

- 2.4 "IntraLATA Toll Trunk Group" is defined as a trunk group carrying IntraLATA Toll Traffic as defined above.
- 2.5 "ISP-Bound Traffic" is as defined in Attachment: Inter-carrier Compensation.
- 2.6 "Local Interconnection Trunk Groups" are two-way trunk groups used to carry Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA and Toll Traffic between CLEC End Users and SBC-12STATE End Users. In SBC-CONNECTICUT these trunk groups will carry the same type of traffic, but they will be established and used as one-way.
- 2.7 "Local/IntraLATA Tandem Switch" is defined as a switching machine within the public switched telecommunications network that is used to connect and switch trunk circuits between and among subtending End Office Switches for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic.
- 2.8 "Local Only Tandem Switch" is defined as a switching machine within the public switched telecommunications network that is used to connect and switch trunk circuits between and among other End Office Switches for Section 251(b)(5) and ISP-Bound Traffic.
- 2.9 "Local Only Trunk Groups" are two-way trunk groups used to carry Section 251(b)(5) and ISP-Bound Traffic only.
- 2.10 "Local Tandem" refers to any Local Only, Local/IntraLATA, Local/Access or Access Tandem Switch serving a particular local calling area.
- 2.11 "Meet Point Trunk Group" carries traffic between CLEC's End Users and Interexchange Carriers (IXCs) via SBC-13STATE Access or Local/Access Tandem Switches.
- 2.12 "Offers Service" is defined as when CLEC opens an NPA-NXX, ports a number to serve an End User or pools a block of numbers to serve End Users.
- 2.13 "Section 251(b)(5) Traffic" is as defined in Attachment: Inter-carrier Compensation.
- 2.14 "Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic" shall mean for purposes of this Attachment, (i) Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, (ii) ISP-Bound Traffic, (iii) IntraLATA Toll traffic originating from an End User obtaining local dial tone from CLEC's network where CLEC is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and Toll provider, and/or (iv) IntraLATA Toll traffic originating from an End User obtaining local dialtone from SBC-13STATE where SBC-13STATE is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and IntraLATA Toll provider.

### 3. ONE-WAY AND TWO-WAY TRUNK GROUPS

- 3.1 CLEC shall issue Access Service Requests (ASRs) for two-way Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection and Meet Point Trunk Groups. CLEC shall issue ASRs for one-way trunk groups originating at the CLEC switch. SBC-13STATE shall issue ASRs for one-way trunk groups, originating at the SBC-13STATE switch.
- 3.2 Trunk groups for ancillary services (e.g. OS/DA, BLVI, mass calling, and E911) and Meet Point Trunk Groups can be established between CLEC switch and the appropriate SBC-13STATE Tandem Switch as further provided in this Appendix ITR.
- 3.3 Two-way Local Interconnection Trunk Groups for traffic can be established between CLEC's switch and an SBC-12STATE Local Tandem or End Office Switch. Two-way Local Only Trunk Groups can be established between CLEC's switch and an SBC-12STATE Local Tandem. These trunk groups will utilize Signaling System 7 (SS7) or multi-frequency (MF) signaling protocol, with SS7 signaling preferred whenever possible.
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- 3.5 The Parties recognize that embedded one-way trunks may exist for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic. The Parties may agree to negotiate a transition plan to migrate the embedded one-way Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to two-way Local Only and/or two-way Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. The Parties will coordinate any such migration, trunk group prioritization, and

implementation schedule. SBC-12STATE agrees to develop a cutover plan and project manage the cutovers with CLEC participation and agreement.

#### 4. TANDEM TRUNKING AND DIRECT END OFFICE TRUNKING

- 4.1 SBC-13STATE deploys in its network Local Only Tandem Switches (SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE), Local/IntraLATA Tandem Switches (SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE only), Local/Access Tandem Switches and Access Tandem Switches. In addition SBC-13STATE deploys Tandems that switch ancillary traffic such as E911 (E911 Tandem or E911 Selective Routing Tandem), Operator Services/Directory Assistance (OS/DA Tandem), and Mass Calling (choke Tandem).
- 4.2 CLEC shall establish Local Only or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to all Local Tandems in the local exchange area in which CLEC Offers Service in SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE. CLEC shall route appropriate traffic (i.e. only traffic to End Offices that subtend that tandem) to the respective SBC-13STATE tandem on the trunk groups defined below. SBC-13STATE shall route appropriate traffic to CLEC switches on the trunk groups defined below.
- 4.3 Direct End Office Trunk Groups (DEOTs) transport Section 251(b)(5)/Meet Point/IntraLATA/InterLATA Toll Traffic between CLEC's switch and an SBC-13STATE End Office and are not switched at a Local Tandem location. Unless otherwise agreed to, once provisioned, traffic from CLEC to SBC-13STATE must be redirected to route first to the DEOT with overflow traffic alternate routed to the appropriate SBC-13STATE Local Tandem.
- 4.4 All traffic received by SBC-13STATE on the DEOT from CLEC must terminate in the End Office, i.e. no Tandem switching will be performed in the End Office. Where End Office functionality is provided in a remote End Office of a host/remote configuration, CLEC shall establish the DEOT at the host switch. The number of digits to be received by the SBC-13STATE End Office shall be mutually agreed upon by the Parties. This trunk group shall be two-way (one-way in SBC CONNECTICUT).
- 4.5 Trunk Configuration
  - 4.5.1 Trunk Configuration – SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT
    - 4.5.1.1 Where available and upon the request of the other Party, each Party shall cooperate to ensure that its trunk groups are configured utilizing the Bipolar 8 Zero Substitution Extended Super Frame (B8ZS ESF) protocol for 64 kbps Clear Channel Capability (64CCC) transmission to allow for ISDN interoperability between the Parties' respective networks. Trunk groups configured for 64CCC and carrying Circuit Switched Data (CSD) ISDN calls shall carry the appropriate Trunk Type Modifier in the CLCI-Message code. Trunk groups configured for 64CCC and not used to carry CSD ISDN calls shall carry a different appropriate Trunk Type Modifier in the CLCI-Message code.
    - 4.5.1.1.1 Any SBC-13STATE switch incapable of handling 64CCC traffic will require that Local Interconnection Trunk Groups be established at those switches using Alternate Mark Inversion (AMI).

#### 5. TRUNK GROUPS

- 5.1 When CLEC Offers Service in a Local Exchange Area or LATA, the following trunk groups shall be used to exchange various types of traffic between CLEC End Users and SBC-13STATE End Users.
- 5.2 Local Only and Local Interconnection Trunk Group(s) in each Local Exchange Area: SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE.
  - 5.2.1 A two-way Interconnection Trunk Group shall be established between CLEC's switch and each SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE appropriate tandem Switch in the local exchange area or LATA.

- 5.2.2 A two-way Local Interconnection Trunk Group shall be established between CLEC switch and each SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE Local/IntraLATA Tandem Switch and each Local/Access Tandem Switch in the local exchange area. Inter-Tandem switching is not provided.
- 5.2.3 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE reserves the right to initiate a one-way IntraLATA Trunk Group to CLEC in order to provide Tandem relief when a community of interest is outside the local exchange area in which CLEC is interconnected.
- 5.2.4 Where traffic from CLEC switch to an SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE End Office is sufficient (24 or more trunks), a Local Interconnection Trunk Group shall also be established to the SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE End Office.
- 5.2.5 For each SBC end office that does not subtend an SBC Local Tandem, Sprint and SBC shall exchange traffic on an Indirect basis. See definition of Indirect Traffic.
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  - 5.3.1 Where SBC Missouri has a single Access Tandem in a LATA, IntraLATA Toll and Local traffic shall be combined on a single Local Interconnection Trunk group for calls destined to or from all End Offices that subtend the Tandem. This trunk group shall be two-way and will utilize Signaling System 7 (SS7) signaling and shall be subject to cost sharing provisions set forth in NIM Section 5. In SBC Missouri;
    - 5.3.1.1 Section 251(b)(5) Meet Point and IntraLATA/InterLATA Toll and ISP Bound Traffic shall be routed on Multi-jurisdictional Trunk Groups established at appropriate SBC Tandems in the LATA for calls destined to or from SBC Missouri End Offices that subtend the appropriate tandem. These trunk groups shall be two-way and will utilize Signaling System (SS7) signaling and shall be subject to cost sharing provisions set forth in NIM Section 5.
- 5.4 Meet Point Trunk Group: SBC-13STATE
  - 5.4.1 IXC traffic shall be transported between CLEC switch and the SBC-13STATE Access or combined local/Access Tandem over a Meet Point Trunk Group separate from Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA toll traffic. The Meet Point Trunk Group will be established for the transmission and routing of exchange access traffic between CLEC's End Users and Inter exchange carriers via a SBC-13STATE Access Tandem.
  - 5.4.2 Meet Point Trunk Groups shall be provisioned as two-way and will utilize SS7 signaling, except multi-frequency ("MF") signaling will be used on a separate Meet Point Trunk Group to complete originating calls to switched access customers that use MF FGD signaling protocol. Where available, network signaling information such as transit network selection ("TNS") parameter, carrier identification codes ("CIC") (CCS platform) and CIC/OZZ information (non-SS7 environment) will be provided by the CLEC wherever such information is needed for call routing or billing. The Parties will follow all OBF adopted standards pertaining to TNS and CIC/OZZ codes. CLEC is financially responsible for the transport facility cost as described in Appendix NIM section
- 5.4.3 One-Way and Two-Way Trunk Groups
  - 5.4.3.1 A one-way trunk group for ancillary services (e.g. OPS/DA, mass calling, 911) can be established between a Sprint Tandem or End Office switch and an SBC-13STATE Tandem. This trunk group will utilize Signaling System 7 (SS7) or multi-frequency (MF) signaling protocol, with SS7 signaling preferred whenever possible. Sprint will have administrative control of one-way trunk groups from Sprint to SBC-13STATE (Sprint originating).
  - 5.4.3.2 Two-way trunk groups for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic can be established between a Sprint switch and an SBC-13STATE Tandem or End Office switch. This trunk group will utilize Signaling System 7 (SS7) or multi-frequency (MF) signaling protocol, with SS7 signaling preferred whenever possible. Two-way trunking will be jointly provisioned

and maintained. For administrative consistency Sprint will have control for the purpose of issuing Access Service Requests (ASRs) on two-way groups. SBC-13STATE will use the Trunk Group Service Request (TGSR), as described in Section 7.3.1 of this Appendix, to request changes in trunking. Both Parties reserve the right to issue ASRs, if so required, in the normal course of business.

5.4.4 In SBC-13STATE where there is more than one Access Tandem in a LATA, and the CLEC had previously established a Meet Point Trunk Group to a SBC-13STATE Access Tandem, or a constrained Access Tandem condition exist, the Parties agree to develop a mutually acceptable plan to establish a Meet Point Trunk Group to each SBC-13STATE Access Tandem where the CLEC has homed its NXX code(s)

5.4.5 FOR SBC CALIFORNIA ONLY: CLEC will home new codes serving a particular community on the Tandem serving that community, as defined in SCHEDULE CAL.P.U.C. NO. 175—T, Section 6.7.3, Tandem Access Sectorization (TAS). CLEC is not required, however, to home codes by the sector designations. CLEC also agrees to locate at least one Local Routing Number (LRN) per home Tandem if CLEC ports any telephone numbers to its network from a community currently homing on that Tandem.

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5.4.7 SBC-13STATE will not block switched access customer traffic delivered to any SBC-13STATE Access Tandem Switch or Local/Access Tandem Switch for completion on CLEC's network. The Parties understand and agree that Meet Point trunking arrangements are available and functional only to/from switched access customers who directly connect with any SBC-13STATE Access Tandem Switch or Local/Access Tandem Switch that CLEC switch subtends in each LATA. In no event will SBC-13STATE be required to route such traffic through more than one of its tandem switches for connection to/from switched access customers. SBC-13STATE shall have no responsibility to ensure that any switched access customer will accept traffic that CLEC directs to the switched access customer.

5.5 800/(8YY) Traffic: SBC-13STATE

5.5.1 If CLEC chooses SBC-13STATE to handle 800/(8YY) database queries from its switches, all CLEC originating 800/(8YY) traffic will be routed over the meet point trunk group. This traffic will include a combination of both Interexchange Carrier (IXC), 800/(8YY) service and CLEC 800/(8YY) service that will be identified and segregated by carrier through the database query handled through the SBC-13STATE Tandem switch.

5.5.2 All originating Toll Free Service (800/8YY) calls for which CLEC requests that SBC-13STATE perform the Service Switching Point ("SSP") function (e.g., perform the database query) shall be delivered using GR-394 format over the Meet Point Trunk Group. Carrier Code "0110" and Circuit Code (to be determined for each LATA) shall be used for all such calls.

5.5.3 CLEC may handle its own 800/8YY database queries from its switch. If so, CLEC will determine the nature (local/intraLATA/interLATA) of the 800/8YY call based on the response from the database. If the query determines that the call is a local or IntraLATA 800/8YY number, CLEC will route the post-query local or IntraLATA converted ten-digit local number to SBC-13STATE over the local or intra-LATA trunk group. In such case, the CLEC is to provide an 800/8YY billing record when appropriate. If the query reveals the call is an InterLATA 800/8YY number, CLEC will route the post-query inter-LATA call (800/8YY number) directly from its switch for carriers interconnected with its network or over the meet point group to carriers not directly connected to its network but are connected to SBC-13STATE's Access Tandem. Calls will be routed to SBC-13STATE over the trunk groups within the LATA in which the calls originate.

5.5.4 All post-query Toll Free Service (800/8YY) calls for which CLEC performs the SSP function, if delivered to SBC-13STATE, shall be delivered using GR-394 format over the Trunk Group for calls

destined to IXCs, or shall be delivered by CLEC using GR-317 format over the trunk Group for calls destined to End Offices that directly subtend the Tandem.

**5.6 E911 Trunk Group**

**5.6.1** A dedicated trunk group for each NPA shall be established to each appropriate E911 switch within the local exchange area or LATA in which the CLEC Offers Service. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group. This trunk group shall be provisioned as a one-way outgoing only and will utilize MF CAMA signaling or, where available, SS7 signaling. Where the parties utilize SS7 signaling and the E911 network has the technology available, only one E911 trunk group shall be established to handle multiple NPAs within the local exchange area or LATA. If the E911 network does not have the appropriate technology available, a SS7 trunk group shall be established for each NPA in the local exchange area or LATA. CLEC shall provide a minimum of two (2) one-way outgoing channels on E911 trunk groups per default PSAP or default ESN assignment dedicated for originating E911 emergency service calls from the Point of Interconnection (POI) to the SBC-13STATE E911 Selective Router switch that serves a specified geographic rate area.

**5.6.2** In SBC CONNECTICUT only, CLEC will comply with the CT DPUC directives regarding the E911 trunk groups. The current directive requires CLEC to establish three dedicated separate trunk groups for each Connecticut NPA and default PSAP or default ESN assignment, from its switch to each of the Connecticut E911 Selective Routing tandems. For each NPA, one trunk group using SS7 signaling will go to the Primary E911 Selective Routing tandem. A second trunk group using SS7 will go to the Secondary E911 Selective Routing tandem. The third trunk group will have MF CAMA signaling and will go to the Primary E911 tandem and serve as a backup. These trunk groups shall be provisioned as a one-way outgoing only. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs.

**5.6.3** CLEC will cooperate with SBC-13STATE to promptly test all E911 trunks and facilities between CLEC network and the SBC-13STATE E911 Selective Routing Tandem to assure proper functioning of E911 service. CLEC will not turn-up live traffic until successful testing is completed by both Parties.

**5.7 High Volume Call In (HVCI) / Mass Calling (Choke) Trunk Group: SBC-12STATE**

**5.7.1** A dedicated trunk group shall be required to the designated Public Response HVCI/Mass Calling Network Access Tandem in each serving area. This trunk group shall be one-way outgoing only and shall utilize MF signaling. As the HVCI/Mass Calling trunk group is designed to block all excessive attempts toward HVCI/Mass Calling NXXs, it is necessarily exempt from the one percent blocking standard described elsewhere for other final Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group. The Parties will not exchange live traffic until successful testing is completed by both Parties.

**5.7.2** This group shall be sized as follows:

<i>Number of Access Lines Served</i>	<i>Number of Mass Calling Trunks</i>
0 - 10,000	2
10,001 - 20,000	3
20,001 - 30,000	4
30,001 - 40,000	5
40,001 - 50,000	6
50,001 - 60,000	7
60,001 - 75,000	8
75,000 +	9 maximum

- 5.7.3 If CLEC should acquire a HVC/Mass Calling customer, i.e. a radio station, CLEC shall notify SBC-12STATE at least 60 days in advance of the need to establish a one-way outgoing SS7 or MF trunk group from the SBC-12STATE HVC/Mass Calling Serving Office to the CLEC customer's serving office. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.
- 5.7.4 If CLEC finds it necessary to issue a new choke telephone number to a new or existing HVC/Mass Calling customer, the CLEC may request a meeting to coordinate with SBC-12STATE the assignment of HVC/Mass Calling telephone number from the existing choke NXX. In the event that the CLEC establishes a new choke NXX, CLEC must notify SBC-12STATE a minimum of ninety (90) days prior to deployment of the new HVC/Mass Calling NXX. SBC-12STATE will perform the necessary translations in its End Offices and Tandem(s) and issue ASR's to establish a one-way outgoing SS7 or MF trunk group from the SBC-12STATE Public Response HVC/Mass Calling Network Access Tandem to the CLEC's choke serving office.
- 5.7.5 In SBC CONNECTICUT, where HVC/Mass Calling NXXs have not been established, the Parties agree to utilize "call gapping" as the method to control high volumes of calls, where technically feasible in the originating switch, to specific high volume customers or in situations such as those described in Section 36 Network Maintenance and Management of the General Terms and Conditions.

5.8 Operator Services/Directory Assistance Trunk Group(s)

5.8.1 Terms and Conditions for Inward Assistance Operator Services are found in Appendix INW.

5.8.2 If SBC-13STATE agrees through a separate appendix or contract to provide Directory Assistance and/or Operator Services for CLEC the following trunk groups are required:

5.8.2.1 Directory Assistance (DA)

5.8.2.1.1 CLEC may contract for DA services only. A segregated trunk group for these services will be required to the appropriate SBC-13STATE OPERATOR SERVICES Tandem in the LATA for the NPA the CLEC wishes to serve. This trunk group is provisioned as one-way outgoing only and utilizes Modified Operator Services Signaling (2 Digit Automatic Number Identification (ANI)). CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

5.8.2.2 Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC)

5.8.2.2.1 CLEC contracting for DA services may also contract for DACC. This requires a segregated one-way trunk group to each SBC-13STATE OPERATOR SERVICES Tandem within the LATA for the combined DA and DACC traffic. This trunk group is provisioned as one-way outgoing only and utilizes Modified Operator Services Signaling (2 Digit ANI). The CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

5.8.2.3 Busy Line Verification/Emergency Interrupt (BLV/EI)

5.8.2.3.1 When SBC-13STATE's operator is under contract to verify the busy status of the CLEC End Users, SBC-13STATE will utilize a segregated one-way with MF signaling trunk group from SBC-13STATE's Operator Services Tandem to CLEC switch. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

5.8.2.4 Operator Assistance (0+, 0-)

5.8.2.4.1 This service requires a one-way trunk group from CLEC switch to SBC-13STATE's OPERATOR SERVICES Tandem. Two types of trunk groups may be utilized. If the trunk group transports DA/DACC, the trunk group will be

designated with the appropriate traffic use code and modifier. If DA is not required or is transported on a segregated trunk group, then the group will be designated with a different appropriate traffic use code and modifier. Modified Operator Services Signaling (2 Digit ANI) will be required on the trunk group. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

**5.8.2.5 Digit-Exchange Access Operator Services Signaling**

**5.8.2.5.1** CLEC will employ Exchange Access Operator Services Signaling (EAOSS) from the equal access End Offices (EAEO) to the OPERATOR SERVICES switch that are equipped to accept 10 Digit Signaling for Automatic Number Identification (ANI).

**5.8.2.6 OS Questionnaire**

**5.8.2.6.1** If CLEC chooses SBC-13STATE to provide either OS and/or DA, then CLEC agrees to accurately complete the OS Questionnaire prior to submitting ASRs for OS and DA trunks.

**6. TRUNK FORECASTING RESPONSIBILITIES: SBC-13STATE**

- 6.1** CLEC agrees to provide an initial forecast for establishing the initial interconnection facilities. SBC-13STATE shall review this trunk forecast and provide any additional information that may impact the trunk forecast information provided by CLEC. Subsequent forecasts shall be provided on a semi-annual basis, not later than January 1 and July 1 in order to be considered in the semi-annual publication of the SBC-13STATE General Trunk Forecast. Each trunk forecast must include information for all trunk groups described in this Appendix for a minimum of three years. Parties agree to the use of Common Language Location Identification (CLLI) coding and Common Language Circuit Identification for Message Trunk coding (CLCI-MSG) which is described in TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES documents BR795-100-100 and BR795-400-100 respectively. Inquiries pertaining to use of TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES Common Language Standards and document availability should be directed to TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES at 1-800-521-2673.
- 6.2** The semi-annual forecasts shall include:
  - 6.2.1** Yearly forecasted trunk quantities for all trunk groups required in this appendix for a minimum of three (current plus 2 future) years; and
  - 6.2.2** A description of major network projects anticipated for the following six months. Major network projects include trunking or network rearrangements, shifts in anticipated traffic patterns, orders greater than four (4) DS1's, or other activities that are reflected by a significant increase or decrease in trunking demand for the following forecasting period.
  - 6.2.3** The Parties shall agree on these forecasts to ensure efficient trunk utilization. For forecast quantities that are in dispute, the Parties shall make all reasonable efforts to develop a mutually agreeable forecast.
  - 6.2.4** Orders for trunks that exceed forecasted quantities for forecasted locations will be accommodated as mutually agreed to by the Parties. Parties shall make all reasonable efforts and cooperate in good faith to develop alternative solutions to accommodate these orders.
- 6.3** CLEC shall be responsible for forecasting two-way trunk groups. SBC-13STATE shall be responsible for forecasting the one-way trunk groups terminating to CLEC and CLEC shall be responsible for forecasting the one-way trunk groups terminating to SBC-13STATE, unless otherwise specified in this Appendix.
- 6.4** Each Party shall provide a specified point of contact for planning and forecasting purposes.

## 7. TRUNK DESIGN BLOCKING CRITERIA: SBC-13STATE

- 7.1 Trunk requirements for forecasting and servicing shall be based on the blocking objectives shown in Table 1. Trunk requirements shall be based upon time consistent average busy season busy hour twenty (20) day averaged loads applied to industry standard Neal-Wilkinson Trunk Group Capacity algorithms (use Medium day-to-day Variation and 1.0 Peakedness factor until actual traffic data is available).

TABLE 1

Trunk Group Type	Design Blocking Objective
Local Interconnection Trunk Group Direct End Office (Primary High)	ECCS*
Local Interconnection Trunk Group - Direct End Office (Final)	2%
IntraLATA Toll Trunk Group (Local/Access or Access Tandem Switch)	1%
Local Interconnection Trunk Group (Local Tandem)	1%
Meet Point (Local/Access or Access Tandem Switch)	0.5%
E911	1%
Operator Services (DA/DACC)	1%
Operator Services (0+, 0-)	1%
Busy Line Verification/Emergency Interrupt	1%

\*During implementation the Parties will mutually agree on an Economic Centum Call Seconds (ECCS) or some other means for the sizing of this trunk group.

## 8. TRUNK SERVICING: SBC-13STATE

- 8.1 Orders between the Parties to establish, add, change or disconnect trunks shall be processed by using an Access Service Request (ASR). CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on two-way trunk groups. In SBC CONNECTICUT where one-way trunks are used (as discussed in section 3.4), SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT will issue ASRs for trunk groups for traffic that originates from SBCCONNECTICUT and terminates to CLEC.
- 8.2 Both Parties will jointly manage the capacity of Local Only, Local Interconnection and Meet Point Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. Both Parties may send a Trunk Group Service Request (TGSR) to the other Party to trigger changes to the Local Only, Local Interconnection and Meet Point Trunk Groups based on capacity assessment. The TGSR is a standard industry support interface developed by the Ordering and Billing Forum of the Carrier liaison Committee of the Alliance for Telecommunications Solutions (ATIS) organization. TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES Special Report STS000316 describes the format and use of the TGSR. Contact TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES at 1-800-521-2673 regarding the documentation availability and use of this form.
- 8.3 Utilization: Utilization shall be defined as Trunks Required as a percentage of Trunks In Service.
- 8.3.1 In A Blocking Situation (Over-utilization)
- 8.3.1.1 In a blocking situation the CLEC is responsible for issuing ASRs on all two-way Local Only interconnection and Meet Point Trunk Groups and one-way CLEC originating Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to reduce measured blocking to design objective blocking levels based on analysis of trunk group data. If an ASR is not issued, SBC-13STATE will issue a TSGR. CLEC will issue an ASR within three (3) days after receipt and review of the TGSR. CLEC will note "Service Affecting" On the ASR.
- 8.3.1.3 If an alternate final Local Only Trunk Group or Local Interconnection Trunk Group is at seventy-five percent (75 %) utilization, a TGSR is sent to CLEC for the final and all subtending high usage's that are contributing any amount of overflow to the final route.
- 8.3.1.4 If a direct final Meet Point Trunk Group is at seventy-five percent (75%) utilization, a TGSR shall be sent to CLEC.

### 8.3.2 Underutilization

8.3.2.1 Underutilization of Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection Trunk Groups and Meet Point Trunk Groups exists when provisioned capacity is greater than the current need. Those situations where more capacity exists than actual usage requires will be handled in the following manner:

8.3.2.1.1 If a Local Only Trunk Group Local Interconnection trunk Group or a Meet Point Trunk Group is under seventy-five percent (75%) of CCS capacity on a monthly average basis, for each month of any three (3) consecutive months period, either Party may request the issuance of an order to resize the Local Only trunk Group, Local Interconnection Trunk Group or the Meet Point Trunk Group, which shall be left with not less than twenty-five percent (25%) excess capacity. In all cases grade of service objectives shall be maintained.

8.3.2.1.2 Either party may send a TGSR to the other Party to trigger changes to the Local Only trunk Groups, Local Interconnection trunk Groups or Meet Point Trunk Groups based on capacity assessment. Upon receipt of a TGSR, the receiving Party will issue an ASR to the other Party within twenty (20) business days after receipt of the TGSR.

8.3.2.1.3 Upon review of the TGSR, if a Party does not agree with the resizing, the Parties will schedule a joint planning discussion within the twenty(20) business days. The Parties will meet to resolve and mutually agree to the disposition of the TGSR.

8.3.2.1.4 If SBC-13STATE does not receive an ASR, or if CLEC does not respond to the TGSR by scheduling a joint discussion within the twenty (20) business day period, SBC-13STATE will attempt to contact CLEC to schedule a joint planning discussion. If CLEC will not agree to meet within an additional five (5) business days and present adequate reason for keeping trunks operational, SBC-13STATE reserves the right to issue ASRs to resize the Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection Trunk Groups or Meet Point Trunk Groups.

### 8.3.3 Trunk Servicing – SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE Exceptions

8.3.3.1 The Parties will process trunk service requests submitted via a properly completed ASR within ten (10) business days of receipt of such ASR unless defined as a major project. Incoming orders will be screened by SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE trunk engineering personnel for reasonableness based upon current utilization and/or consistency with forecasts. If the nature and necessity of an order requires determination, the ASR will be placed in held status, and a Joint Planning discussion conducted. Parties agree to expedite this discussion in order to minimize delay in order processing. Extension of this review and discussion process beyond two days from ASR receipt will require the ordering Party to Supplement the order with proportionally adjusted Customer Desired Due Dates. Facilities must also be in place before trunk orders can be completed.

8.4 Projects require the coordination and execution of multiple orders or related activities between and among SBC-13STATE and CLEC work groups, including but not limited to the initial establishment of Local Only, Local Interconnection or Meet Point Trunk Groups and service in an area, NXX code moves, re-homes, facility grooming, or network rearrangements.

8.4.1 Orders that comprise a project, i.e., greater than four (4) DS1s, shall be submitted at the same time, and their implementation shall be jointly planned and coordinated.

**8.9 Projects-Tandem Rehomes/Switch Conversion/Major Network Projects**

8.9.1 SBC-13STATE will advise CLEC of all projects significantly affecting CLEC trunking. Such Projects may include, Tandem Rehomes, Switch Conversions and other Major Network Changes. An Accessible Letter with project details will be issued at least 6 months prior to the project due dates. SBC-13STATE will follow with a Trunk Group Service Request (TGSR) approximately 4 to 6 months before the due date of the project. A separate TGSR will be issued for each CLEC trunk group and will specify the required CLEC ASR issue date. Failure to submit ASR(s) by the required date may result in SBC-13STATE ceasing to deliver traffic until the ASR(s) are received and processed.

**9. TRUNK DATA EXCHANGE: SBC-13STATE**

9.1 The Parties agree to exchange traffic data on two-way trunks and to implement such an exchange within three (3) months of the date that two-way trunking is established and the trunk groups begin passing live traffic, or another date as agreed to by the Parties.

9.2 Exchange of traffic data enables each Party to make accurate and independent assessments of trunk group service levels and requirements. Parties agree to establish a timeline for implementing an exchange of traffic data utilizing the DIXC process via a Network Data Mover (NDM) or FTP computer to computer file transfer process. Implementation shall be within three (3) months of the date, or such date as agreed upon, that the trunk groups begin passing live traffic. The traffic data to be exchanged will be the Originating Attempt Peg Count, Usage (measured in Hundred Call Seconds), Overflow Peg Count, and Maintenance Usage (measured in Hundred Call Seconds on a seven (7) day per week, twenty-four (24) hour per day, fifty-two (52) weeks per year basis). These reports shall be made available at a minimum on a semi-annual basis upon request. Exchange of data on one-way groups is optional.

9.3 A trunk group utilization report (TIKI) is available upon request. The report is provided in a MS-Excel format.

**10. NETWORK MANAGEMENT: SBC-13STATE**

**10.1 Restrictive Controls**

10.1.1 Either Party may use protective network traffic management controls such as 7-digit and 10-digit code gaps set at appropriate levels on traffic toward each other's network, when required, to protect the public switched network from congestion due to facility failures, switch congestion, or failure or focused overload. CLEC and SBC-13STATE will immediately notify each other of any protective control action planned or executed.

**10.2 Expansive Controls**

10.2.1 Where the capability exists, originating or terminating traffic reroutes may be implemented by either Party to temporarily relieve network congestion due to facility failures or abnormal calling patterns. Reroutes will not be used to circumvent normal trunk servicing. Expansive controls will only be used when mutually agreed to by the Parties.

**10.3 Mass Calling**

10.3.1 CLEC and SBC-13STATE shall cooperate and share pre-planning information regarding cross-network call-ins expected to generate large or focused temporary increases in call volumes.

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**12. SWITCHED ACCESS TRAFFIC**

12.1 For purposes of this Agreement only, Switched Access Traffic shall mean all traffic that originates from an end user physically located in one local exchange and delivered for termination to an end user physically located in a different local exchange (excluding traffic from exchanges sharing a common mandatory local calling area as defined in SBC 13-STATE's local exchange tariffs on file with the applicable state

commission) including, without limitation, any traffic that (i) terminates over a Party's circuit switch, including traffic from a service that originates over a circuit switch and uses Internet Protocol (IP) transport technology (regardless of whether only one provider uses IP transport or multiple providers are involved in providing IP transport) and/or (ii) originates from the end user's premises in IP format and is transmitted to the switch of a provider of voice communication applications or services when such switch utilizes IP technology and terminates over a Party's circuit switch. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, all Switched Access Traffic shall be delivered to the terminating Party over feature group access trunks per the terminating Party's access tariff(s) and shall be subject to applicable intrastate and interstate switched access charges; provided, however, the following categories of Switched Access Traffic are not subject to the above stated requirement relating to routing over feature group access trunks:

- (i) IntraLATA toll Traffic or Optional EAS Traffic from a CLEC end user that obtains local dial tone from CLEC where CLEC is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic provider and the IntraLATA toll provider;
- (ii) IntraLATA toll Traffic or Optional EAS Traffic from an SBC end user that obtains local dial tone from SBC where SBC is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic provider and the IntraLATA toll provider;
- (iii) Switched Access Traffic delivered to SBC from an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) where the terminating number is ported to another CLEC and the IXC fails to perform the Local Number Portability (LNP) query; and/or
- (iv) Switched Access Traffic delivered to either Party from a third party competitive local exchange carrier over interconnection trunk groups carrying Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic (hereinafter referred to as "Local Interconnection Trunk Groups") destined to the other Party.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, each Party reserves its rights, remedies, and arguments relating to the application of switched access charges for traffic exchanged by the Parties prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement and described in the FCC's Order issued in the Petition for Declaratory Ruling that AT&T's Phone-to-Phone IP Telephony Services Exempt from Access Charges, WC Docket No. 01-361 (Released April 21, 2004).

- 12.2 In the limited circumstances in which a third party competitive local exchange carrier delivers Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 12.1 (iv) above to either Party over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, such Party may deliver such Switched Access Traffic to the terminating Party over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. If it is determined that such traffic has been delivered over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, the terminating Party may object to the delivery of such traffic by providing written notice to the delivering Party pursuant to the notice provisions set forth in the General Terms and Conditions and request removal of such traffic. The Parties will work cooperatively to identify the traffic with the goal of removing such traffic from the Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. If the delivering Party has not removed or is unable to remove such Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 12.1(iv) above from the Local Interconnection Trunk Groups within sixty (60) days of receipt of notice from the other party, the Parties agree to jointly file a complaint or any other appropriate action with the applicable Commission to seek any necessary permission to remove the traffic from such interconnection trunks up to and including the right to block such traffic and to obtain compensation, if appropriate, from the third party competitive local exchange carrier delivering such traffic to the extent it is not blocked.

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**APPENDIX INW**  
**(Inward Assistance Operator Services)**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for Inward Assistance Operator Services for switched-based CLEC's or CLEC's leasing unbundled switched ports as provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin.
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## **2. SERVICES**

- 2.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-13STATE Inward Assistance Operator will provide the following assistance or services when reached by an operator dialing the appropriate Toll Center Code in addition to the Inward code.
  - 2.1.1 General Assistance on calls where an attempt to connect the call is required by a local operator.
  - 2.1.2 Busy Line Verification (BLV) service and Busy Line Verification/Interrupt (BLV/I) service.

## **3. DEFINITIONS**

- 3.1 "General Assistance" - A service in which an operator calls the Inward Assistance operator seeking assistance in dialing a number. The assistance could be required, for example, for attempting to dial a number where a 'no ring' condition has been encountered.
- 3.2 "Busy Line Verification" - A service in which an operator asks the Inward Assistance operator to verify a conversation in progress.
- 3.3 "Busy Line Verification/ Interrupt" - A service in which an operator asks the Inward Assistance operator to interrupt a conversation in progress, to determine if one of the parties is willing to speak to the caller requesting the interrupt.

- 3.4 "Toll Center Code" - Refers to a three digit Access Tandem Code (ATC) code that uniquely identifies a tandem switch in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG) designated as providing access to operator services functions. An operator dials the appropriate area code + ATC + OPR SVC CODE to obtain Inward Assistance.
- 3.5 "Operator Service Code" - Refers to the operator dialable code assigned in the LERG for Inward Assistance.

#### **4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

- 4.1 To the extent that a Party elects, in its sole discretion, to interconnect with the other Party's Operator assistance switches, the Parties' responsibilities are described below:
  - 4.1.1 It is the responsibility of the CLEC to order the necessary facilities to interconnect with SBC-13STATE's Operator assistance switch(es). It is the responsibility of SBC-13STATE to provide the necessary facilities to the CLEC's point of presence in the local exchange area/LATA to interconnect with the CLEC's Operator assistance switches.
  - 4.1.2 The CLEC will initiate an ASR for a one-way trunk group from its designated Operator assistance switch to the SBC-13STATE Operator assistance switch utilizing MF signaling. Likewise, SBC-13STATE will initiate an ASR for a one-way MF signaling trunk group from its Operator assistance switch to the CLEC's designated Operator assistance switch.
- 4.2 CLEC will furnish request for service in writing to SBC-13STATE, thirty calendar (30) days in advance of the date when the Inward Assistance Operator Services are to be undertaken, unless otherwise agreed to by SBC-13STATE. CLEC or its designated operator services providers shall submit Access Service Requests (ASRs) to SBC-13STATE to establish any new interconnection trunking arrangements.
- 4.3 The requester of this Inward Assistance Operator Services service agreement must provide one Carrier Identification Code (CIC) for its CLEC or Independent Exchange Carrier business operation and one for its InterExchange Carrier (IXC) business operation if the requesting company wishes to receive billing data in a format that separates the service provided to the two business operations.

#### **5. TOLL CENTER CODES**

- 5.1 Toll Center Codes will be used by the CLEC Operators for routing and connecting to the SBC-13STATE Operator assistance switches. These codes are specific to the various SBC-13STATE LATA's where SBC-13STATE Operator assistance switches are located.
- 5.2 SBC-13STATE Operator Services will require a Toll Center Code for the CLEC Operator Services assistance switch. This code will be the routing code used for connecting the SBC-13STATE Operator to the CLEC Operator on an Inward basis.
- 5.3 If the CLEC requires establishment of a new Toll Center Code, CLEC shall do so by referencing the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG).

#### **6. PRICING**

- 6.1 SBC-12STATE - Pricing for Inward Assistance Operator Services shall be based on the rates specified in the applicable Appendix Pricing (Operator work seconds) and/or the applicable Commissioned ordered tariff where stated.

#### **7. MONTHLY BILLING**

- 7.1 SBC-13STATE will render monthly billing statements to CLEC, and remittance in full will be due within thirty (30) days of receipt. CLEC will render monthly billing to SBC-13STATE and remittance in full will be due within thirty (30) days of receipt.

**8. LIABILITY**

- 8.1 The CLEC agrees to defend and hold harmless SBC-13STATE from any and all losses, damages, or other liability including attorneys fees that the carrier may incur as a result of claims, demands, wrongful death actions, or other suits brought by any party that arise out of the carrier's operator use of Inward Assistance Operator Services on the behalf of the carrier's End Users. The CLEC shall defend against all end user claims just as if the carrier operator had provided such service to its end user directly and shall assert its tariff limitation of liability for benefit of both SBC-13STATE and carrier.
- 8.2 The CLEC also agrees to release, defend and hold harmless SBC-13STATE from any claim, demand or suit that asserts any infringement or invasion of privacy or confidentiality of any person or persons caused or claimed to be caused, directly, or indirectly, by SBC-13STATE employees and equipment associated with provision of the Inward Assistance Operator Services. This provision includes but is not limited to suits, claims, and demands arising from disclosure of the telephone number, address, or name associated with the telephone called.

**9. TERMS OF APPENDIX**

- 9.1 This Appendix will continue in force for the length of the Interconnection Agreement, but no less than twelve (12) months. At the expiration of the term of the Interconnection Agreement to which this Appendix is attached or twelve (12) months, whichever occurs later, either Party may terminate this Appendix upon one hundred-twenty (120) calendar days written notice to the other Party.
- 9.2 If the CLEC terminates this Appendix prior to the expiration of the term of this Appendix, CLEC shall pay SBC-13STATE, within thirty (30) days of the issuance of any bills by SBC-13STATE, all amounts due for actual services provided under this Appendix, plus estimated monthly charges for the remainder of the term. Estimated charges will be based on an average of the actual monthly amounts billed by SBC-13STATE pursuant to this Appendix prior to its termination.
- 9.3 The rates applicable for determining the amount(s) under the terms outlined in this Section are those specified in Appendix Pricing.

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### EXHIBIT I

#### SERVING AREA

#### OPERATOR SERVICES PROVIDER LOCATION:

#### CLEC SWITCH SERVING LOCATIONS:

<u>CITY</u>	<u>NPA-NXX</u>	<u>LATA</u>

ADDITIONAL SHEETS SHOULD BE ADDED AS REQUIRED.

## **APPENDIX NIM (NETWORK INTERCONNECTION METHODS)**

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## APPENDIX NIM (NETWORK INTERCONNECTION METHODS)

### 1. INTRODUCTION

This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions that Network Interconnection Methods (NIM) is provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC. This Appendix describes the physical architecture for Interconnection of the Parties' facilities and equipment.

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- 1.25 Network Interconnection Methods (NIMs) include, but are not limited to, Physical Collocation; Virtual Collocation; Fiber Meet Point; and Indirect Interconnection.
- 1.26 SBC-13STATE shall provide Interconnection for CLEC's facilities and equipment, at a level of quality that is equal to that which SBC-13STATE provides itself, a subsidiary, an affiliate, or any other party to which SBC-13STATE provides Interconnection and on rates, terms and conditions that are just, reasonable and non-discriminatory.
- 1.27 The Parties shall effect an Interconnection that is efficient, fair and equitable with each party being financially responsible for approximately half of the Interconnection facilities or in any other manner that is mutually agreeable to the Parties subject to proportionate cost sharing provisions set forth in Appendix 5.3..

## **2. NETWORK INTERCONNECTION ARCHITECTURE PLAN**

- 2.1 SBC-13STATE's network is partly comprised of End Office switches, Local Only Tandem (SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE), Local/IntraLATA Tandem Switches Local/Access Tandem Switches and Access Tandem Switches. SBC-13STATE's network architecture in any given local exchange area and/or LATA can vary markedly from another local exchange area/LATA. Using one or more of the NIMs herein, the Parties will agree to a physical architecture plan for a specific Interconnection area. For Direct Interconnection, CLEC and SBC-13STATE will interconnect their networks through existing and/or new Interconnection facilities between CLEC switch(es) and SBC-13STATE End Office(s) and/or Tandem switch(es) at a minimum of one location on SBC's network in the

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LATA. The physical architecture plan will, at a minimum, include the location of CLEC's switch(es) and SBC-13STATE's End Office switch(es) and/or Tandem switch(es) to be interconnected and the facilities that will connect the two networks. At the time of implementation in a given LATA the plan will be documented and signed by appropriate representatives of the Parties, indicating their mutual agreement to the physical architecture plan.

- 2.2 Points of Interconnection (POIs): A Point of Interconnection (POI) is a point in the network where the Parties deliver Interconnection traffic to each other, and also serves as a demarcation point between the facilities that each Party is responsible to provide, subject to cost sharing provisions set forth in appendix ITR Section 5. In many cases, at Sprint's sole option multiple POI(s) will be necessary to balance the facilities investment and provide the best technical implementation of Interconnection requirements to each Tandem within an exchange area and/or LATA. Both parties shall negotiate the architecture in each LATA location that will seek to mutually minimize and equalize investment.
- 2.3 Each Party is responsible for the facilities to its side of the negotiated POI(s), subject to cost sharing provisions set forth in Section 5 and may utilize any method of Interconnection described in this Appendix. Each Party is responsible for the appropriate sizing, operation, and maintenance of the transport facility to the POI(s). The parties agree to provide sufficient facilities for the Interconnection trunk groups required for the exchange of traffic between CLEC and SBC-13STATE.
- 2.4 Either Party, must provide thirty (30) days written notice of any intent to change to the physical architecture plan.
- 2.5 CLEC is solely responsible for the facilities that carry OS/DA, 911, mass calling and Meet-Point trunk groups as specified in Appendix ITR.
- 2.6 Types of Points of Interconnection
  - 2.6.1 A "Tandem Serving Area" or "TSA" is an SBC 13-STATE area defined by the sum of all local calling areas served by SBC 13-STATE End Offices that subtend an SBC 13-STATE tandem for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic as defined in the LERG.
  - 2.6.2 The Parties will interconnect their network facilities at a minimum of one CLEC designated Point of Interconnection (POI) within SBC 13-STATE's network in the LATA where CLEC Offers Service.
  - 2.6.3 A "Single POI" is a single point of interconnection within a LATA on SBC 13-STATE's network that is established to interconnect SBC 13-STATE's network and CLEC's network for the exchange of Section 251 (b)(5)/IntraLATA Traffic.
  - 2.6.4 The Parties agree that CLEC has the right to choose a Single POI or multiple POIs.
  - 2.6.5 When CLEC has established a Single POI (or multiple POIs) in a LATA, CLEC agrees to establish an additional POI:
    - (i) at an SBC 13-STATE TSA separate from the existing POI arrangement when traffic through the existing POI arrangement to that SBC 13-STATE TSA exceeds twenty-four (24) DS1s at peak over three (3) consecutive months, or
    - (ii) at an SBC 13-STATE End Office in a local calling area not served by an SBC 13-STATE tandem for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic when traffic through the existing POI arrangement to that local calling area exceeds twenty-four (24) DS1s at peak over three (3) consecutive months.
  - 2.6.6 The additional POI(s) will be established within 90 days of notification that the threshold has been met.
  - 2.6.7 When the interconnection agreement becomes effective, and if the CLEC has more than a single POI in the LATA, and the conditions set forth in 2.4.5(i) and (ii) aren't met, CLEC will be allowed to decommission any facilities ordered to additional POI locations within 90 days and billing will cease.

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## 2.7 Technical Interfaces

- 2.7.1 The Interconnection facilities provided by each Party shall be formatted using either Alternate Mark Inversion (AMI) line code with Superframe format framing or Bipolar 8 Zero Signaling (B8ZS) with Extended Superframe format framing or any mutually agreeable line coding and framing.
- 2.7.2 Electrical handoffs at the POI(s) will be at the DS1 or DS3 level. When a DS3 handoff is agreed to by the Parties, SBC-13STATE will provide any multiplexing required for DS1 facilities or trunking at their end and CLEC will provide any DS1 multiplexing required for facilities or trunking at their end.
- 2.7.3 When the Parties demonstrate the need for Optical handoffs at the OC-n level, the parties will meet to negotiate specific Optical handoff needs.

## 3. METHODS OF INTERCONNECTION

### 3.1 Physical Collocation

- 3.1.1 When CLEC provides their own facilities or uses the facilities of a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to a SBC-13STATE Tandem or End Office and wishes to place their own transport terminating equipment at that location, CLEC may Interconnect using the provisions of Physical Collocation as set forth in Appendix I Collocation.

### 3.2 Virtual Collocation

- 3.2.1 When CLEC provides their own facilities or uses the facilities of a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to a SBC-13STATE Tandem or End Office and wishes for SBC-13STATE to place transport terminating equipment at that location on the CLEC's behalf, they may Interconnect using the provisions of Virtual Collocation as set forth in Appendix I Collocation. Virtual Collocation allows CLEC to choose the equipment vendor and does not require that CLEC be Physically Collocated.

### 3.4 Fiber Meet Point

- 3.4.1 Fiber Meet Point Interconnection between SBC-13STATE and CLEC can occur at any mutually agreeable and technically feasible point at an SBC-13STATE Tandem or End Office building within each LATA (SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE).
- 3.4.2 When the Parties agree to interconnect their networks pursuant to the Fiber Meet, a single point-to-point linear chain SONET system must be utilized. Only Local Interconnection Trunk Groups shall be provisioned over this jointly provided facility.
- 3.4.3 Neither Party will be allowed to access the Data Communications Channel ("DCC") of the other Party's Fiber Optic Terminal (FOT). The Fiber Meet will be designed so that each Party may, as far as is technically feasible, independently select the transmission, multiplexing, and fiber terminating equipment to be used on its side of the POI(s). The Parties will work cooperatively to achieve equipment and vendor compatibility of the FOT equipment.
- 3.4.4 Requirements for such Interconnection specifications will be defined in joint engineering planning sessions between the Parties.
- 3.4.5 In addition to the semi-annual trunk forecast process, discussed in Appendix ITR, discussions to provide relief to existing facilities can be initiated by either party. Actual system augmentations will be initiated only upon mutual agreement. Facilities will be planned for to accommodate the verified and mutually agreed upon trunk forecast for the Local Interconnection Trunk Groups.
- 3.4.6 Both Parties will negotiate a project service date and corresponding work schedule to construct relief facilities prior to facilities exhaust.
- 3.4.10 CLEC will provide fiber cable to the last entrance (or SBC-13STATE designated) manhole at the SBC-13STATE Tandem or End Office building. SBC-13STATE shall make all necessary preparations to receive and to allow and enable CLEC to deliver fiber optic facilities into that manhole. CLEC will provide a sufficient length of Fiber cable for SBC-13STATE to pull through the

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SBC-13STATE cable vault. CLEC shall deliver and maintain such strands wholly at its own expense up to the POI. SBC-13STATE shall take the fiber from the manhole and terminate it inside SBC-13STATE's office at the cable vault at SBC-13STATE's expense. In this case the POI shall be at the SBC-13STATE designated manhole location.

3.4.11 Each Party shall provide its own source for the synchronized timing of its FOT equipment.

3.4.12 CLEC and SBC-13STATE will mutually agree on the capacity of the FOT(s) to be utilized based on equivalent DS1s or DS3s. Each Party will also agree upon the optical frequency and wavelength necessary to implement the interconnection. The Parties will develop and agree upon methods for the capacity planning and management for these facilities, terms and conditions for over provisioning facilities, and the necessary processes to implement facilities as indicated in section 4 of this document.

### 3.5 Other Interconnection Methods

3.5.1 The Parties may mutually agree to other methods of obtaining interconnection that are technically feasible which are incorporated into the Interconnection Agreement by amendment.

3.5.2 Indirect Interconnection: For small volumes of traffic (less than 6 DS1s), CLEC may choose to interconnect with SBC-Missouri on an indirect basis where SBC-13STATE end office does not subtend an SBC tandem.

3.5.3 Indirect Interconnection: For small volumes of traffic (less than 7 DS1s), CLEC may choose to interconnect with SBC-13STATE on an indirect basis where SBC-13STATE end office does not subtend an SBC tandem.

## 4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

4.1 For each local Interconnection within an SBC-13STATE area, CLEC shall provide written notice to SBC-13STATE of the need to establish Interconnection in each LATA (SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE) or LATA (SBC CALIFORNIA, SBC NEVADA, SBC CONNECTICUT and SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE). CLEC shall provide all applicable network information on forms acceptable to SBC-13STATE (as set forth in SBC's CLEC Handbook, published on the CLEC website).

4.2 Upon receipt of CLEC's notice to interconnect, the Parties shall schedule a meeting to discuss the network architecture (including trunking) to be documented as discussed in Section 2.1. The Interconnection activation date for an Interconnect shall be established based on then-existing force and load, the scope and complexity of the requested Interconnection and other relevant factors.

4.3 Either party may add or remove additional switches. The parties shall provide 120 days written notice to establish such Interconnection; and the terms and conditions of this agreement will apply to such Interconnection.

4.4 The Parties recognize that a facility handoff point must be agreed to that establishes the demarcation for maintenance and provisioning responsibilities for each party on their side of the POI.

## 5. INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES

5.1 Interconnection facilities leased from SBC for the transmission and routing of telephone exchange and exchange access service shall be provided to Sprint at SBC's TELRIC-based rates and subject to cost sharing provisions in this Section.

5.2 When Interconnection Facilities are leased from SBC to carry both Section 251(b)(5) traffic and non-Section 251(b)(5) traffic, the Parties shall determine the percentage of the Interconnection Facility utilized for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic. The charges applied to the percentage of the Interconnection Facility utilized to carry Section 251(b)(5) Traffic shall be based upon SBC's TELRIC-based rates and subject to cost sharing provisions in this Section. The remaining percentage of the facilities shall be billed at SBC's applicable access tariff rates.

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5.3 When two-way Interconnection Facilities are utilized, neither Party shall be financially responsible for that portion of the Interconnection Facility used to transmit the other Party's originating traffic.

5.3.1 The Party, who is delivering traffic originating on its network through facilities and/or trunks provided by the other Party, shall pay to the other Party providing such facilities and/or trunks the monthly recurring and non-recurring costs of such facilities and/or trunks times the difference of 1 minus the Shared Facility Factor set forth below; provided, however, that either Party may submit to the other Party a traffic study, a reasonable estimate of its traffic with supporting justification for such estimate, and/or other network information in complete and appropriate form (determined in good faith) ("Shared Facility Information") that the Parties will use to negotiate in good faith a different CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor. The Shared Facility Information must be CLEC-specific and relate to CLEC's network in the State; it shall not be based on industry average data or the data of other Telecommunications Carriers. If such Shared Facility Information is provided within ninety (90) Days after the date this Agreement is executed by duly authorized representatives of both Parties, then any CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor derived using such Shared Facility Information shall be effective as of the date on which the Shared Facility Information was provided in complete and appropriate form (determined in good faith) to the other Party, but no earlier than the Effective Date of this Agreement; otherwise, the CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor will be effective as of the date the Shared Facility Information was provided in complete and appropriate form (determined in good faith) to the other Party. Any CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor that becomes effective during the Initial Term of the Agreement will remain in effect during the Initial Term of the Agreement. After the expiration of the Initial Term hereof, such CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor established during the Initial Term shall remain in effect thereafter unless either Party provides new Shared Facility Information to the other Party. In such case, the Parties shall use that new CLEC-specific Shared Facility Information to renegotiate in good faith a new revised CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor. Renegotiation of the CLEC-specific Shared Facility Factor shall occur no more frequently than once every twelve months.

Shared Facility Factor - CLEC: 50%

Shared Facility Factor - SBC 13-State: 50%

5.3.2 If Sprint leases the two-way Interconnection Facility from SBC, SBC shall credit the cost of such facility (both recurring and non-recurring charges) by 50%.

5.3.3 If Sprint leases the Interconnection Facility from SBC and SBC does not provide a credit according to Section 3.7.2 above, or if Sprint self-constructs or leases the Interconnection Facility from a third party, Sprint may charge SBC 50% of the recurring charges and non-recurring charges for the Interconnection Facilities.

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## APPENDIX NP (NUMBER PORTABILITY)

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for Number Portability mutually provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin.
- 1.3 SBC-12STATE - As used herein, SBC-12STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC-2STATE the applicable SBC owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
- 1.4 SBC-13STATE - As used herein, SBC-13STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC-2STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT the applicable SBC owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
- 1.5 SBC CALIFORNIA - As used herein, SBC CALIFORNIA means Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, the applicable SBC owned ILEC doing business in California.
- 1.6 SBC CONNECTICUT - As used herein, SBC CONNECTICUT means The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, the applicable above listed ILEC doing business in Connecticut.
- 1.7 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.
- 1.8 SBC NEVADA - As used herein, SBC NEVADA means Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, the applicable SBC owned ILEC doing business in Nevada.
- 1.9 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas the applicable above listed ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.

### 2. PERMANENT NUMBER PORTABILITY (PNP)

#### 2.1 General Terms and Conditions

- 2.1.1 The Parties agree that the industry has established local routing number (LRN) technology as the method by which permanent number portability (PNP) will be provided in response to FCC Orders in CC Docket No. 95-116 (i.e., First Report and Order and subsequent Orders issued to the date this agreement was signed). As such, the parties agree to provide PNP via LRN to each other as required by such FCC Orders or industry agreed upon practices.

2.1.2 Other than as specifically set out elsewhere in this agreement, SBC MISSOURI does not offer PNP under this agreement. Rather, PNP is available as described in Section 14 of the Connecticut Tariff FCC No. 39.

2.2 The Parties shall:

2.2.1 disclose, upon request, any technical limitations that would prevent LNP implementation in a particular switching office; and

2.2.2 provide PNP services and facilities only where technically feasible, subject to the availability of facilities, and only from properly equipped central office.

2.3 Obligations of SBC-12STATE

2.3.1 SBC CALIFORNIA/SBC NEVADA/SBC-SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE/SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5STATE has deployed LRN in all of their switches.

2.3.2 SBC-13STATE will open unrestricted non portable codes within 180 days of the receipt of a BFR (bona fide request). A sample BFR is provided in Exhibit 1.

2.3.3 SBC-12STATE may cancel any line-based calling cards associated with telephone numbers ported from their switch.

2.4 Obligations of CLEC

2.4.1 The CLEC is responsible for advising the Number Portability Administration Center (NPAC) of telephone numbers that it imports and the associated data as identified in industry forums as being required for PNP.

2.4.2 After the initial deployment of PNP in a mandated MSA, CLEC shall submit a BFR (see EXHIBIT 1) to request that a SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5STATE switch in that MSA become LRN capable. The requested switch will be made LRN capable within the time frame stipulated by the FCC.

2.4.3 When CLEC requests that an NXX in an LRN capable SBC-12STATE switch become portable, CLEC shall follow the industry standard LERG procedure.

2.4.4 CLEC shall be certified by the Regional NPAC prior to scheduling Intercompany testing of PNP.

2.4.5 CLEC shall adhere to SBC-12STATE's Local Service Request (LSR) format and PNP due date intervals. Obligations of Both Parties

2.5.1 When a ported telephone number becomes vacant, e.g., the telephone number is no longer in service by the original End User, the ported telephone number will snap-back to the LERG assigned thousands block holder or the NXX code holder if pooling is being used in the rate center.

2.5.2 Each party has the right to block default routed call entering a network in order to protect the public switched network from overload, congestion, or failure propagation.

2.5.3 Industry guidelines shall be followed regarding all aspects of porting numbers from one network to another.

2.5.4 Intracompany testing shall be performed prior to the scheduling of intercompany testing.

2.5.5 Each Party will designate a single point of contact (SPOC) to schedule and perform required testing. These tests will be performed during a mutually agreed time frame and must meet the criteria set forth in industry guidelines.

2.5.6 Each Party shall abide by NANC and the associated industry guidelines for provisioning and implementation processes.

2.5.7 Each Party shall become responsible for the End User's other telecommunications related items, e.g. E911, Directory Listings, Operator Services, Line Information Database (LIDB), when they port the End User's telephone number to their switch.

2.5.8 Each party shall adhere to the reserved number terms and conditions pursuant to Appendix Numbering.

## 2.6 Limitations of Service

2.6.1 Telephone numbers can be ported as a basic network offering only within SBC Missouri rate centers as approved by State Commissions. "Porting within rate centers" refers to the physical location of the end user. If the end user changes his physical location from one rate center to another, he may not retain his telephone number (which indicates the old rate center) as a basic network (non FX) offering. An end user may retain his phone number assignment when moving from one rate center to another by receiving tariffed FX service from his new service provider or by the use of a Tariffed "Remote Call Forwarding" offering from his new service provider. The term "FX" in this attachment refers to number assignments and moves outside of rate centers, and is different from the term "FX" in the Compensation attachment which refers TO number assignments and moves outside of a mandatory local calling area.

2.6.2 Telephone numbers in the following NXXs shall not be ported (i) Official Communications Services (OCS) NXXs; and (ii) 555, 976, 950.

2.6.3 Telephone numbers with NXXs dedicated to choke/High Volume Call-In (HVCI) networks are not portable via LRN. Choke numbers will be ported as described in Section 5 of this Appendix.

## 2.7 Service Descriptions

2.7.1 The switch's LRN software determines if the called party is in a portable NXX. If the called party is in a portable NXX and if the number is not working on the switch, a query is launched to the PNP database to determine whether or not the called number is ported.

2.7.2 When the called number with a portable NXX is ported, an LRN is returned to the switch that launched the query. Per industry standards, the LRN appears in the CdPN (Called Party Number) field of the SS7 message and the called number then appears in the GAP (Generic Address Parameter) field.

2.7.3 When the called number with a portable NXX is not ported, the call is completed as in the pre-PNP environment.

2.7.4 The FCI (Forward Call Identifier) field's entry is changed from 0 to 1 by the switch triggering the query when a query is made, regardless of whether the called number is ported or not.

2.7.5 The CLEC shall populate the Jurisdictional Identification Parameter (JIP) field with the first six (6) digits (NPA NXX format) of the appropriate LRN of the originating switch.

## 2.8 Pricing

2.8.1 Except as set forth in Section 4, the parties agree not to charge each other for ordering, provisioning, or conversion of ported telephone numbers as a means for the other to recover the costs associated with LNP.

# 3. MASS CALLING CODES

## 3.1 General Terms and Conditions

3.1.1 Mass calling codes, i.e., choke/HVCI NXXs, are used in a network serving arrangement provided by either party in special circumstances where large numbers of incoming calls are solicited by an End User and the number of calls far exceeds the switching capacity of the terminating office, the number of lines available for terminating those calls, and/or the STP's query capacity to the PNP database. The following two different sets of End User objectives usually create this condition: (a) low call completion; and (b) high call completion.

- 3.1.2 Given the potentially hazardous effect calling conditions of this nature could have on the network, both parties will provide mass calling code portability using a non-LRN solution.

## 3.2 Service Provided

- 3.2.1 Both parties will offer the ability to port telephone numbers with mass calling NXX codes.
- 3.2.2 When a CLEC requests that a SBC-12STATE number with a mass calling NXX code be ported to its network, SBC-12STATE will build translations at the CSO to route the incoming calls to a CLEC provided dedicated Direct Inward Dial (DID) MF trunk group from the CSO to the CLEC central office.
- 3.2.3 In this non-LRN scenario, calls to the SBC-12STATE mass calling NXX code will leave the originating end office over dedicated MF (multi-frequency) trunk groups to the SBC-12STATE mass calling tandem and/or SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE mass calling hub. The mass calling tandem will then route the calls over dedicated MF trunks to the SBC-12STATE choke serving central office (CSO).

## 3.3 Obligations of SBC-12STATE

- 3.3.1 SBC-12STATE will port its numbers with mass calling NXXs upon request by the CLEC.
- 3.3.2 SBC-12STATE will not charge the CLEC for the use of its choke network by the CLEC's mass calling customer. In exchange, SBC-12STATE shall not be responsible to pay intercompany terminating compensation for terminating minutes of use (MOU) for ported choke calls.

## 3.4 Obligations of CLEC

- 3.4.1 CLEC and SBC-12STATE shall agree as to the mass calling due date intervals.
- 3.4.2 The CLEC shall provide the facility and DID trunk group from the SBC-12STATE CSO to the CLEC's serving office. The CLEC shall size this one-way MF trunk group.

## 3.5 CLEC Mass Calling Codes

- 3.5.1 Should the CLEC assign a mass calling NXX code(s) and establish a mass calling interface for traffic destined to its CSO(s), the CLEC shall connect its CSO(s) on a SBC-12STATE mass calling tandem and a similar mass calling trunking arrangement (one-way outgoing with MF signaling) will be provided from SBC-12STATE's tandem and/or SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE mass calling hub to the CLEC. In order to allow the Parties time to order and install such mass calling trunks, the CLEC shall provide SBC-12STATE notification of its intention to deploy mass calling NXX code(s) at least ninety (90) days before such codes are opened in the LERG. For more information regarding this mass local interconnection trunk group, See Appendix ITR.
- 3.5.2 MF SS7 trunk groups shall not be provided within a DS1 facility. A separate DS1 facility per signaling type must be used. Where SBC-12STATE and CLEC both provide mass calling trunking, both Parties' mass calling trunks may ride the same DS1 facility.

# 4. SPNP QUERY SERVICE

- 4.1 The N-1 carrier (N carrier is the responsible Party for terminating call to the End User based on the FCC rules) has the responsibility to determine if a query is required, to launch the query, and to route the call to the switch or network in which the telephone number resides.
- 4.2 If either party chooses not to fulfill its N-1 carrier responsibility, the other party will perform default queries on calls to telephone numbers with portable NXXs received from the N-1 carrier and route the call to the switch or network in which the telephone number resides. In such event, the party providing the query service will charge and CLEC agrees to pay the default queries charges set forth in the CLEC contract or the SBC tariffs following:

- 4.2.1 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - Section 6 of the FCC No. 2 Access Services Tariff
- 4.2.2 SBC NEVADA - Section 19 of the FCC No. 1 Access Services Tariff
- 4.2.3 SBC CALIFORNIA - Section 13 of the FCC No. 1 Access Services Tariff
- 4.2.4 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - Section 34 of the FCC No. 73 Access Services Tariff.
- 4.3 SBC-12STATE provides CLECs the optional use of the SBC-12STATE LNP database via the SPNP Query Service-Database. When CLEC orders SPNP Query Service-Database, SBC-12STATE shall charge and CLEC agrees to pay the SPNP Query Service-Database service charges set forth in the appropriate tariff cited in 4.2 above. The CLEC's Signal Transfer Point (STP), tandem, and/or end office's LRN software will determine the need for, and triggers, the query. SBC-12STATE's LNP database will determine if a number has, or has not, been ported and will provide LRN if a number is ported.
- 4.4 When purchasing the SPNP Query Service - Database, CLEC will access SBC-12STATE's facilities via an SS7 link to the SBC-12STATE STP.
- 4.5 When purchasing the SLNP Query Service - Database, CLEC will advise SBC-12STATE of the entry point(s) of queries to the SBC-12STATE network and provide a query forecast for each entry point.
- 4.6 If SBC-12STATE chooses not to fulfill its N-1 carrier responsibility, CLEC will perform default queries on calls to telephone numbers with portable NXXs received from the N-1 carrier and route the call to the switch or network in which the telephone number resides. In such event CLEC will charge and SBC-12STATE agrees to pay the default queries charges set forth in CLEC's appropriate access tariff.

5. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER RATES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 5.1 Every interconnection, service and network element provided hereunder, shall be subject to all rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement which are legitimately related to such interconnection, service or network element. Without limiting the general applicability of the foregoing, the following terms and conditions of the General Terms and Conditions are specifically agreed by the Parties to be legitimately related to, and to be applicable to, each interconnection, service and network element provided hereunder: definitions, interpretation, construction and severability; notice of changes; general responsibilities of the Parties; effective date, term and termination; fraud; deposits; billing and payment of charges; non-payment and procedures for disconnection; dispute resolution; audits; disclaimer of representations and warranties; limitation of liability; indemnification; remedies; intellectual property; publicity and use of trademarks or service marks; no license; confidentiality; intervening law; governing law; regulatory approval; changes in End User local exchange service provider selection; compliance and certification; law enforcement; no third party beneficiaries; disclaimer of agency; relationship of the Parties/independent contractor; subcontracting; assignment; responsibility for environmental contamination; force majeure; taxes; non-waiver; network maintenance and management; signaling; transmission of traffic to third parties; customer inquiries; expenses; conflicts of interest; survival; scope of agreement; amendments and modifications; and entire agreement.

## EXHIBIT 1

### PERMANENT NUMBER PORTABILITY (PNP) BONA FIDE REQUEST (BFR) PROCESS

The Permanent Number Portability (PNP) Bona Fide Request (BFR) is a process that Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLECs) shall use to request that PNP be deployed in a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) beyond the 100 largest MSAs in the country and additional switch(es) in an MSA in which PNP has been deployed.

Per the FCC First Report and Order and Further Notice Of Proposed Rulemaking (July, 1996, ¶180), CLEC can request that PNP be deployed in additional MSAs beginning January 1, 1999. SBC-13STATE is to provide PNP in that MSA in the requested switches within six (6) months of receipt of BFR.

Per the FCC's First Memorandum Opinion And Order On Reconsideration (March 1997, ¶¶65,66), switches that were not requested to be PNP capable in the initial PNP deployment in the top 100 MSAs can be requested to be made PNP capable. The following time frames begin after an MSA's Phase end date has been reached:

- equipped remote switches within 30 days
- hardware capable switches within 60 days
- capable switches requiring hardware within 180 days
- non-capable switches within 180 days

These time frames begin after the receipt of a BFR.

## REQUEST FOR INSTALLATION OF PNP SOFTWARE

The request to make one or more switches in an MSA PNP capable shall be made in the form of a letter or the form on pages 3 through 5 of this Attachment from CLEC to its SBC-13STATE Account Manager which shall specify the following:

- The MSA in which requested switch(es) are located.
- The switch(es), by CLLI code, that are to become PNP capable.
- The date when PNP capability is requested with the FCC established time frames being the least amount of time.

An initial response from the SBC-13STATE Account Manager, acknowledging receipt of the BFR and the date when requested switch(es) will be PNP capable, must be made to CLEC within ten (10) business days of receipt of the BFR.

## Local Number Portability (LNP) Bona Fide Request (BFR)

DATE: (date of request)

TO: (name of service provider)  
(address of service provider)  
(contact name/number)

FROM: (requester/service provider name/ID)  
(requester switch(es)/CLLI)  
(authorized by name)  
(authorized by title)  
(contact name/address/number)

Affidavit attesting requester as authorized agent should accompany request.

SWITCH(ES):

CLLI <sup>1</sup>	Rate Center Name <sup>2</sup>	Rate Center VC/HC <sup>2</sup>	NPA-NXX(s) <sup>3</sup>
			All: Y or N
			All: Y or N
			All: Y or N
			All: Y or N
			All: Y or N

DATES: Requested date switch(es) should be LNP capable: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)  
Requested code opening date<sup>4</sup>: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)

Notes: See following page.

Acknowledgment of BFR is to be sent to the requester within ten business days.

Notes: <sup>1</sup> List each switch targeted for LNP by its specific CLLI code.

<sup>2</sup> Enter associated Rate Center Information from LERG, including: Rate Center Name and Associated V&H Terminating Point Master Coordinates; Source of the LERG information: Destination Code Record (DRD) Screen.

<sup>3</sup> Circle or highlight Y if requesting all eligible NPA-NXX codes in that specific switch to be opened. Circle or highlight N if only certain NPA NXX codes are being requested, then provide list of desired NPA NXX(s).

**Note:** Targeting of specific NPA-NXX codes should be carefully considered. A traditional ILEC may serve a single rate center with multiple switches (CLLIs and NXX codes) while CLEC may serve multiple rate centers with a single switch. In the latter case, use of a specific NXX code will determine the rate center.

<sup>4</sup> As documented in the Southwest Region Code Opening Process.

## Acknowledgment of LNP Bona Fide Request (BFR)

DATE: (date of response)

TO: (requester/CLEC name/ID)  
(contact name/address/number)  
(requester switch(es)/CLLI)

FROM: (name of service provider)  
(address of provider)  
(contact name/number)

Switch request(s) accepted:

CLLI Accepted	LNP Effective Date	or	Modified Effective Date	Ineligible NPA-NXXs
(CLLI 1)	_____		_____	_____
(CLLI 2)	_____		_____	_____
(CLLI 3)	_____		_____	_____
(CLLI 4)	_____		_____	_____

Switch request(s) denied/reason for denial:

(CLLI 1): \_\_\_\_\_

(CLLI 2): \_\_\_\_\_

(CLLI 3): \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized company representative signature/title:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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## APPENDIX NUMBERING

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin will coordinate with respect to NXX assignments.
- 1.2 As used herein, SBC-13STATE means the above listed ILECs doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.

### 2. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or otherwise adversely impact in any manner either Party's right to employ or to request and be assigned any North American Numbering Plan (NANP) number resources from the numbering administrator 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 it is assigned.
- 2.2 Intentionally Left Blank
- 2.3 Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the North American Numbering Council Local Number Portability Architecture and Administrative Plan report, which was adopted by the FCC, Second Report and Order, CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997, portability is technically limited to rate center/rate district boundaries of the incumbent LEC due to rating and routing concerns.
- 2.4 Each Party is responsible 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. Neither Party shall impose fees or charges on the other Party for such required porting request, programming, and updating activities.
- 2.5 Each Party is responsible to input required data into the Routing Data Base Systems (RDBS) and into the Telcordia Rating Administrative Data Systems (BRADS) or other appropriate system(s) necessary to update the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG), unless negotiated otherwise.
- 2.6 Neither Party is responsible for notifying the other Parties' End Users of any changes in dialing arrangements, including those due to NPA exhaust.
- 2.7 NXX Migration
  - 2.7.1 Where either Party has activated or reserved under contract or tariff an entire NXX for a single end user and such End-User chooses to receive service from the other Party, the first Party shall cooperate with the second Party to have the entire NXX reassigned in the LERG (and associated industry databases, routing tables, etc.) to an End Office operated by the second Party. Such transfer will require development of a transition process to minimize impact on the Network and on the end user(s)' service and will be subject to appropriate industry lead times (currently forty-five (45) days) for movements of NXXs from one switch to another. The Party to whom the NXX is migrated will pay NXX migration charges per NXX to the Party formerly assigned the NXX as described in the Pricing Appendix under "OTHER."
- 2.8 Test Numbers
  - 2.8.1 Each Party is responsible for providing to the other, valid test numbers. One number terminating to a VOICE announcement identifying the Company and one number terminating to a milliwatt tone

providing answer supervision and allowing simultaneous connection from multiple test lines. Both numbers should remain in service indefinitely for regressive testing purposes.

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## APPENDIX OSS

### (ACCESS TO OPERATIONS SUPPORT SYSTEMS FUNCTIONS)

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for nondiscriminatory access to Operations Support Systems (OSS) "functions" to CLEC for pre-ordering, ordering, provisioning, maintenance/repair, and billing provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC). With respect to all matters covered by this Appendix, the Parties will comply with the final SBC/Ameritech POR for Uniform and Enhanced OSS (Uniform POR) as approved by FCC on September 22, 2000.
- 1.2 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin.
- 1.3 SBC-2STATE - As used herein, SBC-2STATE means SBC CALIFORNIA and SBC NEVADA, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in California and Nevada.
- 1.4 SBC-4STATE - As used herein, SBC-4STATE means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, and SBC Oklahoma the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.
- 1.5 SBC-7STATE - As used herein, SBC-7STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC CALIFORNIA and SBC NEVADA, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma and Texas.
- 1.6 SBC-8STATE - As used herein, SBC-8STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC CALIFORNIA, SBC NEVADA and SBC CONNECTICUT, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma and Texas.
- 1.7 SBC-10STATE - As used herein, SBC-10STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.8 SBC-12STATE - As used herein, SBC-12STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC-2STATE the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, SBC Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.9 SBC-13STATE - As used herein, SBC-13STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC-2STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.10 SBC ARKANSAS - As used herein, SBC ARKANSAS means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Arkansas.
- 1.11 SBC CALIFORNIA - As used herein, SBC CALIFORNIA means Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in California.
- 1.12 SBC CONNECTICUT - As used herein, SBC CONNECTICUT means The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, the applicable above listed ILEC doing business in Connecticut.

- 1.13 SBC KANSAS - As used herein, SBC KANSAS means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Kansas, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Kansas.
- 1.14 SBC ILLINOIS - As used herein, SBC ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.15 SBC INDIANA - As used herein, SBC INDIANA means Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Indiana.
- 1.16 SBC MICHIGAN - As used herein, SBC MICHIGAN means Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, the applicable SBC-owned doing business in Michigan.
- 1.17 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.
- 1.18 SBC MISSOURI - As used herein, SBC MISSOURI means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Missouri.
- 1.19 SBC NEVADA - As used herein, SBC NEVADA means Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Nevada.
- 1.20 SBC OHIO - As used herein, SBC OHIO means The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Ohio.
- 1.21 SBC OKLAHOMA - As used herein, SBC OKLAHOMA means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Oklahoma, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Oklahoma.
- 1.22 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas the applicable above listed ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.
- 1.23 SBC TEXAS - As used herein, SBC TEXAS means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Texas, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Texas.
- 1.24 SBC WISCONSIN - As used herein, SBC WISCONSIN means Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Wisconsin.
- 1.25 SBC-13STATE has established performance measurements to illustrate non-discriminatory access. These measurements are represented in Appendix Performance Measurements.
- 1.26 "LSC" means (i) the Local Service Center (LSC) for SBC-12STATE; (ii) Local Exchange Carrier Center (LECC) for SBC CONNECTICUT.
- 1.27 "LOC" means (i) the Local Operations Center (LOC) for SBC-8STATE; and (ii) the Customer Response Unit (CRU) for SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE.
- 1.28 "Service Bureau Provider" - For purposes of this Agreement, Service Bureau Provider (SBP) is a company which has been engaged by a CLEC to act on its behalf for purposes of accessing SBC-13STATE's OSS application-to-application interfaces via a dedicated connection over which multiple CLECs' local service transactions are transported.
- 1.29 "UNE" is as described in Appendix Lawful UNE.

## 2. UNBUNDLING REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 This Appendix is for OSS transactions related to UNEs (as provided in Appendix Lawful UNE), and Resold service which SBC-13STATE provides under this Interconnection Agreement (ICA service(s)). Should

SBC-13STATE no longer be obligated to provide a UNE under the terms of this Agreement, SBC-13STATE shall no longer be obligated to offer access and use of OSS for that ICA service.

### 3. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 3.1 Resale and Unbundled Network Elements (UNE) functions will be accessible via electronic interface(s), as described herein, where such functions are available. The Parties agree that electronic order processing is more efficient than manual order processing. During implementation the Parties will negotiate a threshold volume of orders after which electronic ordering is required. Once CLEC is submitting more than the agreed to threshold amount, but not later than twelve (12) months from the Effective Date of this Agreement, CLEC will no longer submit orders manually (and SBC-13STATE shall not be required to accept and process manual orders) except when the electronic order processing is unavailable for a substantial period of time, or where a given order cannot be processed electronically. Provided however, in SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE where a flat rate monthly OSS access and connectivity charge exists, a CLEC who has been using OSS electronic interfaces and decides to revert to manual for all purposes, to avoid such flat rate OSS system access and connectivity charges, may do so upon written notice to their Local Account Manager, or when CLEC elects to remain manual and not to use OSS in order to avoid SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE's flat rate monthly OSS charges.
- 3.2 Proper Use of OSS interfaces:
- 3.2.1 For SBC-13STATE, CLEC agrees to utilize SBC-13STATE electronic interfaces, as described herein, only for the purposes of establishing and maintaining Resale Services or UNEs through SBC-13STATE. In addition, CLEC agrees that such use will comply with SBC-13STATE's Data Connection Security Requirements as identified in Section 9 of this Appendix. Failure to comply with such security guidelines may result in forfeiture of electronic access to OSS functionality. In addition, CLEC shall be responsible for and indemnifies SBC-13STATE against any cost, expense or liability relating to any unauthorized entry or access into, or use or manipulation of SBC-13STATE's OSS from CLEC systems, workstations or terminals or by CLEC employees, agents, or any third party gaining access through information and/or facilities obtained from or utilized by CLEC and shall pay SBC-13STATE for any and all damages caused by such unauthorized entry.
- 3.3 Within SBC-13STATE regions, CLEC's access to pre-order functions described in 4.2.2 will only be utilized to view Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) of another carrier's End User where CLEC has obtained an authorization for release of CPNI from the End User and has obtained an authorization to become the End User's Local Service Provider.
- 3.3.1 In SBC-13STATE regions, CLEC must maintain records of individual customers' authorizations for change in local exchange service and release of CPNI which adhere to all requirements of state and federal law, as applicable.
- 3.3.2 This section applies to SBC CALIFORNIA ONLY. For consumer End Users, prior to accessing such information, CLEC shall, on its own behalf and on behalf of SBC CALIFORNIA, comply with all applicable requirements of Section 2891 of the California Public Utilities Code and 47 USC 222 (and implementing FCC decisions thereunder), and, where accessing such information via an electronic interface, CLEC shall have obtained an authorization to become the End User's local service provider. Accessing such information by CLEC shall constitute certification that CLEC is in compliance with applicable requirements of Section 2891 and Section 222 (and implementing FCC decisions thereunder) and has complied with the prior sentence. CLEC shall receive and retain such information in conformance with the requirements of 47 USC 222 (and implementing FCC decisions thereunder). CLEC agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless SBC CALIFORNIA against any claim made by a consumer End User or governmental entity against SBC CALIFORNIA or CLEC under Section 2891 or Section 222 (and implementing FCC decisions thereunder) or for any breach by CLEC of this section.

- 3.3.3 Throughout SBC-13STATE region, CLEC is solely responsible for determining whether proper authorization has been obtained and holds SBC-13STATE harmless from any loss on account of CLEC's failure to obtain proper CPNI consent from an End User.
- 3.4 By utilizing electronic interfaces to access OSS functions, CLEC agrees to perform accurate and correct ordering including Resale services and UNEs, rates, and charges, subject to the terms of this Agreement and applicable tariffs dependent on region of operation. CLEC is also responsible for all actions of its employees using any of SBC-13STATE's OSS systems. As such, CLEC agrees to accept and pay all reasonable costs or expenses, including labor costs, incurred by SBC-13STATE caused by any and all inaccurate ordering or usage of the OSS, if such costs are not already recovered through other charges assessed by SBC-13STATE to CLEC. In addition, CLEC agrees to indemnify and hold SBC-13STATE harmless against any claim made by an End User of CLEC or other third parties against SBC-13STATE caused by or related to CLEC's use of any SBC-13STATE OSS.
- 3.5 In the event SBC-13STATE has good cause to believe that CLEC has used SBC-13STATE OSS in a way that conflicts with this Agreement or Applicable Law, SBC-owned ILEC in whose territory CLEC is doing business shall give CLEC written notice describing the alleged misuse ("Notice of Misuse"). CLEC shall immediately refrain from the alleged misuse until such time that CLEC responds in writing to the Notice of Misuse, which shall be provided to SBC-13STATE within twenty (20) calendar days after receipt of the Notice of Misuse. In the event CLEC agrees with the allegation of misuse, CLEC shall refrain from the alleged misuse during the term of this Agreement.
- 3.6 In the event CLEC does not agree that the CLEC's use of SBC-13STATE OSS is inconsistent with this Agreement or Applicable Law, then the parties agree to the following steps:
- 3.6.1 If such misuse involves improper access of pre-order applications to obtain CPNI in violation of this Agreement, Applicable Law, or involves a violation of the security guidelines contained herein, or negatively affects another OSS user's ability to use OSS, CLEC shall continue to refrain from using the particular OSS functionality in the manner alleged by SBC-13STATE to be improper, until CLEC has implemented a mutually agreeable remedy to the alleged misuse.
- 3.6.2 To remedy the misuse for the balance of the agreement, Parties will work together as necessary to mutually determine a permanent resolution for the balance of the term of the agreement.
- 3.7 In order to determine whether CLEC has engaged in the alleged misuse described in the Notice of Misuse, and for good cause shown, SBC-13STATE shall have the right to conduct an audit of CLEC's use of the SBC-13STATE OSS. Such audit shall be limited to auditing those aspects of CLEC's use of the SBC-13STATE OSS that relate to the allegation of misuse as set forth in the Notice of Misuse. SBC-13STATE shall give ten (10) calendar days advance written notice of its intent to audit CLEC ("Audit Notice") under this Section 3.7, and shall identify the type of information needed for the audit. Such Audit Notice may not precede the Notice of Misuse. Within a reasonable time following the Audit Notice, but no less than fourteen (14) calendar days after the date of the notice (unless otherwise agreed by the Parties), CLEC shall provide SBC-13STATE with access to the requested information in any reasonably requested format, at an appropriate CLEC location, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. The audit shall be at SBC-13STATE's expense. All information obtained through such an audit shall be deemed proprietary and/or confidential and subject to confidential treatment without necessity for marking such information confidential. SBC-13STATE agrees that it shall only use employees or outside parties to conduct the audit who do not have marketing, strategic analysis, competitive assessment or similar responsibilities within SBC-13STATE.
- 3.8 When Resale Service and UNE order functions are not available via an electronic interface for the pre-order, ordering and provisioning processes, SBC-13STATE and CLEC will use manual processes. Should SBC-13STATE develop electronic interfaces for these functions for itself, SBC-13STATE will make electronic access available to CLEC within the specific operating region.

- 3.9 The Information Services (I.S.) Call Center for the SBC-13STATE region provides for technical support function of electronic OSS interfaces. CLEC will also provide a single point of contact for technical issues related to the CLEC's electronic interfaces.
- 3.10 The Parties will follow the final adopted guidelines of "SBC Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) 13-State Interface Change Management Process", developed in collaboration with CLECs. This plan may be modified from time to time in accordance with the Change Management principles.
- 3.11 SBC-13STATE will and CLEC may participate in the Order and Billing Forum (OBF) and the Telecommunications Industry Forum (TCIF) to establish and conform to uniform industry guidelines for electronic interfaces for pre-order, ordering, and provisioning. Neither Party waives its rights as participants in such forums or in the implementation of the guidelines. To achieve system functionality as quickly as possible, the Parties acknowledge that SBC-13STATE may deploy interfaces with requirements developed in advance of industry guidelines. Thus, subsequent modifications may be necessary to comply with emerging guidelines. CLEC and SBC-13STATE are individually responsible for evaluating the risk of developing their respective systems in advance of guidelines and agree to support their own system modifications to comply with new requirements. In addition, SBC-13STATE has the right to define Local Service Request (LSR) Usage requirements according to the General Section 1.0, paragraph 1.4 of the practices in the OBF Local Service Ordering Guidelines (LSOG), which states: "Options described in this practice may not be applicable to individual providers tariffs; therefore, use of either the field or valid entries within the field is based on the providers tariffs/practices."
- 3.12 Due to enhancements and on-going development of access to SBC-13STATE's OSS functions, certain interfaces described in this Appendix may be modified, temporarily unavailable or may be phased out after execution of this Appendix. SBC-13STATE shall provide proper notice of interface phase-out as required by the Change Management process.
- 3.13 CLEC is responsible for obtaining operating system software and hardware to access SBC-13STATE OSS functions. All hardware and software requirements are specified in: "CLEC Hardware/Software Requirements for Access of SBC Uniform OSS Applications", or any other documents or interface requirements subsequently generated by SBC-13STATE for any of its regions.

#### 4. PRE-ORDERING

- 4.1 SBC-13STATE will provide real time access to pre-order functions to support CLEC ordering of Resale services and UNEs. The Parties acknowledge that ordering requirements necessitate the use of current, real time pre-order information to accurately build service orders. The following lists represent pre-order functions that are available to CLEC so that CLEC order requests may be created to comply with SBC-13STATE region-specific ordering requirements.
- 4.2 Pre-Ordering functions for Resale Services and UNEs include
  - 4.2.1 Feature/Service Availability

Feature Inquiry provides SBC-13STATE with feature and service availability by WTN, NPA/NXX, and CLLI Code (as applicable).

    - 4.2.1.2 PIC/LPIC Inquiry provides SBC-13STATE Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC) options for intraLATA toll and interLATA toll.
  - 4.2.2 Customer Service Information - CSI Inquiry

Access to SBC-13STATE retail or resold CPNI and account information for pre-ordering will include: billing name, service address, billing address, service and feature subscription, directory listing information, and long distance carrier identity. CLEC agrees that CLEC's representatives will not access the information specified in this subsection until after the End User requests that his or her Local Service Provider be changed to CLEC, and an End User authorization for release of CPNI complies with conditions as described in section 3.2 of this Appendix.

#### 4.2.3 Telephone Number Inquiry

SBC-13STATE provides a Telephone Number Reservation Inquiry and a Cancel Reservation function. With the rollout of the Uniform Pre-Order Interfaces, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE also provides a Telephone Number Confirmation Inquiry function.

#### 4.2.4 Scheduling Inquiry/Availability

4.2.4.1 Due Date Inquiry provides next available dates for the End User (where available).

4.2.4.2 Dispatch Inquiry provides information to indicate whether dispatch is required.

#### 4.2.5 Address Validation Inquiry

SBC-13STATE provides address validation function.

#### 4.3 The following are Pre-Order functions specific to UNEs

##### 4.3.1 Loop Pre-Qualification and Loop Qualification Inquiry

SBC-13STATE provides pre-order loop qualification information specific to DSL capable and Line Shared UNE loops consistent with the XDSL and Advanced Services OSS Plan of Record filed 4/3/00 and approved by FCC on 12/22/00.

##### 4.3.2 Common Language Location Indicator (CLLI) Inquiry

SBC-13STATE provides CLLI code inquiry function.

##### 4.3.3 Connecting Facility Assignment (CFA) Inquiry

SBC-13STATE provides a CFA inquiry function.

##### 4.3.4 Network Channel/Network Channel Interface (NC/NCI) Inquiry

SBC-13STATE provides a NC/NCI inquiry function.

#### 4.4 Electronic Access to Pre-Order Functions

##### 4.4.1 Resale and UNE Pre-order Interface Availability

4.4.1.1 Enhanced Verigate is the 13-state uniform pre-order GUI interface available in SBC-13STATE to provide the pre-ordering functions listed in section 4.2. Enhanced Verigate is accessible via a web-based Toolbar.

4.4.1.2 An industry standard EDI/CORBA Pre-ordering Gateway is provided by SBC-13STATE. This pre-ordering gateway supports two structural protocols, EDI and CORBA, as recommended by the technical industry committees. EDI/CORBA, is the 13-state uniform pre-order application-to-application interface that can be integrated with the CLEC's own negotiation system and that supports both Resale services and UNEs.

4.4.1.3 DataGate is a transaction-based data query system through which SBC-7STATE provides CLEC access to pre-ordering functions. This gateway shall be a Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) gateway and will, once CLEC has developed its own interface, allow CLEC to access the pre-order functions for Resale services and UNEs. DataGate follows industry guidelines, but is based on SBC-7STATE's proprietary pre-ordering functionality.

4.4.1.4 Consumer Easy-Access Sales Environment (C-EASE): C-EASE is an ordering entry system through which SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE provides CLEC access to the functions of pre-ordering to order SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE consumer Resale services.

4.4.1.5 Business Easy Access Sales Environment (B-EASE): B-EASE is an ordering entry system through which SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE provides CLEC access to the functions of pre-ordering to order SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE business Resale services.

4.4.1.6 Service Order Retrieval and Distribution (SORD) is available for the pre-order function of viewing the CPNI, when SORD is used to order SBC CALIFORNIA Resale service.

4.4.1.7 Intentionally Left Blank

**4.5 Other Pre-order Function Availability**

4.5.1 Where pre-ordering functions are not available electronically, CLEC will manually request this information from the LSC, dependent on operating region, for inclusion on the service order request.

4.5.2 Data Validation Files are available for the purpose of providing requesting CLECs with an alternate method of acquiring pre-ordering information that is considered relatively static. Upon request, SBC-13STATE will provide CLECs with any of the following Data Validation Files via Connect:Direct, CD-ROM, or downloadable via the pre-order GUI - Enhanced Verigate. Due to its size, the Street Address Guide (SAG) will be available only via Connect:Direct, and CD-ROM.

Data Validation Files:

SAG (Street Address Guide)

Feature/Service Availability by Switch

Directory Names

Class of Service Codes

USOC (Universal Service Order Codes)

Community Names

Yellow Page Headings

PIC/LPIC (InterLATA/IntraLATA)

**5. ORDERING/PROVISIONING**

5.1 SBC-13STATE provides access to ordering functions (as measured from the time SBC-13STATE receives accurate service requests from the interface) to support CLEC provisioning of Resale services and UNEs via one or more electronic interfaces. To order Resale services and UNEs, CLEC will format the service request to identify what features, services, or elements it wishes SBC-13STATE to provision in accordance with applicable SBC-13STATE ordering requirements. SBC-13STATE will provide CLEC access to one or more of the following systems or interfaces:

**5.2 Service Order Request System Availability**

5.2.1 SBC-13STATE makes available to CLEC an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) application to application interface for transmission of Local Service Requests (LSR) as defined by the OBF, consistent with SBC-13STATE Local Service Order Requirements (LSOR), and via EDI mapping as defined by TCIF. In ordering and provisioning of Resale Services or UNEs, CLEC and SBC-13STATE will utilize industry guidelines developed by OBF and TCIF EDI to transmit data based upon SBC-13STATE's Resale Service and UNE ordering requirements, dependent on operating region. In addition, Local Number Portability (LNP) will be ordered consistent with the OBF LSR and EDI process.

5.2.2 For SBC-13STATE, web-based LEX is the new 13-state uniform ordering GUI interface that provides access to the uniform ordering functions for Resale Services and UNEs. Web-based LEX is accessible via a web-based Toolbar.

5.2.3 For SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE region, C-EASE is available for the ordering of consumer Resale services.

5.2.4 For SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE region, B-EASE is available for the ordering of business Resale services.

5.2.5 For SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC CALIFORNIA regions, SORD interface provides CLECs with the ability to create Resale and UNE orders as well as certain complex Resale

and UNE orders that cannot be ordered through Easy Access Sales Environment (EASE), Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) or Local Exchange (LEX).

5.2.5.1 For SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE region, SORD interface supports CLEC initiated modification of service orders submitted electronically by CLEC via the following SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE OSS applications: Business EASE, Consumer EASE or SORD (via DOES-Direct Order Entry System). CLEC should not use SORD to modify service orders issued electronically via LEX/EDI. In addition, CLEC should not use SORD to modify orders submitted manually to the LSC. The Parties agree that the following conditions are applicable to EASE and SORD generated service orders with errors corrected via SORD. If CLEC chooses to use SORD to issue orders and/or modify EASE generated orders, then CLEC becomes responsible for correction of all EASE and SORD service order errors that occur between order application and order completion. CLEC may need to call the LSC to obtain additional information. For terms and conditions for service order error correction within SORD, see section 5.3.3.

5.2.5.2 In SBC CALIFORNIA region, any service order errors will be corrected by the LSC. CLEC will be given a list generated by the LSC of CLEC order errors, and CLEC will be responsible for contacting their customer when necessary to clear an error. With CLEC being the point of contact for their customer, the CLEC agrees to respond timely to the LSC with correct information in order for LSC to complete the correction of the error and subsequent completion of the order. For terms and conditions for service order error correction within SORD, see section 5.3.3.

5.2.6 In ordering and provisioning Unbundled Dedicated Transport and local interconnection trunks, CLEC and SBC-13STATE will utilize industry ASR guidelines developed by OBF based upon SBC-13STATE ordering requirements.

### 5.3 Provisioning for Resale Services and UNEs in SBC-13STATE

SBC-13STATE will provision Resale services and UNEs as detailed in CLEC order requests. Access to status on such orders will be provided via the following electronic interfaces:

5.3.1 For SBC-13STATE, Order Status and Provisioning Order Status functionality is provided through the Enhanced Verigate interface which will allow CLEC to check service order status. In addition, in SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE pending orders can be viewed in SORD.

5.3.2 For EDI ordering, SBC-13STATE will provide, and CLEC shall use, an EDI interface for transferring and receiving orders, Firm Order Confirmation (FOC), service completion, and, as available, other provisioning data and information.

5.3.3 For SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC CALIFORNIA regions, as detailed in section 5.2.3, the Parties agree that the following timelines are applicable to electronically generated service orders with errors corrected via SORD:

5.3.3.1 Errors occurring between application and distribution must be corrected within five (5) business hours for a simple order and within twenty four (24) hours for a complex order;

5.3.3.2 Error Service Order Image (ESOI) errors must be corrected within three (3) business hours.

5.3.3.3 Service orders will be excluded from calculation of the results for all related performance measurements, described in Appendix Performance Measurements, if CLEC fails to correct service order errors within the timeframes specified in this Section 5.3.3.

5.3.3.4 Additionally, service orders with errors that occur after order generation, but prior to distribution will not qualify for an SBC-13STATE issued FOC.

## 6. MAINTENANCE/REPAIR

- 6.1 Two electronic interfaces are accessible in each region to place, and check the status of, trouble reports for both Resale services and UNEs. Upon request, CLEC may access these functions via the following methods:
  - 6.1.1 In SBC-13STATE, Electronic Bonding for Trouble Administration - Graphical User Interface (EBTA-GUI) is the 13 state uniform GUI interface that allows CLEC to perform MLT, issue trouble tickets, view status, and view trouble history on-line.
  - 6.1.2 In SBC-13STATE, Electronic Bonding Trouble Administration (EBTA) is the 13 state uniform application to application interface that is available for trouble report submission and status updates. EBTA conforms to ANSI guidelines T1.227:1995, T1.228:1995 and T1.262:1998, Electronic Communications Implementation Committee (ECIC) Trouble Report Format Definition (TRFD) Number 1 as defined in ECIC document ECIC/TRA/95-003, and all guidelines referenced within those documents, as mutually agreed upon by CLEC and SBC-13STATE. Functions currently implemented include Enter Trouble, Request Trouble Report Status, Add Trouble Information, Modify Trouble Report Attributes, Trouble Report Attribute Value Change Notification, and Cancel Trouble Report, as explained in 6 and 9 of ANSI T1.228:1995. CLEC and SBC-13STATE will exchange requests over a mutually agreeable X.25-based network.

## 7. BILLING

- 7.1 SBC-13STATE will bill CLEC for Resold services and UNEs. SBC-13STATE will send associated billing information to CLEC as necessary to allow CLEC to perform billing functions. At minimum SBC-13STATE will provide CLEC billing information in a paper format, or via 18-track magnetic tape, as agreed to between CLEC and SBC-13STATE. Such alternate bill media will be made available to CLEC consistent with the individual state tariff provisions.
- 7.2 Electronic access to billing information for Resale services will also be available via the following interfaces:
  - 7.2.1 In SBC-13STATE, CLEC may receive a mechanized bill format via the EDI 811 transaction set.
  - 7.2.2 For Resale Services in SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, CLEC may receive Bill Plus™, an electronic version of its bill, as described in, and in accordance with, SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE's Local Exchange Tariff.
  - 7.2.3 For Resale Services in SBC CALIFORNIA, CLEC may elect to receive Custom Billing Disk/ CD Bill. Custom Billing Disk/ CD Bill provides an electronic bill with the same information as a paper bill along with various reporting options.
  - 7.2.4 For Resale Services in SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, CLEC may elect to receive its bill on CD.
  - 7.2.5 For Resale Services in SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, CLEC may also view billing information through the Bill Information interface. Bill Information will be accessible via SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE Classic Toolbar.
  - 7.2.6 In SBC-13STATE, CLEC may receive electronically a Daily Usage Extract. On a daily basis, this feed provides information on the usage billed to its accounts for Resale services in the industry standardized EMI format.
  - 7.2.7 SBC-13STATE will provide Loss Notifications. This notification alerts CLECs that a change requested by another telecommunications provider has been completed and, as a result, the Local Service Provider associated with a given telephone number has been changed. It will be provided via the uniform ordering application to application interface using the EDI 836 transaction, and will also be available via the uniform ordering GUI interface, WebLEX.
  - 7.2.8 In SBC CONNECTICUT, CLEC may receive a Billing Detail File on 18-track magnetic tape.
  - 7.2.9 In SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, CLEC may receive a mechanized bill for Resale Services via the SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE Electronic Billing System (AEBS) transaction set.

- 7.3 Electronic access to billing information for UNEs will also be available via the following interfaces:
- 7.3.1 SBC-13STATE makes available to CLECs a local Bill Data Tape to receive data in an electronic format from its CABS database. The local Bill Data Tape contains the same information that would appear on CLEC's paper bill.
  - 7.3.2 In SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, CLEC may also view billing information through the Bill Information interface. Bill Information will be accessible via SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE Classic Toolbar.
  - 7.3.3 In SBC-13STATE, CLECs will receive a Daily Usage Extract electronically, on a daily basis, with information on the usage billed to its accounts for UNEs in the industry standardized Exchange Message Interface (EMI) format.
  - 7.3.4 SBC-13STATE, CLEC may receive a uniform loss notification via EDI 836 transaction or via the uniform GUI interface, WebLEX. For UNEs this loss notification indicates when CLEC's End Users, utilizing SBC-13STATE ports, change their Competitive Local Exchange Carrier.

## 8. REMOTE ACCESS FACILITY

- 8.1 CLEC must access OSS interfaces via a CLEC Remote Access Facility. For the SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE region, the LRAF located in Dallas, TX will be used. The PRAF in Fairfield, CA handles the SBC-2STATE region. The ARAF, located in Chicago, IL, serves SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and the SRAF in New Haven, CT, handles the SBC CONNECTICUT region. Each of these four xRAFs will provide CLECs dedicated access to the uniform application to application and Graphical User Interfaces. Connection to these remote access facilities will be established via a "port" either through dial-up or direct connection as described in Section 8.2. CLEC may utilize a port to access SBC-13STATE OSS interfaces to perform the supported functions in any SBC-13STATE where CLEC has executed an Appendix OSS. OSS applications that are accessible through the Internet will also go through a secured Remote Access Facility.
- 8.2 For SBC-13STATE, CLEC may use three types of access: Switched, Private Line, and Frame Relay. For Private Line and Frame Relay "Direct Connections," CLEC shall provide its own router, circuit, and two Channel Service Units/Data Service Units (CSU/DSU). The demarcation point shall be the router interface at the LRAF, PRAF, ARAF, or SRAF. Switched Access "Dial-up Connections" require CLEC to provide its own modems and connection to the SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE LRAF, SBC CALIFORNIA PRAF, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE ARAF, and SBC CONNECTICUT SRAF. CLEC shall pay the cost of the call if Switched Access is used. Connections via the Public Internet require CLEC to connect to an ISP of their choice and use one of the HTTPS URLs associated with access to SBC-13STATE OSS via the public internet.
- 8.3 For SBC-13STATE, CLEC shall use TCP/IP to access SBC-13STATE OSS via the LRAF, ARAF, SRAF, and the PRAF. In addition, each CLEC shall have one valid Internet Protocol (IP) network address per region. CLEC shall maintain a user-id / password unique to each individual for accessing a SBC-13STATE OSS on CLEC's behalf. CLEC shall provide estimates regarding its volume of transactions, number of concurrent users, desired number of private line or dial-up (switched) connections, and length of a typical session.
- 8.4 For SBC-13STATE, CLEC shall attend and participate in implementation meetings to discuss CLEC LRAF/PRAF/ARAF/SRAF access plans in detail and schedule testing of such connections.

## 9. DATA CONNECTION SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

- 9.1 CLEC agrees that interconnection of CLEC data facilities with SBC-13STATE data facilities for access to OSS will be in compliance with SBC-13STATE's "Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) Operations Support System Interconnection Procedures" document current at the time of initial connection to a RAF. The following additional terms in this Section 9 govern direct and dial up connections between CLEC and the PRAF, LRAF, ARAF and SRAF for access to OSS Interfaces.

## 9.2 Joint Security Requirements

- 9.2.1 Both Parties will maintain accurate and auditable records that monitor user authentication and machine integrity and confidentiality (e.g., password assignment and aging, chronological logs configured, system accounting data, etc.).
- 9.2.2 Both Parties shall maintain accurate and complete records detailing the individual data connections and systems to which they have granted the other Party access or interface privileges. These records will include, but are not limited to, user ID assignment, user request records, system configuration, time limits of user access or system interfaces. These records should be kept until the termination of this Agreement or the termination of the requested access by the identified individual. Either Party may initiate a compliance review of the connection records to verify that only the agreed to connections are in place and that the connection records are accurate.
- 9.2.3 CLEC shall immediately notify the ISCC when a employee userid is no longer valid (e.g. employee termination or movement to another department).
- 9.2.4 Both Parties shall use an industry standard virus detection software program at all times. The Parties shall immediately advise each other by telephone upon actual knowledge that a virus or other malicious code has been transmitted to the other Party.
- 9.2.5 All physical access to equipment and services required to transmit data will be in secured locations. Verification of authorization will be required for access to all such secured locations. A secured location is where walls and doors are constructed and arranged to serve as barriers and to provide uniform protection for all equipment used in the data connections which are made as a result of the user's access to either the CLEC or SBC-13STATE network. At a minimum, this shall include: access doors equipped with card reader control or an equivalent authentication procedure and/or device, and egress doors which generate a real-time alarm when opened and which are equipped with tamper resistant and panic hardware as required to meet building and safety standards.
- 9.2.6 Both Parties shall maintain accurate and complete records on the card access system or lock and key administration to the rooms housing the equipment utilized to make the connection(s) to the other Party's network. These records will include management of card or key issue, activation or distribution and deactivation.

## 9.3 Additional Responsibilities of Both Parties

- 9.3.1 **Modem/DSU Maintenance And Use Policy:** To the extent the access provided hereunder involves the support and maintenance of CLEC equipment on SBC-13STATE's premises, such maintenance will be provided under the terms of the Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) Operations Support System Interconnection Procedures document cited above.
- 9.3.2 **Monitoring:** Each Party will monitor its own network relating to any user's access to the Party's networks, processing systems, and applications. This information may be collected, retained, and analyzed to identify potential security risks without notice. This information may include, but is not limited to, trace files, statistics, network addresses, and the actual data or screens accessed or transferred.
- 9.3.3 Each Party shall notify the other Party's security organization immediately upon initial discovery of actual or suspected unauthorized access to, misuse of, or other "at risk" conditions regarding the identified data facilities or information. Each Party shall provide a specified point of contact. If either Party suspects unauthorized or inappropriate access, the Parties shall work together to isolate and resolve the problem.
- 9.3.4 In the event that one Party identifies inconsistencies or lapses in the other Party's adherence to the security provisions described herein, or a discrepancy is found, documented, and delivered to the non-complying Party, a corrective action plan to address the identified vulnerabilities must be provided by the non-complying Party within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the identified inconsistency. The corrective action plan must identify what will be done, the Party

accountable/responsible, and the proposed compliance date. The non-complying Party must provide periodic status reports (minimally monthly) to the other Party's security organization on the implementation of the corrective action plan in order to track the work to completion.

9.3.5 In the event there are technological constraints or situations where either Party's corporate security requirements cannot be met, the Parties will institute mutually agreed upon alternative security controls and safeguards to mitigate risks.

9.3.6 All network-related problems will be managed to resolution by the respective organizations, CLEC or SBC-13STATE, as appropriate to the ownership of a failed component. As necessary, CLEC and SBC-13STATE will work together to resolve problems where the responsibility of either Party is not easily identified.

9.4 Information Security Policies And Guidelines For Access To Computers, Networks and Information By Non-Employee Personnel

9.4.1 Information security policies and guidelines are designed to protect the integrity, confidentiality and availability of computer, networks and information resources. Section 9.5 - 9.11 summarizes the general policies and principles for individuals who are not employees of the Party that provides the computer, network or information, but have authorized access to that Party's systems, networks or information. Questions should be referred to CLEC or SBC-13STATE, respectively, as the providers of the computer, network or information in question.

9.4.2 It is each Party's responsibility to notify its employees, contractors and vendors who will have access to the other Party's network, on the proper security responsibilities identified within this Attachment. Adherence to these policies is a requirement for continued access to the other Party's systems, networks or information. Exceptions to the policies must be requested in writing and approved by the other Party's information security organization.

9.5 General Policies

9.5.1 Each Party's resources are for approved business purposes only.

9.5.2 Each Party may exercise at any time its right to inspect, record, and/or remove all information contained in its systems, and take appropriate action should unauthorized or improper usage be discovered.

9.5.3 Individuals will only be given access to resources that they are authorized to receive and which they need to perform their job duties. Users must not attempt to access resources for which they are not authorized.

9.5.4 Authorized users must not develop, copy or use any program or code which circumvents or bypasses system security or privilege mechanism or distorts accountability or audit mechanisms.

9.5.5 Actual or suspected unauthorized access events must be reported immediately to each Party's security organization or to an alternate contact identified by that Party. Each Party shall provide its respective security contact information to the other.

9.6 User Identification

9.6.1 Access to each Party's corporate resources will be based on identifying and authenticating individual users in order to maintain clear and personal accountability for each user's actions.

9.6.2 User identification shall be accomplished by the assignment of a unique, permanent user id, and each user id shall have an associated identification number for security purposes.

9.6.3 User ids will be revalidated on a monthly basis.

9.7 User Authentication

9.7.1 Users will usually be authenticated by use of a password. Strong authentication methods (e.g. one-time passwords, digital signatures, etc.) may be required in the future.

- 9.7.2 Passwords must not be stored in script files.
- 9.7.3 Passwords must be entered by the user.
- 9.7.4 Passwords must be at least 6-8 characters in length, not blank or a repeat of the user id; contain at least one letter, and at least one number or special character must be in a position other than the first or last one. This format will ensure that the password is hard to guess. Most systems are capable of being configured to automatically enforce these requirements. Where a system does not mechanically require this format, the users must manually follow the format.
- 9.7.5 Systems will require users to change their passwords regularly (usually every 31 days).
- 9.7.6 Systems are to be configured to prevent users from reusing the same password for 6 changes/months.
- 9.7.7 Personal passwords must not be shared. A user who has shared his password is responsible for any use made of the password.
- 9.8 Access and Session Control
  - 9.8.1 Destination restrictions will be enforced at remote access facilities used for access to OSS Interfaces. These connections must be approved by each Party's corporate security organization.
  - 9.8.2 Terminals or other input devices must not be left unattended while they may be used for system access. Upon completion of each work session, terminals or workstations must be properly logged off.
- 9.9 User Authorization
  - 9.9.1 On the destination system, users are granted access to specific resources (e.g. databases, files, transactions, etc.). These permissions will usually be defined for an individual user (or user group) when a user id is approved for access to the system.
- 9.10 Software and Data Integrity
  - 9.10.1 Each Party shall use a comparable degree of care to protect the other Party's software and data from unauthorized access, additions, changes and deletions as it uses to protect its own similar software and data. This may be accomplished by physical security at the work location and by access control software on the workstation.
  - 9.10.2 Untrusted software or data shall be scanned for viruses before use on a Party's corporate facilities that can be accessed through the direct connection or dial up access to OSS interfaces.
  - 9.10.3 Unauthorized use of copyrighted software is prohibited on each Party's corporate systems that can be access through the direct connection or dial up access to OSS Interfaces.
  - 9.10.4 Proprietary software or information (whether electronic or paper) of a Party shall not be given by the other Party to unauthorized individuals. When it is no longer needed, each Party's proprietary software or information shall be returned by the other Party or disposed of securely. Paper copies shall be shredded. Electronic copies shall be overwritten or degaussed.
- 9.11 Monitoring and Audit
  - 9.11.1 To deter unauthorized access events, a warning or no trespassing message will be displayed at the point of initial entry (i.e., network entry or applications with direct entry points). Each Party should have several approved versions of this message. Users should expect to see a warning message similar to this one:  
  
*"This is a (SBC-13STATE or CLEC) system restricted to Company official business and subject to being monitored at any time. Anyone using this system expressly consents to such monitoring and to any evidence of unauthorized access, use, or modification being used for criminal prosecution."*
  - 9.11.2 After successful authentication, each session will display the last logon date/time and the number of unsuccessful logon attempts. The user is responsible for reporting discrepancies.

# **10. OPERATIONAL READINESS TEST (ORT) FOR ORDERING/PROVISIONING AND REPAIR/ MAINTENANCE INTERFACES**

- 10.1 Prior to live access to interface functionality, the Parties must conduct Operational Readiness Testing (ORT), which will allow for the testing of the systems, interfaces, and processes for the OSS functions. ORT will be completed in conformance with agreed upon processes and implementation dates.

# **11. OSS TRAINING COURSES**

- 11.1 Prior to live system usage, CLEC must complete user education classes for SBC-13STATE-provided interfaces that affect the SBC-13STATE network. Course descriptions for all available classes by region are posted on the CLEC website in the Customer Education section. CLEC Training schedules by region are also available on the CLEC website and are subject to change, with class lengths varying. Classes are train-the-trainer format to enable CLEC to devise its own course work for its own employees. Charges as specified below will apply for each class:

Training Rates	5 day class	4.5 day class	4 day class	3.5 day class	3 day class	2.5 day class	2 day class	1.5 day class	1 day class	1/2 day class
1 to 5 students	\$4,050	\$3,650	\$3,240	\$2,835	\$2,430	\$2,025	\$1,620	\$1,215	\$810	\$405
6 students	\$4,860	\$4,380	\$3,890	\$3,402	\$2,915	\$2,430	\$1,945	\$1,455	\$970	\$490
7 students	\$5,670	\$5,100	\$4,535	\$3,969	\$3,400	\$2,835	\$2,270	\$1,705	\$1,135	\$570
8 students	\$6,480	\$5,830	\$5,185	\$4,536	\$3,890	\$3,240	\$2,590	\$1,950	\$1,300	\$650
9 students	\$7,290	\$6,570	\$5,830	\$5,103	\$4,375	\$3,645	\$2,915	\$2,190	\$1,460	\$730
10 students	\$8,100	\$7,300	\$6,480	\$5,670	\$4,860	\$4,050	\$3,240	\$2,430	\$1,620	\$810
11 students	\$8,910	\$8,030	\$7,130	\$6,237	\$5,345	\$4,455	\$3,565	\$2,670	\$1,780	\$890
12 students	\$9,720	\$8,760	\$7,780	\$6,804	\$5,830	\$4,860	\$3,890	\$2,920	\$1,945	\$970

- 11.2 A separate agreement will be required as a commitment to pay for a specific number of CLEC students in each class. CLEC agrees that charges will be billed by SBC-13STATE and CLEC payment is due thirty (30) days following the bill date. CLEC agrees that personnel from other competitive Local Service Providers may be scheduled into any class to fill any seats for which the CLEC has not contracted. Class availability is first-come, first served with priority given to CLECs who have not yet attended the specific class.
- 11.3 Class dates will be based upon SBC-13STATE availability and will be coordinated among CLEC, the CLEC's SBC-13STATE Account Manager, and SBC-13STATE Industry Markets CLEC Training Product Management.
- 11.4 CLEC agrees to pay the cancellation fee of the full price noted in the separate agreement if CLEC cancels scheduled classes less than two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled start date. CLEC agrees to provide to SBC-13STATE completed registration forms for each student no later than one week prior to the scheduled training class.
- 11.5 CLEC agrees that CLEC personnel attending classes are to utilize only training databases and training presented to them in class. Attempts to access any other SBC-13STATE system are strictly prohibited.
- 11.6 CLEC further agrees that training material, manuals and instructor guides can be duplicated only for internal use for the purpose of training employees to utilize the capabilities of SBC-13STATE's OSS in accordance with this Appendix and shall be deemed "Proprietary Information" and subject to the terms, conditions and limitations of Section 20 of the General Terms and Conditions.

**12. OSS CHARGES FOR SYSTEM ACCESS AND CONNECTIVITY**

- 12.1 To the extent SBC-13STATE seeks to recover costs associated with OSS System Access and Connectivity, SBC-13STATE shall not be foreclosed from seeking recovery of such costs via negotiation, arbitration, or generic proceeding during the term of this agreement.

**13. MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES**

- 13.1 For SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE region only, CLEC requesting the Bill Plus™, as described in 7.2.2, agrees to pay applicable tariffed rate, less Resale discount.
- 13.2 For SBC-7STATE, CLEC requesting the billing function for the Daily Usage Extract which contains the usage billable records, as described in 7.2.7 and 7.3.3, agrees to pay established rates pursuant to Appendix Pricing.
- 13.3 For SBC-13STATE, should CLEC request custom development of an exclusive interface to support OSS functions, such development will be considered by SBC-13STATE on an Individual Case Basis (ICB) and priced as such.
- 13.4 SBC CONNECTICUT will charge for the Billing Detail File, Daily Usage Extract, and Loss Notification File at rates filed and approved by DPUC.

**14. SERVICE BUREAU PROVIDER ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHARED ACCESS TO OSS**

- 14.1 SBC-13STATE shall allow CLEC to access its OSS via a Service Bureau Provider under the following terms and conditions:
- 14.2 Notwithstanding any language in this Agreement regarding access to OSS to the contrary, CLEC shall be permitted to access SBC-13STATE OSS via a Service Bureau Provider as follows:
- 14.2.1 CLEC shall be permitted to access SBC-13STATE application-to-application OSS interfaces, via a Service Bureau Provider where CLEC has entered into an agency relationship with such Service Bureau Provider, and the Service Bureau Provider has executed an Agreement with SBC-13STATE to Allow Service Bureau Provider to establish access to and use of SBC-13STATE's OSS.
- 14.2.2 CLEC's use of a Service Bureau Provider shall not relieve CLEC of the obligation to abide by all terms and conditions of this Agreement. CLEC must ensure that its agent properly performs all OSS obligations of CLEC under this Agreement, which CLEC delegates to Service Bureau Provider.
- 14.2.3 It shall be the obligation of CLEC to provide notice in accordance with the notice provisions of the Terms and Conditions of this Agreement whenever it established an agency relationship with a Service Bureau Provider or terminates such a relationship. SBC-13STATE shall have a reasonable transition time to establish a connection to a Service Bureau Provider once CLEC provides notice. Additionally, SBC-13STATE shall have a reasonable transition period to terminate any such connection after notice from CLEC that it has terminated its agency relationship with a Service Bureau Provider.
- 14.3 Notwithstanding any language in this Agreement regarding Performance Measures to the contrary, SBC-13STATE shall not be obligated to pay liquidated damages or assessments for noncompliance with a performance measurement to the extent that such noncompliance was the result of actions or events beyond SBC-13STATE's control associated with third-party systems or equipment including systems, equipment and services provided by a Service Bureau Provider (acting as CLEC's agent for connection to SBC-13STATE's OSS) which could not be avoided by SBC-13STATE through the exercise of reasonable diligence or delays or other problems resulting from actions of a Service Bureau Provider, including Service Bureau provided processes, services, systems or connectivity.

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## APPENDIX OS (OPERATOR SERVICES)

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions for Operator Services (OS) for switched-based CLEC's or CLEC's leasing unbundled switched ports as provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin.
- 1.3 SBC-2STATE - As used herein, SBC-2STATE means SBC CALIFORNIA and SBC NEVADA, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in California and Nevada.
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## **2. SERVICES**

- 2.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-13STATE will provide the following OS:

- 2.1.1 Fully Automated Call Processing

- 2.1.1.1 Allows the caller to complete a call utilizing equipment without the assistance of an SBC-13STATE operator, hereafter called "Operator."

- 2.1.1.2 SBC-10STATE and SBC CALIFORNIA/SBC CONNECTICUT - This allows the caller the option of completing calls through an Automated Alternate Billing System (AABS). Automated functions can only be activated from a touch-tone telephone. Use of a rotary telephone or failure or slow response by the caller to the audio prompts will bridge the caller to an Operator for assistance.

- 2.1.1.3 SBC NEVADA - This allows the caller the option of billing calling card calls through a Mechanized Calling Card Service (MCCS). Automated functions can only be activated from a touch-tone telephone.

- 2.1.2 Operator-Assisted Call Processing

- 2.1.2.1 Allows the caller to complete a call by receiving assistance from an Operator.

### **3. DEFINITIONS**

3.1 Fully Automated Call Processing - Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-13STATE can support the following fully automated call types as outlined below:

3.1.1 Fully Automated Calling Card Service.

3.1.1.1 SBC-13STATE - This service is provided when the caller dials zero ("0"), plus the desired telephone number and the calling card number to which the call is to be charged. The call is completed without the assistance of an Operator. An authorized calling card for the purpose of this Appendix, is one for which SBC-13STATE can perform billing validation.

3.1.2 Fully Automated Collect and Bill to Third Number Services.

3.1.2.1 SBC-12STATE - The caller dials zero (0) plus the telephone number desired, and selects the Collect or Bill To Third Number billing option as instructed by the automated equipment. The call is completed without the assistance of an Operator.

3.2 Operator-Assisted Call Processing - Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-13STATE will support the following Operator-assisted call types for CLEC:

3.2.1 Semi-Automated Calling Card Service. A service provided when the caller dials zero (0) plus the telephone number desired and the calling card number to which the call is to be charged. The call is completed with the assistance of an Operator. An authorized calling card for the purpose of this Appendix, is one for which SBC-13STATE can perform billing validation.

3.2.2 Semi-Automated Collect and Bill to Third Number Services. SBC-12STATE - The caller dials zero (0) plus the telephone number desired, and selects the Collect or Bill To Third Number billing option as instructed by the automated equipment. The call is completed with the assistance of an Operator.

3.2.3 Semi-Automated Person-To-Person Service. A service in which the caller dials zero (0) plus the telephone number desired and asks the Operator for assistance in reaching a particular person, or a particular PBX station, department or office to be reached through a PBX attendant. This service applies even if the caller agrees, after the connection is established, to speak to any party other than the party previously specified.

3.2.4 Operator Handled Services. Services provided when the caller dials zero (0) for Operator assistance in placing a sent paid, calling card, collect, third number or person to person call.

3.2.5 Busy Line Verification (BLV)/Line Status Verification. A service in which the Operator, upon request, will check the requested line for conversation in progress and advise the caller.

3.2.6 Busy Line Verification Interrupt (BLVI). A service in which the caller asks the Operator to interrupt a conversation in progress, to determine if one of the parties is willing to speak to the caller requesting the interrupt. Busy Line Interrupt service applies even if no conversation is in progress at the time of the interrupt attempt, or when the parties interrupted refuse to terminate the conversation in progress.

3.2.7 Operator Transfer Service. A service in which the local caller requires Operator Assistance for completion of a call terminating outside the originating LATA.

### **4. CALL BRANDING**

4.1 The procedure of identifying a provider's name audibly and distinctly to the End User at the beginning of each OS call.

4.1.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-13STATE will brand OS in CLEC's name based upon the criteria outlined below:

4.1.1.1 Where SBC-13STATE provides CLEC Operator Services (OS) and DA services via the same trunk, both the OS and DA calls will be branded with the same brand. Where SBC-13STATE is only providing OS on behalf of the CLEC, the calls will be branded.

4.1.1.2 CLEC name used in branding calls may be subject to Commission regulations and should match the name in which CLEC is doing business.

4.1.1.3 SBC-13STATE - CLEC will provide written specifications of its company name to be used by SBC-13STATE to create the CLEC's specific branding announcement for its OS calls in accordance with the process outlined in the Operator Services OS/DA Questionnaire (OSQ).

4.1.1.4 A CLEC purchasing SBC-13STATE unbundled local switching is responsible for maintaining CLEC's End User customer records in SBC-13STATE Line Information Database (LIDB) as described in Appendix LIDB-AS. CLEC's failure to properly administer customer records in LIDB may result in branding errors.

4.1.1.5 Branding Load Charges

4.1.1.5.1 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - An initial non-recurring charge applies per state, per brand, per Operator assistance switch, for the establishment of CLEC specific branding. An additional non-recurring charge applies per state, per brand, per Operator assistance switch for each subsequent change to the branding announcement. In addition, a per call charge applies for every OS call handled by SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE on behalf of CLEC when such services are provided in conjunction with the purchase of SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE unbundled local switching.

4.1.1.5.2 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - An initial non-recurring charge applies per brand, per Operator Assistance Switch, per trunk group for the establishment of CLEC specific branding. In addition, a per call charge applies for every OS call handled by SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE on behalf of CLEC when such services are provided in conjunction with the purchase of SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE unbundled local switching. An additional non-recurring charge applies per brand, per Operator assistance switch, per trunk group for each subsequent change to the branding announcement.

4.1.1.5.3 SBC-2STATE - An initial non-recurring charge applies per state, per brand, per Operator assistance switch, for the establishment of CLEC specific branding. An additional non-recurring charge applies per state, per brand, per Operator assistance switch for each subsequent change to the branding announcement.

4.1.1.5.4 SBC CONNECTICUT - An initial non-recurring charge applies per brand, per load, per Operator assistance switch for the establishment of CLEC specific branding. An additional non-recurring charge applies per brand, per load, per Operator assistance switch for each subsequent change to the branding announcement.

**5. OPERATOR SERVICES (OS) REFERENCE/RATER INFORMATION**

5.1 An SBC database referenced by an SBC Operator for CLEC OS specific Reference/Rater information based upon the criteria.

5.1.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-12STATE will provide CLEC OS Rate/Reference Information based upon the criteria outlined below.

5.1.1.1 CLEC will furnish OS Reference and Rater information in accordance with the process outlined in the Operator Services Questionnaire (OSQ).

5.1.1.2 CLEC will inform SBC-12STATE, via the Operator Services Questionnaire (OSQ) of any changes to be made to Reference/Rater information.

5.1.1.3 An initial non-recurring charge will apply per state, per Operator assistance switch for loading of CLEC's OS Reference/Rater information. An additional non-recurring charge will

apply per state, per Operator assistance switch for each subsequent change to either the CLEC's OS Reference or Rater information.

5.1.2 When an SBC-12STATE Operator receives a rate request from a CLEC End User, SBC-12STATE will quote the applicable OS rates as provided by CLEC or as otherwise defined below.

5.1.2.1 SBC CONNECTICUT - until technically feasible and/or available, when a SBC CONNECTICUT Operator receives a rate request from a CLEC end user, SBC CONNECTICUT will quote the surcharge rate only.

## **6. INTRALATA MESSAGE RATING**

6.1 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - Upon request, CLEC may opt to purchase intraLATA Message Rating Service. This service provides the message rating function on all SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE Operator assisted intraLATA calls. With this service, SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will compute the applicable charges for each message based on CLEC's schedule of rates provided to SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE.

## **7. HANDLING OF EMERGENCY CALLS TO OPERATOR**

7.1 To the extent CLEC's NXX encompasses multiple emergency agencies, SBC-13STATE agrees to ask the caller for the name of his/her community and to transfer the caller to the appropriate emergency agency for the caller's area. CLEC must provide SBC-13STATE with the correct information to enable the transfer as required by the OSQ. CLEC will also provide default emergency agency numbers to use when the customer is unable to provide the name of his/her community. When the assistance of another Carrier's operator is required, SBC-13STATE will attempt to reach the appropriate operator if the network facilities for inward assistance exist. CLEC agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless SBC-13STATE from any and all actions, claims, costs, damages, lawsuits, liabilities, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, arising from any misdirected calls.

## **8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

- 8.1 CLEC agrees that due to quality of service and work force scheduling, SBC-13STATE will be the sole provider of OS for CLEC's local serving area(s) for a minimum of a one (1) year period.
- 8.2 CLEC will be responsible for providing the equipment and facilities necessary for signaling and routing calls with Automatic Number Identification (ANI) to each SBC-13STATE Operator assistance switch. Should CLEC seek to obtain interexchange OS from SBC-13STATE, CLEC is responsible for ordering the necessary facilities under the appropriate Interstate or intrastate Access Service Tariffs. Nothing in this Agreement in any way changes the manner in which an Interexchange Carrier obtains access service for the purpose of originating or terminating Interexchange traffic.
- 8.3 Facilities necessary for the provision of OS shall be provided by the Parties hereto, using standard trunk traffic engineering procedures to insure that the objective grade of service is met. Each party shall bear the costs for its own facilities and equipment.
- 8.4 CLEC will furnish to SBC-13STATE a completed OSQ, thirty (30) calendar days in advance of the date when the OS are to be undertaken.
- 8.5 CLEC will provide SBC-13STATE updates to the OSQ fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the date when changes are to become effective.
- 8.6 CLEC understands and acknowledges that before live traffic can be passed, CLEC is responsible for obtaining and providing to SBC-13STATE, default emergency agency numbers.

**9. METHODS AND PRACTICES**

- 9.1 SBC-13STATE will provide OS to CLEC's End Users in accordance with SBC-13STATE OS methods and practices that are in effect at the time the OS call is made, unless otherwise agreed in writing by both Parties.

**10. PRICING**

- 10.1 The prices at which SBC-13STATE agrees to provide CLEC with OS are contained in the applicable Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable Commission ordered tariff where stated.
- 10.2 Beyond the specified term of this Appendix, SBC-13STATE may change the prices for the provision of OS upon one hundred-twenty (120) calendar days' notice to CLEC.

**11. MONTHLY BILLING**

- 11.1 For information regarding billing, non-payment, disconnection, and dispute resolution, see the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.
- 11.2 SBC-13STATE will accumulate and provide CLEC such data as necessary for CLEC to bill its End Users.

**12. LIABILITY**

- 12.1 The provisions set forth in the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement, including but not limited to those relating to limitation of liability and indemnification, shall govern performance under this Appendix.
- 12.2 CLEC also agrees to release, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless SBC-13STATE from any claim, demand or suit that asserts any infringement or invasion of privacy or confidentiality of any person or persons caused or claimed to be caused, directly, or indirectly, by SBC-13STATE employees and equipment associated with provision of the OS Services, including but is not limited to suits arising from disclosure of the telephone number, address, or name associated with the telephone called or the telephone used to call Operator Services.

**13. TERMS OF APPENDIX**

- 13.1 Appendix will continue in force for the length of the Interconnection Agreement, but no less than twelve (12) months. At the expiration of the term of the Interconnection Agreement to which this Appendix is attached or twelve (12) months, whichever occurs later, either Party may terminate this agreement upon one hundred-twenty (120) calendar days written notice to the other Party.
- 13.2 If CLEC terminates this Appendix prior to the expiration of the term of this Appendix, CLEC shall pay SBC-13STATE, within thirty (30) days of the issuance of any bills by SBC-13STATE, all amounts due for actual services provided under this Appendix, plus estimated monthly charges for the unexpired portion of the term. Estimated charges will be based on an average of the actual monthly service provided by SBC-13STATE pursuant to this Appendix prior to its termination.

## **APPENDIX INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION**

**(AFTER FCC ORDER NO. 01-131, AGREEING TO  
EXCHANGE ALL ISP-BOUND and SECTION  
251(b)(5) TRAFFIC AT THE FCC RATES IN  
CERTAIN STATES, WHERE APPLICABLE)**

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## APPENDIX INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION

### 1. SCOPE OF APPENDIX

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions for Intercarrier Compensation of intercarrier telecommunications traffic between the applicable SBC Communications Inc (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier and CLEC, but only to the extent they are interconnected and exchanging calls pursuant to a fully executed, underlying Interconnection Agreement approved by the applicable state or federal regulatory agency for telecommunications traffic in the applicable state(s).
- 1.2 The provisions of this Appendix apply to telecommunications traffic originated over the originating carrier's facilities or over wholesale local switching purchased by CLEC from SBC 13-STATE on a wholesale basis.
- 1.3 The provisions of this Appendix do not apply to traffic originated over services provided under local Resale service. SBC-13STATE will compensate the terminating carrier in accordance with this Appendix for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic (also known as "Optional Calling Area Traffic") and IntraLATA Toll Traffic that originates from an end user that is served by a carrier providing telecommunications services utilizing SBC-13STATE's Resale Service.
- 1.4 Any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Appendix and other provisions of the underlying Interconnection Agreement shall be governed by the provisions of this Appendix.

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### 3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 3.1 <sup>2</sup>For all traffic originated on a Party's network<sub>s</sub> including, without limitation, Switched Access Traffic, such Party shall provide CPN as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 64.1600(c) ("CPN") in accordance with Section 3.3 below. Each Party to this Agreement will be responsible for passing on any CPN it receives from a third party for traffic delivered to the other Party. In addition, each Party agrees that it shall not strip, alter, modify, add, delete, change, or incorrectly assign any CPN. If either party identifies improper, incorrect, or fraudulent use of local exchange services (including, but not limited to PRI, ISDN and/or Smart Trunks), or identifies stripped, altered, modified, added, deleted, changed, and/or incorrectly assigned CPN, the Parties agree to cooperate with one another to investigate and take corrective action.
- 3.2 If one Party is passing CPN but the other Party is not properly receiving information, the Parties will work cooperatively to correct the problem.
- 3.3 For traffic which is delivered by one Party to be terminated on the other Party's network in SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT, if the percentage of such calls passed with CPN is greater than ninety percent (90%), all calls delivered by one Party to the other for termination without CPN will be billed as either Section 251(b)(5) Traffic or IntraLATA Toll Traffic in direct proportion to the total MOUs of calls delivered by one Party to the other with CPN. If the percentage of calls passed with CPN is less than 90%, all calls delivered by one Party to the other without CPN will be billed at Intrastate Switched Access rates.
- 3.4 For those usage based charges where actual charge information is not determinable by SBC-2STATE because the jurisdiction (i.e., intrastate vs. local) or origin of the traffic is unidentifiable, the Parties will jointly develop a Percent Local Usage (PLU) factor in order to determine the appropriate charges to be billed to the terminating party in accordance with Section 14.2 below.
- 3.5 <sup>3</sup>CLEC has the sole obligation to enter into intercarrier compensation arrangements with third party telecommunications carriers regarding CLEC's traffic and such other carriers' traffic, including without limitation any where CLEC originates traffic to or terminates traffic from an end user being served by a third party telecommunications carrier who has purchased wholesale local switching from SBC-13STATE on a wholesale basis to such telecommunications carrier, and by which such telecommunications carrier uses it to offer to end users wireline local telephone exchange service. In no event will SBC-13STATE have any liability to CLEC or any third party if CLEC fails to enter into such compensation arrangement. SBC shall provide call detail records to Sprint when, where and in a manner that is currently available in the event that traffic is exchanged with a third party carrier with whom CLEC does not have a traffic compensation agreement, CLEC will indemnify, defend and hold harmless SBC-13STATE against any and all losses including without limitation, charges levied by such third party carrier. The third party carrier and CLEC will bill their respective charges directly to each other. SBC-13STATE will not be required to function as a billing intermediary, e.g., clearinghouse. SBC-13STATE may provide information regarding such traffic to other telecommunications carriers or entities as appropriate to resolve traffic compensation issues.
- 3.6 The Parties agree that, notwithstanding the classification of traffic under this Appendix, either Party is free to define its own "local" calling area(s) for purposes of its provision of telecommunications services to its end users.
- 3.7 <sup>4</sup>For Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic, and IntraLATA Toll Traffic, the Party whose End User originates such traffic shall compensate the Party who terminates such traffic to its End User for the transport and termination of such traffic at the applicable rate(s) provided in this Appendix and Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable switched access tariffs. In SBC CONNECTICUT, when CLEC purchases wholesale local switching from SBC CONNECTICUT on a wholesale basis to provide service to its end users, all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic, and IntraLATA Toll

<sup>2</sup> Settlement IC 1(b)

<sup>3</sup> Settlement IC 4

<sup>4</sup> Settlement IC 1(c) and 1(d)

Traffic originated by CLEC's end users are not subject to intercarrier compensation as addressed in Section 5 below.

- 3.8 To the extent that the Parties are not currently exchanging traffic in a given LATA or Local Calling Area, the Parties' obligation to pay intercarrier compensation to each other shall commence on the date the Parties agree that the interconnection is complete (i.e., each Party has established its originating trunks as well as all ancillary traffic trunking such as Operator Services, 911 or Mass Calling trunks) and is capable of fully supporting originating terminating end user customers' traffic. In addition, the Parties agree that test traffic is not subject to compensation pursuant to this Appendix Intercarrier Compensation.

**4. LONG TERM BILL AND KEEP ARRANGEMENTS FOR TERMINATION OF IN-BALANCE SECTION 251(B)(5) TRAFFIC AND ISP-BOUND TRAFFIC**

- 4.1 Wireline Section 251(b)(5) Traffic shall mean telecommunications traffic, in which the originating End User of one Party and the terminating End User of the other Party are:

- a. both physically located in the same ILEC Local Exchange Area as defined by the ILEC Local (or "General") Exchange Tariff on file with the applicable state commission or regulatory agency; or
- b. both physically located within neighboring ILEC Local Exchange Areas that are within the same common mandatory local calling area. This includes but is not limited to, mandatory Extended Area Service (EAS), mandatory Extended Local Calling Service (ELCS), or other types of mandatory expanded local calling scopes.

- 4.2 In accordance with the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order, In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Compensation Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98, 99-68 (rel. April, 27, 2001) ("FCC ISP Compensation Order"), "ISP-Bound Traffic" shall mean telecommunications traffic exchanged between CLEC and SBC-13STATE in which the originating End User of one Party and the ISP served by the other Party are:

- a. both physically located in the same ILEC Local Exchange Area as defined by the ILEC's Local (or "General") Exchange Tariff on file with the applicable state commission or regulatory agency; or
- b. both physically located within neighboring ILEC Local Exchange Areas that are within the same common mandatory local calling area. This includes, but it is not limited to, mandatory Extended Area Service (EAS), mandatory Extended Local Calling Service (ELCS) or other types of mandatory expanded local calling scopes.

In states in which SBC-13STATE has offered to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound traffic pursuant to the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan set forth in the FCC ISP Compensation Order, traffic is presumed to be ISP-Bound Traffic in accordance with the rebuttable presumption set forth in Section 5.7 of this Appendix.

- 4.3 Long-Term Local Bill and Keep Arrangements for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic

Sprint has elected long-term local Bill and Keep as the reciprocal compensation arrangement for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic originated and terminated between SBC-13STATE and Sprint in SBC-13STATE so long as qualifying traffic between the parties remains in balance in accordance with this Section 4.3. Long-term local Bill and Keep applies only to Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic as defined in Sections 4.1 and 4.2 of this Attachment and does not include, IntraLATA Toll Traffic, Meet Point Billing Traffic, FX Traffic, FGA Traffic, MCA Traffic or Optional EAS Traffic.

- 4.3.1 The Parties agree that Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties will be subject to Bill and Keep as the method of intercarrier compensation provided that Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties is "In-Balance." In-balance shall mean that Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties will be within +/-5% of equilibrium (50%).

- 4.3.2 The calculation for determining whether traffic is in balance will be based on the difference between the total Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic originated by each Party's end users terminated to the other Party's End Users, divided by the sum of both Parties' end users' terminated Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, and ISP-Bound Traffic multiplied by 100.
- 4.3.3 The Parties agree that where Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic is determined to be out-of-balance by more than 5% per month for three (3) consecutive months, Section shall immediately apply rates specified in Section 5.3.1 to all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic.
- 4.3.4 Once the rates found in Section 5.3.1 apply to CLEC's Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic, it will apply for the remaining term of this Agreement.
- 4.3.5 In the event that either Party disputes whether its Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic is in balance, the Parties agree to work cooperatively to reconcile the inconsistencies in their usage data.
- 4.3.6 Should the Parties be unable to agree on the amount and balance of Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between their End Users, either Party may invoke the dispute resolution procedures under this Agreement. In the event that dispute resolution procedures results in the calculations being delayed, the reciprocal compensation rates will apply retroactively to the date such reciprocal compensation were applicable.
- 4.3.7 Upon reasonable belief that traffic other than Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic is being terminated under this long-term local Bill and Keep arrangement, either Party may request a meeting to confirm the jurisdictional nature of traffic delivered as Bill and Keep. Parties will consult with each other to attempt to resolve issues without the need for an audit. Should no resolution be reached within 60 days, an audit may be requested and will be conducted by an independent auditor under an appropriate non-disclosure agreement. Only one audit may be conducted by each Party within a six-month period.
- 4.3.8 The auditing Party will pay the audit costs unless the audit reveals the delivery of a substantial amount of traffic originating from a party in this Agreement other than Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic for termination to the other party under the long term local Bill and Keep arrangement. In the event the audit reveals a substantial amount of traffic other than Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic, the Party delivering such traffic will bear the cost of the audit and will pay appropriate compensation for such traffic with interest at the commercial paper rate as referenced in 9.1 of the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.
  - 4.3.8.1 The Parties will consult and negotiate in good faith to resolve any issues of accuracy or integrity of data collected, generated, or reported in connection with audits or otherwise.
  - 4.3.8.2 The audit provisions set out in Sections 4.3.7 through 4.3.8 above do not alter or affect audit provisions set out elsewhere in this Agreement.

## **5. COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS FOR TERMINATION OF OUT-OF-BALANCE SECTION 251(B)(5) TRAFFIC AND ISP-BOUND TRAFFIC**

- 5.1 "Out-of-Balance" shall mean that Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties has not met the In-Balance qualifiers as defined in Section 4.3 above and has exceeded the specified thresholds set forth in Sections 4.3.1 and 4.3.2. This Section 5 applies to Out-of-Balance traffic.
- 5.2 SBC-12STATE made an offer (the "Offer") to all telecommunications carriers to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic on and after the designated dates provided below pursuant to the terms and conditions of the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan of the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order, In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic, FCC 01-131, CC Docket

Nos. 96-98, 99-68 (rel. April 27, 2001) ("FCC ISP Compensation Order") which was remanded but not vacated in *WorldCom, Inc. v. FCC*, No. 01-1218 (D.C. Cir. 2002).

SBC-13STATE and CLEC agree to carry out the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan on the date designated by SBC-13STATE in a particular state without waiving, and expressly reserving, all appellate rights to contest FCC, judicial, legislative, or other regulatory rulings regarding ISP-Bound traffic, including but not limited to, appeals of the FCC's ISP Compensation Order. By agreeing to this Appendix, both Parties reserve the right to advocate their respective positions before courts, state or federal commissions, or legislative bodies.

5.2.1 <sup>5</sup>Should there be any change in law, the provisions of the General Terms and Conditions will prevail.

5.3 In SBC-12STATE the rates, terms and conditions for compensation of Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, as defined in Section 4.1 and ISP-Bound Traffic, as defined in Section 4.2 will be compensated at the rate set forth in Section 5.3.1 below in a specific state on the later of (i) the Effective Date of this Agreement and (ii) the effective date of the offer in a particular state if such traffic does not meet the in-balance requirements set forth in Section 4.3 above. The Parties acknowledge that SBC-12STATE has made such offer in its respective states of (i) Indiana, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin effective on and after June 1, 2003, (ii) Arkansas and Michigan effective on and after July 6, 2003, California effective on and after August 1, 2003, and (iv) Illinois effective on and after September 1, 2003; Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Nevada on and after June 1, 2004. Until and unless SBC CONNECTICUT chooses to offer to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic on and after a designated date pursuant to the terms and conditions of the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan, the Parties agree that Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties will be compensated at the rate set forth in Section 5.3.1 below if such traffic does not meet the in-balance requirements set forth in Section 4.3 above.

5.3.1 SBC 13-STATE and Sprint agree to compensate each other for the transport and termination of all Section 251(b)(5) and ISP-Bound Traffic at \$.0005 per minute of use if such traffic does not meet the in-balance requirements set forth in Section 4.3 above. Payment of Intercarrier Compensation on ISP-Bound Traffic and Section 251(b)(5) Traffic will not vary according to whether the traffic is routed through a tandem switch or directly to an end office switch.

5.4 ISP-Bound Traffic Rebuttable Presumption

5.4.1 In accordance with Paragraph 79 of the FCC's ISP Compensation Order, the Parties agree that there is a rebuttable presumption that any of the combined Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties in SBC 12-STATE exceeding a 3:1 terminating to originating ratio is presumed to be ISP-Bound Traffic subject to the compensation terms in this Section 5.4. Either Party has the right to rebut the 3:1 ISP-Bound Traffic presumption by identifying the actual ISP-Bound Traffic by any means mutually agreed by the Parties, or by any method approved by the Commission. If a Party seeking to rebut the presumption takes appropriate action at the Commission pursuant to Section 252 of the Act and the Commission agrees that such Party has rebutted the presumption, the methodology and/or means approved by the Commission for use in determining the ratio shall be utilized by the Parties as of the date of the Commission approval. During the pendency of any such proceedings to rebut the presumption, the Parties will remain obligated to pay the rates set forth in Section 5.3.1 for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic.

5.5 Intercarrier Compensation for Wholesale Local Switching Traffic

5.5.1 Where CLEC purchases any wholesale local switching from SBC-12STATE on a wholesale basis, CLEC will deal directly with third party carriers for purposes of reciprocal compensation for calls originated by or terminated to the end users served by such arrangements. SBC-12STATE is

required to provide CLEC with timely, complete and correct information to enable CLEC to meet the requirements of this section.

- 5.5.2 The following reciprocal compensation terms shall apply to all traffic exchanged between SBC-12STATE and CLECs when CLEC purchases wholesale local switching from SBC-12STATE on a wholesale basis:

5.5.2.1 For intra-switch Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between SBC-12STATE and CLEC, the Parties agree to impose no call termination charges pertaining to reciprocal compensation on each other.

5.5.2.2 For interswitch Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between SBC-12STATE and CLEC where CLEC's end user originates a call that is terminated to a SBC-12STATE end user, CLEC shall pay the rate set forth in Section 5.3.2 for the transport and termination of Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, and ISP-Bound Traffic.

- 5.5.3 <sup>6</sup>In SBC CONNECTICUT, when CLEC purchases wholesale local switching from SBC CONNECTICUT on a wholesale basis, to provide service to its end users, SBC CONNECTICUT will be solely responsible for compensating the terminating third party carrier for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic and IntraLATA Toll Traffic that originates from CLEC's end users. When CLEC purchases wholesale local switching from SBC CONNECTICUT on a wholesale basis, CLEC can not seek intercarrier compensation from SBC CONNECTICUT for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic and IntraLATA Toll Traffic that originates from either an SBC CONNECTICUT end user or a third party carrier's end user.

- 5.6 <sup>7</sup>Unless the parties are operating under a Long Term Bill and Keep arrangement as provided in Section 4 above, each party will invoice the other party on a monthly basis the rates set forth in Section 5.3.2 for the transport and termination of all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties.

## 6. OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS TRAFFIC

- 6.1 Except as set forth in section 5 above, the terms of this appendix are not applicable to (i) interstate or intrastate Exchange Access traffic, (ii) Information Access traffic, or (iii) any other type of traffic found to be exempt from reciprocal compensation by the FCC or the Commission, with the exception of ISP-Bound Traffic which is addressed in this Appendix. All Exchange Access traffic and IntraLATA Toll Traffic shall continue to be governed by the terms and conditions of the applicable federal and state tariffs.

- 6.2 Foreign Exchange (FX) services are retail service offerings purchased by FX customers which allow such FX customers to obtain exchange service from a mandatory local calling area other than the mandatory local calling area where the FX customer is physically located, but within the same LATA as the number that is assigned. FX service enables particular end-user customers to avoid what might otherwise be toll calls between the FX customer's physical location and customers in the foreign exchange. FX Telephone Numbers<sup>8</sup> are those telephone numbers with rating and routing point that are different from those of the geographic area in which the end user is physically located. FX Telephone Numbers that deliver second dial tone and the ability for the calling party to enter access codes and an additional recipient telephone number remain classified as Feature Group A (FGA) calls, and are subject to the originating and terminating carrier's tariffed Switched Exchange Access rates (also known as "Meet Point Billed" compensation), or if jointly provisioned FGA service, subject to the terms and conditions of Appendix FGA. There are two types of FX service:

- 6.2.1 "Dedicated FX Traffic" shall mean those calls routed by means of a physical, dedicated circuit delivering dial tone or otherwise serving an end user's station from a serving Central Office (also known as End Office) located outside of that station's mandatory local calling area. Dedicated FX

<sup>6</sup> Settlement

<sup>7</sup> Settlement IC 3

Service permits the end user physically located in one exchange to be assigned telephone numbers resident in the serving Central (or End) Office in another, "foreign," exchange, thereby creating a local presence in that "foreign" exchange.

6.2.2 "Virtual Foreign Exchange (FX) Traffic" and "FX-type Traffic" shall refer to those calls delivered to telephone numbers that are rated as local to the other telephone numbers in a given mandatory local calling area, but where the recipient end user's station assigned that telephone number is physically located outside of that mandatory local calling area. Virtual FX Service also permits an end user physically located in one exchange to be assigned telephone numbers resident in the serving Central (or End) Office in another, "foreign," exchange, thereby creating a local presence in the "foreign" exchange. Virtual FX Service differs from Dedicated FX Service, however, in that Virtual FX end users continue to draw dial tone or are otherwise served from a Central (or End) Office which may provide service across more than one Commission-prescribed mandatory local calling area, whereas Dedicated FX Service end users draw dial tone or are otherwise served from a Central (or End) Office located outside their mandatory calling area.

6.2.3 FX Traffic is not Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and instead the transport and termination compensation for FX Traffic is subject to a Bill and Keep arrangement in SBC 2-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC CONNECTICUT, SBC ARKANSAS, SBC KANSAS, SBC TEXAS AND SBC MISSOURI.

6.2.3.1 To the extent that ISP-Bound Traffic is provisioned via an FX-type arrangement, such traffic is subject to a Bill and Keep arrangement. "Bill and Keep" refers to an arrangement in which neither of two interconnecting parties charges the other for terminating FX traffic that originates on the other party's network.

6.2.4 Pursuant to the Oklahoma Commission Arbitration Award in Docket 449960, the transport and termination compensation for Virtual FX, Dedicated FX, and FX-type Traffic will be originating access charges in SBC OKLAHOMA.

6.2.4.1 To the extent that ISP-Bound Traffic is provisioned via an FX-type arrangement, such traffic is subject to originating access charges.

6.3 Private Line Services include private line-like and special access services and are not subject to intercarrier compensation. Private Line Services are defined as a digital point-to-point connection that provides a dedicated circuit of pre-subscribed bandwidth between any two points. Private Line Services are used to consolidate communications over one line-voice, data, video and multimedia.

6.4 The Parties recognize and agree that ISP and Internet traffic (excluding ISP-Bound Traffic as defined in Section 5.1) could also be exchanged outside of the applicable local calling scope, or routed in ways that could make the rates and rate structure in Sections 4 and 5 above not apply, including but not limited to ISP calls that fit the underlying Agreement's definitions of:

- FX Traffic
- Optional EAS Traffic
- IntraLATA Toll Traffic
- InterLATA Toll Traffic
- 800, 888, 877, ("8YY") Traffic
- Feature Group A Traffic
- Feature Group D Traffic

6.5 The Parties agree that, for the purposes of this Appendix, either Parties' End Users remain free to place ISP calls under any of the above classifications. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, to the extent such ISP calls are placed, the Parties agree that Sections 4 and 5 above do not apply. The applicable rates, terms and conditions for: (a) FX Traffic are set forth in Section 6.2; (b) Optional EAS Traffic are set forth in

Section 7; (c) 8YY Traffic are set forth in Section 10; (d) Feature Group A Traffic are set forth in Section 6.2; and/or e) IntraLATA Toll Traffic are set forth in Sections 12 and 13.

**7. OPTIONAL CALLING AREA TRAFFIC -- SBC ARKANSAS, SBC KANSAS, AND SBC TEXAS**

- 7.1 Compensation for Optional Calling Area (OCA) Traffic, (also known as Optional Extended Area Service and Optional EAS) is for the termination of intercompany traffic to and from the Commission approved one-way or two-way optional exchanges(s) and the associated metropolitan area, except mandatory extended traffic as addressed in Sections 4.1 and 5.1 above. The transport and termination rate applies when SBC ARKANSAS, SBC KANSAS or SBC TEXAS transports traffic and terminates it at its own switch.
- 7.2 In the context of this Appendix, Optional Calling Areas (OCAs) exist only in the states of Arkansas, Kansas and Texas, and are outlined in the applicable state Local Exchange tariffs. This rate is independent of any retail service arrangement established by either Party. CLEC and SBC ARKANSAS, SBC KANSAS, and SBC TEXAS are not precluded from establishing its own local calling areas or prices for purposes of retail telephone service; however the terminating rates to be used for any such offering will still be administered as described in this Appendix.
- 7.3 The state specific OCA Transport and Termination rates are outlined in Appendix Pricing.

**8. MCA TRAFFIC -- SBC MISSOURI**

- 8.1 For compensation purposes in the state of Missouri, Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic shall be further defined as "Metropolitan Calling Area (MCA) Traffic" and "Non-MCA Traffic." MCA Traffic is traffic originated by a party providing a local calling scope plan pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission Orders in Case No. TO-92-306 and Case No. TO-99-483 (MCA Orders) and the call is a Section 251(b)(5) Traffic based on the calling scope of the originating party pursuant to the MCA Orders. Non-MCA Traffic is all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic that is not defined as MCA Traffic.
  - 8.1.1 Either party providing Metropolitan Calling Area (MCA) service shall offer the full calling scope prescribed in Case No. TO-92-306, without regard to the identity of the called party's local service provider. The parties may offer additional toll-free outbound calling or other services in conjunction with MCA service, but in any such offering the party shall not identify any calling scope other than that prescribed in Case No. TO-92-306 as "MCA" service.
  - 8.1.2 Pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission Order in Case No. TO-99-483, MCA Traffic shall be exchanged on a bill-and-keep intercompany compensation basis meaning that the party originating a call defined as MCA Traffic shall not compensate the terminating party for terminating the call.
- 8.2 The parties agree to use the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG) to provision the appropriate MCA NXXs in their networks. The LERG should be updated at least forty-five (45) days in advance of opening a new code to allow the other party the ability to make the necessary network modifications. If the Commission orders the parties to use an alternative other than the LERG, the parties will comply with the Commission's final order.
- 8.3 If CLEC provides service via resale or in conjunction with ported numbers in the MCA, the appropriate MCA NXXs will be updated by SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE.

**9. PRIMARY TOLL CARRIER ARRANGEMENTS**

- 9.1 A Primary Toll Carrier (PTC) is a company that provides IntraLATA Toll Traffic Service for its own end user customers and potentially for a third party ILEC's end user customers. In this ILEC arrangement, the PTC would receive the ILEC end user IntraLATA toll traffic revenues and pay the ILEC for originating these toll calls (originating access and billing & collection charges). The PTC would also pay the terminating access charges on behalf of the ILEC. In those SBC-13STATES where Primary Toll Carrier arrangements are mandated and for the IntraLATA toll traffic which is subject to a PTC arrangement and where SBC-13STATE is functioning as the PTC for a third party ILEC's end user customers:

- (i) SBC-13STATE shall deliver such intraLATA toll traffic that originated from that third party ILEC and terminated to CLEC as the terminating carrier in accordance with the terms and conditions of such PTC arrangement mandated by the respective state Commission. SBC-13STATE shall pay the CLEC on behalf of the originating third party ILEC for the termination of such intraLATA toll traffic at the terminating access rates as set forth in the CLEC's Intrastate Access Service Tariff, but such compensation shall not exceed the compensation contained in the SBC-13STATE Intrastate Access Service Tariff in the respective state; and/or
- (ii) SBC-13STATE shall deliver such intraLATA toll traffic that originated from CLEC and terminated to third party ILEC in accordance with the terms and conditions of such PTC arrangement mandated by the respective state Commission. CLEC shall pay SBC-13STATE for the use of its facilities at the rates set forth in SBC-13STATE's Intrastate Access Service Tariff. CLEC shall pay the ILEC for the termination of such traffic originated from CLEC.

#### **10. INTRALATA 800 TRAFFIC**

- 10.1 The Parties shall provide to each other intraLATA 800 Access Detail Usage Data for Customer billing and intraLATA 800 Copy Detail Usage Data for access billing in Exchange Message Interface (EMI) format. On a monthly basis the Parties agree to provide this data to each other at no charge. In the event of errors, omissions, or inaccuracies in data received from either Party, the liability of the Party providing such data shall be limited to the provision of corrected data only. If the originating Party does not send an End User billable record to the terminating Party, the originating Party will not bill the terminating Party any interconnection charges for this traffic.
- 10.2 IntraLATA 800 Traffic calls are billed to and paid for by the called or terminating Party, regardless of which Party performs the 800 query. Billing shall be based on originating and terminating NPA/NXX.

#### **11. MEET POINT BILLING (MPB) AND SWITCHED ACCESS TRAFFIC COMPENSATION**

- 11.1 Inter-carrier compensation for Switched Access Traffic shall be on a Meet Point Billing ("MPB") basis as described below.
- 11.2 The Parties will establish MPB arrangements in order to provide Switched Access Services via the respective carrier's Tandem Office Switch in accordance with the MPB guidelines contained in the Ordering and Billing Forum's MECOD and MECAB documents, as amended from time to time.
- 11.3 Billing for the Switched Exchange Access Services jointly provided by the Parties via MPB arrangements shall be according to the multiple bill/single tariff method. As described in the MECAB document, each Party will render a bill in accordance with its own tariff for that portion of the service it provides. Each Party will bill its own network access service rates. The residual interconnection charge (RIC), if any, will be billed by the Party providing the end office function.
- 11.4 The Parties will maintain provisions in their respective federal and state access tariffs, or provisions within the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff No. 4, or any successor tariff, sufficient to reflect this MPB arrangement, including MPB percentages.
- 11.5 As detailed in the MECAB document, the Parties will exchange all information necessary to accurately, reliably and promptly bill third parties for Switched Access Services traffic jointly handled by the Parties via the Meet Point Billing arrangement. Information shall be exchanged in a mutually acceptable electronic file transfer protocol. Where the EMI records cannot be transferred due to a transmission failure, records can be provided via a mutually acceptable medium. The exchange of Access Usage Records ("AURs") to accommodate MPB will be on a reciprocal, no charge basis. Each Party agrees to provide the other Party with AURs based upon mutually agreed upon intervals.
- 11.6 MPB shall also apply to all jointly provided Switched Access MOU traffic bearing the 900, or toll free NPAs (e.g., 800, 877, 866, 888 NPAs, or any other non-geographic NPAs). The Party that performs the SSP function (launches the query to the 800 database) will bill the 800 Service Provider for this function.

- 11.7 Each Party will act as the Official Recording Company for switched access usage when it is jointly provided between the Parties. As described in the MECAB document, the Official Recording Company for tandem routed traffic is: (1) the end office company for originating traffic, (2) the tandem company for terminating traffic and (3) the SSP company for originating 800 traffic.
- 11.8 SBC-13STATE and CLEC agree to provide the other Party with notification of any discovered errors in the record exchange process within ten (10) business days of the discovery.
- 11.9 In the event of a loss of data, both Parties shall cooperate to reconstruct the lost data within sixty (60) days of notification and if such reconstruction is not possible, shall accept a reasonable estimate of the lost data, based upon no more than three (3) to twelve (12) consecutive months of prior usage data.

## **12. \*COMPENSATION FOR ORIGATION AND TERMINATION OF INTERLATA TRAFFIC NOT SUBJECT TO MEET POINT BILLING**

- 12.1 Where a CLEC originates or terminates its own end user InterLATA Traffic not subject to Meet Point Billing, the CLEC must purchase FGD access service from SBC-13STATE's state or federal access tariffs, whichever is applicable, to carry such InterLATA Traffic.

## **13. INTRALATA TOLL TRAFFIC COMPENSATION**

- 13.1 For intrastate IntraLATA toll traffic, compensation for termination of such traffic will be at terminating access rates for Message Telephone Service (MTS) and originating access rates for 800 Service, including the Carrier Common Line (CCL) charge where applicable, as set forth in each Party's Intrastate Access Service Tariff, but such compensation shall not exceed the compensation contained in an SBC-13STATE's tariff in whose exchange area the End User is located.
- 13.2 For interstate IntraLATA toll traffic, compensation for termination of such traffic will be at terminating access rates for MTS and originating access rates for 800 Service including the CCL charge, as set forth in each Party's interstate Access Service Tariff, but such compensation shall not exceed the compensation contained in the SBC-13STATE's tariff in whose exchange area the End User is located. Common transport, (both fixed and variable), as well as tandem switching and end office rates apply only in those cases where a Party's tandem is used to terminate traffic.

## **14. BILLING ARRANGEMENTS FOR TERMINATION OF SECTION 251(B)(5) TRAFFIC, OPTIONAL EAS TRAFFIC, ISP-BOUND TRAFFIC AND INTRALATA TOLL TRAFFIC**

- 14.1 In SBC-13STATE, each Party, unless otherwise agreed, will calculate terminating interconnection minutes of use based on standard switch recordings made within the terminating carrier's network for 251(b)(5) Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic and IntraLATA Toll Traffic. These recordings are the basis for each Party to generate bills to the other Party.
  - 14.1.1 Where a terminating CLEC is not technically capable of billing the originating carrier through the use of terminating records, SBC-13STATE will provide the appropriate category of originating records to CLEC for the purposes of billing intercarrier compensation.
  - 14.1.2 The decision by the CLEC to utilize terminating recordings does not in any way relieve the obligation of the CLEC to exchange the appropriate category of records with other LECs.
  - 14.1.3 Where CLEC is using terminating recordings to bill intercarrier compensation, SBC-12STATE will provide the terminating Category 11-01-XX records by means of the Daily Usage File (DUF) to identify traffic that originates from an end user being served by a third party telecommunications carrier using an SBC-12STATE non-resale offering whereby SBC-12STATE provides the end office switching on a wholesale basis. Such records will contain the Operating Company Number (OCN) of

the responsible LEC that originated the calls which CLEC may use to bill such originating carrier for MOUS terminated on CLEC's network.

- 14.2 For those usage based charges where actual charge information is not determinable by SBC-2STATE because the jurisdiction (i.e., intrastate vs. local) or origin of the traffic is unidentifiable, the Parties will jointly develop a Percent Local Usage (PLU) factor in order to determine the appropriate charges PLU is calculated by dividing the Local MOU delivered to a Party for termination by the total MOU delivered to a Party for termination.
- 14.2.1 CLEC and SBC 2-STATE agree to exchange such reports and/or data as provided in this Attachment to facilitate the proper billing of traffic. Either Party may request an audit of such usage reports on no fewer than thirty (30) business day's written notice and any audit shall be accomplished during normal business hours at the office of the Party being audited. Such audit must be performed by a mutually agreed-to auditor paid for by the Party requesting the audit. Such audits shall be requested within six months of having received the usage reports from the other Party and may not be requested more than twice per year, once per calendar year for each call detail type unless the audit finds there has been a 20% or higher net error or variance in calculations, in which case a subsequent audit is required. Based upon the audit, previous compensation, billing and/or settlements will be adjusted for the past six (6) months. Also, if the PLU is adjusted based upon the audit results, the adjusted PLU will apply for the six (6) month period following the completion of the audit. If, as a result of the audit, either Party has overstated the PLU or underreported the call detail usage by twenty percent (20%) or more, that Party shall reimburse the auditing Party for the cost of the audit and will pay for the cost of a subsequent audit which is to happen within nine (9) months of the initial audit.
- 14.3 In states in which SBC-12STATE has offered to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound traffic pursuant to the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan set forth in the FCC ISP Compensation Order, ISP-Bound Traffic will be calculated using the 3:1 Presumption as set forth in Section 5.7 of this Appendix.
- 14.4 The measurement of minutes of use over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups shall be in actual conversation seconds. The total conversation seconds over each individual Local Interconnection Trunk Group will be totaled for the entire monthly bill and then rounded to the next whole minute.
- 14.5 In the event of a loss of data, both Parties shall cooperate to reconstruct the lost data within sixty (60) days of notification and if such reconstruction is not possible, shall accept a reasonable estimate of the lost data, based upon no more than three (3) to twelve (12) consecutive months of prior usage data.

## 15. <sup>9</sup>SWITCHED ACCESS TRAFFIC

- 15.1 For purposes of this Agreement only, Switched Access Traffic shall mean all traffic that originates from an end user physically located in one local exchange and delivered for termination to an end user physically located in a different local exchange (excluding traffic from exchanges sharing a common mandatory local calling area as defined in SBC-13STATE's local exchange tariffs on file with the applicable state commission) including, without limitation, any traffic that (i) terminates over a Party's circuit switch, including traffic from a service that originates over a circuit switch and uses Internet Protocol (IP) transport technology (regardless of whether only one provider uses IP transport or multiple providers are involved in providing IP transport) and/or (ii) originates from the end user's premises in IP format and is transmitted to the switch of a provider of voice communication applications or services when such switch utilizes IP technology. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, all Switched Access Traffic shall be delivered to the terminating Party over feature group access trunks per the terminating Party's access tariff(s) and shall be subject to applicable intrastate and interstate switched access charges; provided, however, the following categories of Switched Access Traffic are not subject to the above stated requirement relating to routing over feature group access trunks:

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- (i) IntraLATA toll Traffic or Optional EAS Traffic from a CLEC end user that obtains local dial tone from CLEC where CLEC is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic provider and the intraLATA toll provider;
- (ii) IntraLATA toll Traffic or Optional EAS Traffic from an SBC end user that obtains local dial tone from SBC where SBC is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic provider and the intraLATA toll provider;
- (iii) Switched Access Traffic delivered to SBC from an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) where the terminating number is ported to another CLEC and the IXC fails to perform the Local Number Portability (LNP) query; and/or
- (iv) Switched Access Traffic delivered to either Party from a third party competitive local exchange carrier over interconnection trunk groups carrying Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic (hereinafter referred to as "Local Interconnection Trunk Groups") destined to the other Party.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, each Party reserves its rights, remedies, and arguments relating to the application of switched access charges for traffic exchanged by the Parties prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement and described in the FCC's Order issued in the Petition for Declaratory Ruling that AT&T's Phone-to-Phone IP Telephony Services Exempt from Access Charges, WC Docket No. 01-361 (Released April 21, 2004).

- 15.2 In the limited circumstances in which a third party competitive local exchange carrier delivers Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 15.1 (iv) above to either Party over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, such Party may deliver such Switched Access Traffic to the terminating Party over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. If it is determined that such traffic has been delivered over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, the terminating Party may object to the delivery of such traffic by providing written notice to the delivering Party pursuant to the notice provisions set forth in the General Terms and Conditions and request removal of such traffic. The Parties will work cooperatively to identify the traffic with the goal of removing such traffic from the Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. If the delivering Party has not removed or is unable to remove such Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 16.1(iv) above from the Local Interconnection Trunk Groups within sixty (60) days of receipt of notice from the other party, the Parties agree to jointly file a complaint or any other appropriate action with the applicable Commission to seek any necessary permission to remove the traffic from such interconnection trunks up to and including the right to block such traffic and to obtain compensation, if appropriate, from the third party competitive local exchange carrier delivering such traffic to the extent it is not blocked.

16. **<sup>10</sup>TRANSIT TRAFFIC** - "Transit Traffic" means Telecommunications Traffic that originated on one Party's network, transited through the other Party's network, and terminated to a third party Telecommunications Carrier's network or that is originated on a third party Telecommunications Carrier's network, transited through a Party's network, and terminated to the other Party's network.

16.1 Exchange Of Traffic

16.1.1 The Parties may send each other Transit Traffic.

16.1.2 Each Party acknowledges that it is the originating Party's responsibility to enter into transiting arrangements with the third party providing the transit services.

16.1.3 Each Party acknowledges that it is the originating Party's responsibility to enter into arrangements with each third-party LEC, CLEC, or CMRS provider for the exchange of indirect traffic to that third party.

16.1.4 Each Party is responsible for the transport of originating calls from its network to its point of interconnection with the transiting party. The originating Party is responsible for the payment of transit charges assessed by the transiting party.

16.2 Rates for Transit Service:

- 16.2.1 Transit service providers are rightly due compensation for the use of their tandem switching and common transport elements when providing a transit service. This compensation is based on TELRIC pricing and appears in Appendix PRICING - All Traffic.
- 16.2.2 Toll traffic, switched access, and special access traffic, if separately chargeable, shall be charged the appropriate rate out of the terminating LEC's tariff or via other appropriate meet point access arrangements.
- 16.3 The Transiting Party will use reasonable effort to deliver each call to the other Party's network with SS7 Common Channel Interoffice Signaling (CCIS) and other appropriate TCAP messages in order to facilitate full interoperability and billing functions. The Transiting Party agrees to send all message indicators according to industry standards and to provide the terminating Party information on traffic originated by a third-party CLEC, ILEC, or CMRS provider. To the extent that the industry adopts a standard record format for recording originating and/or terminating transit calls, both Parties agree to comply with the industry-adopted format to exchange records.

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

**1. 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.
  - 1.1.1 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin.
  - 1.1.2 SBC-2STATE - As used herein, SBC-2STATE means SBC CALIFORNIA and SBC NEVADA, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in California and Nevada.
  - 1.1.3 SBC-13STATE - As used herein, SBC-13STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC-2STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
  - 1.1.4 SBC CONNECTICUT - As used herein, SBC CONNECTICUT means The Southern New England Telephone Company, the applicable above listed ILEC doing business in Connecticut.
  - 1.1.5 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.
  - 1.1.6 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas the applicable above listed ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.

**2. DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 "Access Usage Record" (AUR) - a message record which contains the usage measurement reflecting the service feature group, duration and time of day for a message and is subsequently used to bill access to Interexchange Carriers (IXCs).
- 2.2 "Assembly and Editing" - the aggregation of recorded customer message details to create individual message records and the verification that all necessary information required ensuring all individual message records meet industry specifications is present.
- 2.3 "Billing Company" - the company that bills End Users for the charges incurred in originating and terminating IXC transported calls.
- 2.4 "Billable Message" - a message record containing details of a completed IXC transported call which is used to bill an end user.

- 2.5 "Centralized Message Distribution System" (CMDS) - the national network of private line facilities used to exchange Exchange Message Interface (EMI) formatted billing data between SBC-13STATE and the Billing Company.
- 2.6 "Data Transmission" - the forwarding by SBC-13STATE of IXC transported toll message detail and/or access usage record detail in EMR format over data lines or on magnetic tapes to the appropriate Billing Company.
- 2.7 "Exchange Message Interface" (EMI) - Industry standard message format as described in accordance with the Telcordia Practice BR010-200-010 developed for the interexchange of telecommunications message information.
- 2.8 "Interexchange Carrier" (IXC) - A third party transmission provider that carries long distance voice and non-voice traffic between user locations for a related recurring fee. IXCs provide service interstate and intrastate. In some states IXCs are permitted to operate within a LATA.
- 2.9 "Interexchange Carrier Transported" - telecommunications services provided by an IXC or traffic transported by facilities belonging to an IXC.
- 2.10 "Local Access and Transport Area" (LATA) - service areas defined in FCC Docket 78-72.
- 2.11 "Message Processing" - the creation of individual EMI formatted billable message detail records from individual recordings that reflect specific billing detail for use in billing the End User and/or access usage records from individual recordings that reflect the service feature group, duration and time of day for a message, Carrier Identification Code, among other fields, for use in billing access to the Interexchange Carriers. Message Processing includes performing CMDS online edits required to ensure message detail and access usage records are consistent with CMDS specifications.
- 2.12 "Originating Local Exchange Carrier Company" - the company whose local exchange telephone network is used to originate calls thereby providing originating exchange access to IXCs.
- 2.13 "Provision of Message Detail" - the sorting of all billable message detail and access usage record detail by Revenue Accounting Office, Operating Company Number or Service Bureau, splitting of data into packs for invoicing, and loading of data into files for data transmission to CLEC for those records created internally or received from other Local Exchange Carrier Companies or Interexchange Carriers through SBC-13STATE's internal network or national CMDS.
- 2.14 "Record" - a logical grouping of information as described in the programs that process information and create the data files.
- 2.15 "Recording" - the creation and storage on magnetic tape or other medium of the basic billing details of a message in Automatic Message Accounting (AMA) format converted to EMI layout.
- 2.16 "Service Switching Point" (SSP) - a signaling point that can launch queries to databases and receive/interpret responses used to provide specific customer services.
- 2.17 "Recording Company" - the company that performs the functions of recording and message processing of Interexchange Carrier (IXC) transported messages and the provision of message detail.
- 2.18 "Switching Control Point" (SCP) - the real time database system that contains routing instructions for 800 calls. In addition to basic routing instructions, the SCP may also provide vertical feature translations, i.e., time of day, day of week routing, out of area screening and/or translation of the dialed 800 number to its assigned working telephone number.
- 2.19 "800 SCP Carrier Access Usage Summary Record" (SCP Record) - a summary record which contains information concerning the quantity and types of queries launched to an SBC-13STATE SCP.
- 2.20 "Terminating Local Exchange Carrier Company" - the company whose local exchange telephone network is used to terminate calls thereby providing terminating exchange access to IXCs.

### **3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

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

### **4. 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 the CLEC in accordance with this Appendix on a reciprocal, no-charge basis. CLEC, 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 according to the guidelines and specifications contained in the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) document.

**5. 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 details initially were made available to the non-Recording Company. If written notification is not received within sixty (60) calendar days, the Recording Company shall have no further obligation to recover the data and shall have no further liability to the non-Recording Company.
- 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.
- 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 also agrees to release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other 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 Party's employees and equipment associated with provision of this service. 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 CLEC end office. The Recording Company creates Access Usage Records for this traffic and forwards those AUR records to the CLEC.
- 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: CLEC Non-Equal Access End Office - The Interexchange Carriers do own billable message recording. The Recording Company performs local and intraLATA operator services for the CLEC. 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 the CLEC.
- Option #5: CLEC Equal Access End Office - The Interexchange Carriers do own billable message recording. The Recording Company performs local and intraLATA operator services for the CLEC. 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 the CLEC.
- 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 CLEC 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 CLEC.
- Option #9: This option has been withdrawn.
- Option #10: Recording Company performs SCP function for CLEC. The Recording Company performs recording at the SCP, assembles and edits this data, creates SCP records and forwards SCP records to the CLEC.

**TERMINATING RECORDINGS - IXC TRANSPORTED ACCESS USAGE RECORDS**

- Option #11: Recording Company provides tandem function for CLEC. The CLEC 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 the CLEC.
- Option #12: Recording Company provides tandem function for CLEC. The CLEC 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 the CLEC.
- Option #13: Recording Company provides tandem function for CLEC. The CLEC 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 the CLEC.
- Option #14: Recording Company provides tandem function for CLEC. The CLEC 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 the CLEC.
- Option #15: Recording Company provides tandem function for CLEC. The CLEC 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 the CLEC.

## 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

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## APPENDIX RESALE

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## APPENDIX RESALE

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix set forth terms and conditions for Resale Services provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin.
- 1.3 SBC-2STATE - As used herein, SBC-2STATE means SBC CALIFORNIA and SBC NEVADA, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in California and Nevada.
- 1.4 SBC-4STATE - As used herein, SBC-4STATE means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, and SBC Oklahoma the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.
- 1.5 SBC-7STATE - As used herein, SBC-7STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC CALIFORNIA and SBC NEVADA, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma, and Texas.
- 1.6 SBC-8STATE - As used herein, SBC-8STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC CALIFORNIA, SBC NEVADA and SBC CONNECTICUT the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma, and Texas.
- 1.7 SBC-10STATE - As used herein, SBC-10STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE on the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
- 1.8 SBC-12STATE - As used herein, SBC-12STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and SBC-2STATE the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
- 1.9 SBC-13STATE - As used herein, SBC-13STATE means SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC-2STATE and SBC CONNECTICUT the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
- 1.10 SBC ARKANSAS - As used herein, SBC ARKANSAS means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Arkansas.
- 1.11 SBC CALIFORNIA - As used herein, SBC CALIFORNIA means Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC California, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in California.
- 1.12 SBC CONNECTICUT - As used herein, SBC CONNECTICUT means The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Connecticut, the applicable above listed ILEC doing business in Connecticut.
- 1.13 SBC KANSAS - As used herein, SBC KANSAS means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Kansas, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Kansas.
- 1.14 SBC ILLINOIS - As used herein, SBC ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

- 1.15 SBC INDIANA - As used herein, SBC INDIANA means Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Indiana.
- 1.16 SBC MICHIGAN - As used herein, SBC MICHIGAN means Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, the applicable SBC-owned doing business in Michigan.
- 1.17 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.
- 1.18 SBC MISSOURI - As used herein, SBC MISSOURI means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Missouri.
- 1.19 SBC NEVADA - As used herein, SBC NEVADA means Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Nevada, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Nevada.
- 1.20 SBC OHIO - As used herein, SBC OHIO means The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Ohio, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Ohio.
- 1.21 SBC OKLAHOMA - As used herein, SBC OKLAHOMA means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Oklahoma, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Oklahoma.
- 1.22 SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Arkansas, SBC Kansas, SBC Missouri, SBC Oklahoma and/or SBC Texas the applicable above listed ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.
- 1.23 SBC TEXAS - As used herein, SBC TEXAS means Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Texas, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Texas.
- 1.24 SBC WISCONSIN - As used herein, SBC WISCONSIN means Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a SBC Wisconsin, the applicable SBC-owned ILEC doing business in Wisconsin.
- 1.25 The prices at which SBC agrees to provide CLEC with Resale Services are contained in the applicable Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable Commission ordered tariff where stated.

## **2. DESCRIPTION AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES**

- 2.1 Resale services are available in accordance with section 251(C)(4) of the Act and consistent with Section 2.12.1.3 of the General Terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 2.2 A list of Telecommunications Services currently available for resale at the wholesale discount rate for each service determined by the appropriate Commission is set forth in Appendix Pricing. Except as otherwise expressed herein, consistent with SBC-13STATE's obligation under Section 251(c)(4)(A) of the Act and any other applicable limitations or restrictions, CLEC may resell other Telecommunications Services offered at retail by SBC-13STATE at the discount set forth in Appendix Pricing.
  - 2.2.1 This section applies only to SBC KANSAS:
    - 2.2.1.1 CLEC shall select either (1) a uniform rate structure or (2) a three-tier discount structure based on lines, vertical features and toll. The three-tier discount structure will be made available upon written request from CLEC negotiating an interconnection agreement with SBC KANSAS.
- 2.3 SBC-13STATE will offer products and services to CLEC for resale pursuant to relevant decisions of the appropriate Commission.
- 2.4 Telecommunications Services will be offered by SBC-13STATE to CLEC for resale on terms and conditions that are reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

- 2.5 Grandfathered services are available per appropriate state specific tariff to CLEC for resale at the applicable discount only to the same End User, at the existing End User's location, to which SBC-13STATE provides the service, either at retail or through resale.

### 3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

- 3.1 Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, for Telecommunications Services included within this Appendix that are offered by SBC-13STATE to SBC-13STATE's End Users through tariff(s), the rules and regulations associated with SBC-13STATE's retail tariff(s) shall apply when the services are resold by CLEC, with the exception of any tariff resale restrictions; provided, however, any tariff restrictions on further resale by the End User shall continue to apply. Use limitations shall be in parity with services offered by SBC-13STATE to its End Users.
- 3.2 CLEC shall only sell Plexar®, Centrex and Centrex-like services to a single End User or multiple End User(s) in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the corresponding SBC-13STATE retail tariff(s) applicable within that state.
- 3.3 Except where otherwise explicitly permitted in SBC-13STATE's corresponding retail tariff(s), CLEC shall not permit the sharing of a service by multiple End User(s) or the aggregation of traffic from multiple End User(s) onto a single service.
- 3.3.1 This section applies only to SBC TEXAS:
- 3.3.1.1 Within the State of Texas, based upon the Texas Commission's arbitration order, SBC TEXAS will permit aggregation for purposes of the resale of volume discount offers. Volume discount offers include such items as IntraLATA toll, but do not include such items as packages of vertical features.
- 3.4 CLEC shall only resell services furnished under this Appendix to the same category of End User(s) to whom SBC-13STATE offers such services (for example, residence service shall not be resold to business End Users).
- 3.4.1 SBC-13STATE - CLEC may only resell special needs services" as identified in associated state specific tariffs to persons who are eligible for each such service. As used herein, the term "special needs services" means services for the physically disabled where the disability is related to vision, speech, hearing or motion. Further, to the extent CLEC resells services that require certification on the part of the End User, CLEC shall ensure that the End User has obtained proper certification, continues to be eligible for the program(s), and complies with all rules and regulations as established by the appropriate Commission and the state specific SBC-13STATE tariffs.
- 3.4.2 This section applies only to SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE: SBC WISCONSIN, SBC OHIO and SBC INDIANA
- 3.4.2.1 Where available for resale according to associated retail state specific tariffs, CLEC may only resell SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC WISCONSIN, SBC OHIO and SBC INDIANA low income assistance services, (e.g. LifeLine and Link-Up services), to persons who are eligible for each such service. Further, to the extent CLEC resells services that require certification on the part of the End User, CLEC shall ensure that the End User meets all associated tariff eligibility requirements, has obtained proper certification, continues to be eligible for the program(s), and complies with all rules and regulations as established by the appropriate Commission and the state specific SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC WISCONSIN, SBC OHIO and SBC INDIANA tariffs.
- 3.4.3 This section applies only to SBC CALIFORNIA, SBC CONNECTICUT and SBC ILLINOIS:
- 3.4.3.1 SBC CALIFORNIA, SBC CONNECTICUT and SBC ILLINOIS LifeLine and Link-Up services are not available for resale.

3.4.3.2 CLEC is exclusively responsible for all aspects of any similar CLEC-offered program, including ensuring that any similar CLEC-offered program(s) complies with all applicable federal and state requirements, obtaining all necessary End User certifications and re-certifications, submitting written designation that any of CLEC's End User or applicants are eligible to participate in such programs, submitting CLEC's claims for reimbursement to any applicable governmental authority and any other activities required by any applicable governmental authority.

3.4.4 This section applies only to SBC NEVADA:

3.4.4.1 SBC NEVADA low income assistance services, (e.g., LifeLine and Link-Up services) are available for resale for a maximum period of 90 days from contract approval date. The CLEC has 90 days from the contract approval date to coordinate with the appropriate federal and state government agencies to establish the CLEC's own low income assistance service(s). At the end of the 90 day period, CLEC is responsible for Initiating Local Service Requests (LSR) to the ILEC for converting any existing ILEC Customer Service Records (CSR) from low income designated services to normal residential service. CLEC will be responsible for designating its own billing records and establishing and administering its low income assistance services internally.

3.4.4.2 CLEC is exclusively responsible for all aspects of any similar CLEC-offered program, including ensuring that any similar CLEC-offered program(s) complies with all applicable federal and state requirements, obtaining all necessary End User certifications and re-certifications, submitting written designation that any of CLEC's End User or applicants are eligible to participate in such programs, submitting CLEC's claims for reimbursement to any applicable governmental authority and any other activities required by any applicable governmental authority.

3.5 Promotions

3.5.1 Promotions are available for the Telecommunications Services outlined in Appendix Pricing in the "Resale" category and in accordance with state specific Commission requirements.

3.5.2 This section applies only to SBC NEVADA and SBC MISSOURI:

3.5.2.1 Promotions of eighty-nine (89) days or less are not available to CLEC for resale.

3.5.2.2 Promotions of ninety (90) days or more are available to CLEC for resale at the applicable wholesale discount, state specific.

3.5.3 This section applies only to SBC CALIFORNIA, SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, SBC CONNECTICUT and SBC ARKANSAS

3.5.3.1 Promotions of ninety (90) days or less are not available to CLEC for resale.

3.5.3.2 Promotions of ninety-one (91) days or more are available to CLEC for resale and at the applicable wholesale discount, state specific.

3.5.4 This section applies only to SBC KANSAS, SBC TEXAS and SBC OKLAHOMA:

3.5.4.1 Promotions on Telecommunications Services are available to CLEC for resale. The applicable, state specific, wholesale discount will be applied to those promotions of ninety-one (91) days or more.

3.6 CLEC shall not use a resold service to avoid the rates, terms and conditions of SBC-13STATE's corresponding retail tariff(s).

3.7 CLEC shall not use resold local Telecommunications Services to provide access or interconnection services to itself, Interexchange carriers (IXCs), wireless carriers, competitive access providers (CAPs), or other telecommunications providers; provided, however, that CLEC may permit its End Users to use resold local exchange telephone service to access IXCs, wireless carriers, CAPs, or other retail telecommunications providers.

- 3.8 A Federal End User Common Line charge and any other appropriate Commission-approved charges, as set forth in the appropriate SBC-13STATE federal and applicable state tariff(s) will apply to each local exchange line furnished to CLEC under this Appendix for resale.
- 3.9 To the extent allowable by law, CLEC shall be responsible for Primary Interexchange Carrier (both PIC and LPIC) change charges associated with each local exchange line furnished to CLEC for resale. CLEC shall pay all charges for PIC and LPIC changes at the tariff rate(s).
- 3.10 SBC-13STATE shall provide the services covered by this Appendix subject to availability of existing facilities and on a nondiscriminatory basis with its other customers. CLEC shall resell the services provided herein only in those service areas in which such resale services or any feature or capability thereof are offered to End Users at retail by SBC-13STATE as the incumbent local exchange carrier.
- 3.11 When an End User converts existing service to CLEC resold service of the same type without any additions or changes, charges for such conversion will apply as set forth in Appendix Pricing in the "OTHER (Resale)" category, listed as "conversion charges," and are applied per billable telephone number.
- 3.11.1 When an End User(s) subscribes to CLEC resold service, recurring charges for the service shall apply at the wholesale discount set forth in Appendix Pricing. The tariff rates for such resold service shall continue to be subject to orders of the appropriate Commission.
- 3.11.2 When CLEC converts an End User(s) existing service and additions or changes are made to the service at the time of the conversion, the normal service order charges and/or non-recurring charges associated with said additions and/or changes will be applied in addition to the conversion charge. CLEC will receive a wholesale discount on all non-recurring service order charges for the services listed in Appendix Pricing under the heading "Resale;" no wholesale discount is available for the non-recurring service order charges for those services listed in Appendix Pricing under the heading "OTHER (Resale)."
- 3.11.3 For the purposes of ordering service furnished under this Appendix, each request for new service (that is, service not currently being provided to the End User on SBC-13STATE's network, without regard to the identity of that End User's non-facilities based local service provider of record) shall be handled as a separate initial request for service and shall be charged per billable telephone number.
- 3.11.4 Where available, the tariff retail additional line rate for Service Order Charges shall apply only to those requests for additional residential service to be provided at the same End User premises to which a residential line is currently provided on SBC-13STATE's network, without regard to the identity of that End User's non-facilities based local service provider of record.
- 3.12 If CLEC is in violation of any provision of this Appendix, SBC-13STATE will notify CLEC of the violation in writing. Such notice shall refer to the specific provision being violated. CLEC will have thirty (30) calendar days to correct the violation and notify SBC-13STATE in writing that the violation has been corrected. SBC-13STATE will bill CLEC a sum equal (i) the charges that would have been billed by SBC-13STATE to CLEC or any Third Party but for the stated violation and (ii) the actual revenues CLEC billed its End User(s) in connection with the stated violation, whichever is greater. Should CLEC dispute the stated violation, CLEC must notify SBC-13STATE in writing of the specific details and reasons for its dispute within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the notice from SBC-13STATE and comply with Sections 8.3 through 8.7 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached. Resolution of any dispute by CLEC of the stated violation shall be conducted in compliance with the Dispute Resolution provisions set forth in the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached.
- 3.13 SBC-13STATE's services are not available at wholesale rates to CLEC for its own use or for the use of any of CLEC's affiliates and/or subsidiaries or the use of CLEC's parent or any affiliate and/or subsidiary of CLEC's parent company, if any.

**3.14 This section applies only to SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE:**

**3.14.1** CLEC may convert current SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE End User(s) that have existing term, volume, termination liability or any customer specific pricing contracts (collectively referred to hereinafter as "CSP Contracts") for services offered within the state of Kansas or Texas, and

**3.14.2** SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and any other reseller of SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE local service may convert current CLEC End User(s) that have existing CSP Contracts for services offered within the states of Arkansas, Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma or Missouri.

**3.14.3** In the event of a conversion under either Section 3.14.1 or 3.14.2, CLEC and SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE shall comply with all of the terms and conditions set forth in Sections 3.14.4 and 3.14.5.

**3.14.4 Responsibilities of CLEC in connection with Assumption of CSP Contract Conversions.**

**3.14.4.1** CLEC shall sign an "Assumption of Existing Agreement" assuming the balance of the terms, including volume, term and termination liability remaining on any current retail SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE or resold End User CSP Contract at the time of conversion. CLEC may assume the CSP Contract at the wholesale discount of 5.0% in Arkansas and Kansas and 5.62% in Texas. CLECs may assume tariffed volume and term contracts at the wholesale discount of 8.0% in the states of Arkansas and Kansas and 8.04% in the state of Texas.

**3.14.4.2** SBC OKLAHOMA and SBC MISSOURI tariffed and Individual Case Basis (ICB) contracts may be assumed, but receive no wholesale discount.

**3.14.4.3** CLEC shall not charge CLEC's End User termination liability when an existing CSP contract between CLEC and its End User is converted to SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE or any other local service provider reselling SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE local service.

**3.14.4.4** If another reseller of SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE local service converts a current CLEC End User(s) that has an existing CSP Contract, it is CLEC's responsibility to address assumption of the CSP contract and termination liability with the other reseller. CLEC agrees that SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE has no responsibilities in such a situation, and CLEC further agrees that it will not make any Claim against SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE in connection with any conversion by another reseller of SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE local service of any CLEC End User(s) that has an existing CSP contract.

**3.14.5 Responsibilities of SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE in connection with Assumptions of CSP Contract Conversions:**

**3.14.5.1** SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will not charge its retail End User termination liability when an existing CSP contract is converted to CLEC for resale.

**3.14.5.2** SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will assume in writing the balance of the terms, including volume, term and termination liability remaining on a current CSP contract between CLEC and its End User at the time that CLEC's End User is converted to SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE.

**3.15 This section applies only to SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE:**

**3.15.1** SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE retail contracts may be assumed unless expressly prohibited by the contract. Contracts for grandfathered and/or sunsetted services may not be assumed.

**3.15.2** Subject to the provisions of Section 3.15.1, the following shall apply:

**3.15.2.1** SBC ILLINOIS tariffed and Individual Case Basis (ICB) contracts that are assumed receive a wholesale discount of 3.16%.

3.15.2.2 SBC MICHIGAN tariffed and Individual Case Basis (ICB) contracts that are assumed receive a wholesale discount of 3.42%.

3.15.2.3 SBC OHIO, and SBC WISCONSIN tariffed and Individual Case Basis (ICB) contracts may be assumed, but receive no wholesale discount.

3.15.2.4 SBC INDIANA tariffed and Individual Case Basis (ICB) contracts that are assumed will receive an interim wholesale discount of 3.39%. Final wholesale discount will be applied on a going forward basis awaiting the outcome of the pending cost study.

3.15.2.5 SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE Non-Standard Service contracts may be assumed, but receive no wholesale discount.

3.15.3 If CLEC elects to terminate a SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE retail contract which CLEC had previously assumed, CLEC will be assessed the applicable termination charges remaining unless CLEC elects to simultaneously replace the existing contract with a contract of greater term and/or volume at the same discount CLEC receives for the previously assumed but now terminated contract.

#### 4. ANCILLARY SERVICES

4.1 Where available, SBC-13STATE will afford CLEC's End Users the ability to make 911 calls. In the areas served by SBC-8STATE, CLEC shall be responsible for collecting and remitting all applicable 911 fees and surcharges on a per line basis to the appropriate Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) or other governmental authority responsible for collection of such fees and surcharges. When requested by SBC-13STATE, CLEC shall provide SBC-13STATE with accurate and complete information regarding CLEC's End User(s) in a format and time frame prescribed by SBC-13STATE for purposes of E911 administration. In the areas served by SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, any 911 fees or surcharges associated with Resale accounts shall be included by SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE on CLEC's invoice and CLEC agrees to pay Ameritech all such fees and surcharges. SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE shall then be responsible for submitting or retaining such fees and surcharges in accordance with the appropriate 911 cost recovery plan applicable to the local jurisdiction.

4.1.1 Should any CLEC End User assert any Claim that relates to access to 911, the limitations of liability set forth in Appendix 911, which is attached to the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached, shall govern all Claims that may be asserted against any Party to this Appendix relating to access to 911, whether such assertion is made by the other Party or any Third Party, and such provisions are incorporated herein for all purposes as though set forth herein.

4.2 Subject to SBC-13STATE's practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of White Pages directories, SBC-13STATE will include in appropriate White Pages directories the primary alphabetical listings of all CLEC End Users located within the local directory scope. The rules, regulations and SBC-13STATE practices are subject to change from time to time.

4.3 Additional Listing services, as set forth in Appendix Pricing, may be purchased by CLEC for its End Users on a per listing basis.

#### 4.4 Liability relating to End User Listings

4.4.1 CLEC hereby releases SBC-13STATE from any and all liability for damages due to errors or omissions in CLEC's End User listing information as provided to SBC-13STATE under this Appendix, and/or CLEC's End User listing information as it appears in the White Pages directory, including, but not limited to, special, indirect, consequential, punitive or incidental damages.

4.4.2 In addition to any other indemnity obligations in this Appendix or the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached, CLEC shall indemnify, protect, save harmless and defend SBC-13STATE and SBC-13STATE's officers, employees, agents, representatives and assigns from and against any and all losses, liability, damages and expense arising out of any demand, claim, suit or judgment by a Third Party in any way related to any error or omission in CLEC's End User listing information,

including any error or omission related to non-published or non-listed End User listing information. CLEC shall so indemnify regardless of whether the demand, claim or suit by the third party is brought jointly against CLEC and SBC-13STATE, and/or against SBC-13STATE alone. However, if such demand, claim or suit specifically alleges that an error or omission appears in CLEC's End User listing information in the White Pages directory, SBC-13STATE may, at its option, assume and undertake its own defense, or assist in the defense of the CLEC, in which event the CLEC shall reimburse SBC-13STATE for reasonable attorney's fees and other expenses incurred by SBC-13STATE in handling and defending such demand, claim and/or suit.

- 4.5 Each CLEC subscriber will receive one copy per primary End User listing of SBC-13STATE's White Pages directory in the same manner and at the same time that they are delivered to SBC-13STATE's subscribers.
  - 4.5.1 If CLEC's End User already has a current SBC-13STATE local White Pages directory, SBC-13STATE shall not be required to deliver a directory to that End User until new White Pages directories are published for that End User's location.
- 4.6 SBC-8STATE will provide CLEC with 1/8<sup>th</sup> page in each directory (where the CLEC has or plans to have local telephone exchange customers) for the CLEC to include CLEC specific information (i.e., business office, residence office, repair bureau, etc.) in the White Pages directory on an "index-type" informational page. No advertising will be permitted on such informational page. This page will also include specific information pertaining to other CLECs. At its option, CLEC shall provide SBC-8STATE with its logo and information in the form of a camera-ready copy, sized at 1/8<sup>th</sup> of a page. The content of CLEC's camera-ready copy shall be subject to SBC-8STATE approval. In those directories in which SBC-8STATE includes Spanish Customer Guide Pages, this informational page will also be provided in Spanish at CLEC's request, subject to the guidelines set forth above.
- 4.7 At its request, CLEC may purchase one one-sided "Informational Page" in the informational section of the White Pages directory covering a geographic area where CLEC provides local telecommunications exchange service. Such page shall be no different in style, size, color and format than SBC-8STATE "Informational Page". Sixty (60) calendar days prior to the directory close date, the CLEC shall provide to SBC-8STATE the "Informational Page" in the form of camera-ready copy.
- 4.8 Subject to any blocking that may be ordered by CLEC for its End Users, to the extent Directory Assistance (DA) services are provided to SBC-13STATE End Users, SBC-13STATE shall provide CLEC's End Users access to SBC-13STATE Directory Assistance services. CLEC shall pay SBC-13STATE the charges attributable to Directory Assistance services utilized by CLEC's End Users.
- 4.9 Subject to any blocking that may be ordered by CLEC for its End Users, SBC-13STATE will provide access to Operator Services ("OS") to CLEC's End Users to the same extent it provides OS to its own End Users. CLEC shall pay the charges associated with the utilization of OS by CLEC's End Users. Discounts associated with the utilization of OS are set forth in Appendix Pricing.
- 4.10 SBC-13STATE offers CLEC the opportunity to customize route its End Users' OS/DA calls where technically feasible.
- 4.11 OS/DA Branding
  - 4.11.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, SBC-13STATE will brand Operator Services (OS) and/or Directory Assistance (DA) in CLEC's name as outlined below.
  - 4.11.2 Call Branding
    - 4.11.2.1 SBC-13STATE will brand OS/DA in CLEC's name based upon the information provided by CLEC and as outlined below.
  - 4.11.3 SBC-13STATE - CLEC will provide written specifications of its company name to be used by SBC-13STATE to create CLEC specific branding announcements for its OS/DA calls in accordance with the process outlined in the Operator Services OS/DA Questionnaire (OSQ).