERVICES**

The attached pages of this Exhibit show the service options that are offered under this Agreement.

EXPLANATION OF SERVICE OPTIONS**ORIGINATING 1+ DDD RECORDINGS - IXC TRANSPORTED MESSAGE DETAIL
AND ACCESS USAGE RECORDS**

Option #1: This option has been withdrawn.

Option #2: The Recording Company performs recording, assembly and editing of the billable message detail and extracts that detail to the IXC for all 1+ IXC transported messages originating from the LEVEL 3 end office. The Recording Company creates Access Usage Records for this traffic and forwards those AUR records to LEVEL 3.

Option #3: The Interexchange Carriers do own billable message recording for their 1+ IXC transported messages originating from the CLEC end office. The Recording Company performs recording for Access purposes only, assembles and edits this data, creates AURs and forwards the AUR records to the CLEC.

**ORIGINATING OPERATOR RECORDINGS - IXC TRANSPORTED MESSAGE
DETAIL AND ACCESS USAGE RECORDS**

Option #4: LEVEL 3 Non-Equal Access End Office - The Interexchange Carriers do own billable message recording. The Recording Company performs local and intraLATA operator services for LEVEL 3. The Recording Company performs recording at the operator switch for all 0+, 0-, Coin Sent Paid, CAMA and International IXC transported messages. The Recording Company assembles and edits this data, creates AURs and forwards the AUR records to LEVEL 3.

Option #5: LEVEL 3 Equal Access End Office - The Interexchange Carriers do own billable message recording. The Recording Company performs local and intraLATA operator services for LEVEL 3. The Recording Company performs recording at the operator switch for 0- only IXC transported messages. The Recording Company assembles and edits this data, creates AURs and forwards the AUR records to LEVEL 3.

Option #6: This option has been withdrawn.

Option #7: This option has been withdrawn.

800 RECORDINGS - IXC TRANSPORTED MESSAGE DETAIL

Option #8: Recording Company performs SSP function for LEVEL 3 end office and bills query charge to the appropriate Interexchange Carrier. The Recording Company performs recording for Access purposes only, assembles and edits this data, creates AURs and forwards AUR records to LEVEL 3.

Option #9: This option has been withdrawn.

Option #10: Recording Company performs SCP function for LEVEL 3. The Recording Company performs recording at the SCP, assembles and edits this data, creates SCP records and forwards SCP records to LEVEL 3.

TERMINATING RECORDINGS - IXC TRANSPORTED ACCESS USAGE RECORDS

- Option #11:** Recording Company provides tandem function for LEVEL 3. LEVEL 3 requests Recording Company to provide all Feature Group B, Feature Group C and Feature Group D terminating usage recordings including Feature Group B over D and Feature Group C over D. Recording Company creates terminating AURs for this data and forwards AUR records to LEVEL 3.
- Option #12:** Recording Company provides tandem function for LEVEL 3. LEVEL 3 requests Recording Company to provide all Feature Group B terminating usage recordings excluding B over D. Recording Company creates terminating AURs for this data and forwards AUR records to LEVEL 3.
- Option #13:** Recording Company provides tandem function for LEVEL 3. LEVEL 3 requests Recording Company to provide all Feature Group B terminating usage recordings including Feature Group B over D. Recording Company creates terminating AURs for this data and forwards AUR records to LEVEL 3.
- Option #14:** Recording Company provides tandem function for LEVEL 3. LEVEL 3 requests Recording Company to provide all Feature Group D terminating usage recordings including B over D and C over D. Recording Company creates terminating AURs for this data and forwards AUR records to LEVEL 3.
- Option #15:** Recording Company provides tandem function for LEVEL 3. LEVEL 3 requests Recording Company to provide all Feature Group D terminating usage recordings including B over D. Recording Company creates terminating AURs for this data and forwards AUR records to LEVEL 3.

EXHIBIT II**INVOICE DESIGNATION**

COMPANY NAME:

EXCHANGE COMPANY I.D. NUMBER (OCN):

BILLABLE INVOICE INTERVAL:

Check One:

☐ Daily (Full Status RAO Companies will receive billable messages daily, Monday-Friday excluding holidays.)

☐ Bill period (Please choose a maximum of five dates for **SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE**.
A file will be created approximately 3 to 5 workdays after the chosen bill date(s):

1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21 23 25 27 29

AUR INVOICE INTERVAL:

Check One:

☐ Daily (Full Status RAO Companies will receive AURs daily, Monday-Friday except holidays.)

☐ Bill period (Please choose a maximum of five dates for **SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE**.
A file will be created approximately 3 to 5 workdays after the chosen bill date(s):

1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21 23 25 27 29