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Article III -

This Agreement, and the Parties' performance hereunder, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Act, and applicable federal and Missouri law.

50. CenturyTel further agrees to provide Number Portability in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

CenturyTel's obligation to provide "number portability" when a customer changes providers is stated at Section 147 U.S.C. 251 (b)(2). The term "number portability" is specifically defined as excluding attempts to change the serving location of the customer. Section 147 U.S.C. 151 (30) defines "number portability" as follows:

The term 'number portability' means the ability of users of telecommunications services to retain, at the same location, existing telecommunications numbers without impairment of quality, reliability, or convenience when switching from one telecommunications carrier to another.

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