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4 5 6	WILLIAM L. VOIGHT
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9 10 11	CASE NO. TE-2006-0053
12 13	Q. Are you the same William L. Voight who filed Direct Testimony in
14	this case?
15	A. Yes.
16	Q. What is the purpose of your Rebuttal Testimony?
17	A. My testimony is responsive to statements made in Direct Testimony by
18	Mr. Schoonmaker of the Small Telephone Company Group (STCG), and by
19	Messrs. Constable and Read of AT&T Missouri (AT&T).
20	Q. Both Mr. Schoonmaker, in Schedule RCS-2, and Mr. Read, in
21	Schedule 6-P, offer what appears to be the same example of an Exchange
22	Message Interface (EMI) Category 11-01-XX billing record, yet each witness
23	draws opposite conclusions as to whether this type of billing record requires
24	the inclusion of the Calling Party Telephone Number (CPN) for wireless
25	originated calls. What can possibly explain the differences in perspective?
26	A. My reading of the testimony leads me to the conclusion that Mr.
27	Schoonmaker is primarily discussing the Category 11 billing records created for
28	interexchange (IXC) traffic, and Mr. Read is primarily discussing the Category 11
29	billing records created for LEC-to-LEC traffic.

Q. What is the difference in IXC traffic and LEC-to-LEC traffic?

A. The differences in the two traffic types are set forth in 4 CSR 240-29.010 (15) and (19). IXC traffic is that which traverses an interexchange carrier's point of presence; LEC-to-LEC (or simply "LEC") traffic is that which does not.

In my opinion, the differences are substantial. For example, all traffic carried on the IXC network is subject to access charges (even when the telephone call is originated and terminated within the same local calling scope). Because access charges apply, all traffic occurring on the IXC network is considered "long distance" for the purposes of inter-carrier compensation. On the other hand, traffic carried on the LEC network may be considered "long distance," or it may be considered "local" in nature. If considered "local," access charges *do not* apply and if traffic occurring on the LEC network is "long distance," intercarrier access charges *do* apply. Even if considered "local," there are instances where no inter-carrier compensation is due, and there are instances of where a "reciprocal compensation" form of inter-carrier compensation is due. The issue in this case involves wireless-originated traffic which is primarily "local" in nature, meaning that the inter-carrier form of compensation is reciprocal compensation, not exchange access.

The differences in IXC and LEC traffic extend beyond the form of intercarrier compensation. For example, IXC traffic terminates over Feature Group "A", "B", or "D" trunking arrangements. LEC traffic occurs over "common" trunks, customarily characterized as Feature Group "C" trunking arrangements.

The differences in IXC and LEC traffic do not conclude with trunking arrangements. In my view, the most significant difference between IXC traffic and LEC traffic is the inter-carrier billing relationship imposed on the terminating carrier. For IXC traffic, the terminating carrier simply bills the long distance carrier, including billing for wireless-originated traffic. Similarly, for any other traffic that is sent to the terminating carrier by the long distance carrier, the terminating carrier simply bills the long distance carrier for that traffic. For LEC traffic, a completely different billing relationship exists. For LEC traffic, the terminating carrier may not bill the "transiting" carrier. Instead, the terminating carrier must bill the carrier responsible for placing the call on the network. Such carriers are sometimes called the "originating" carrier.

From my perspective, the unique billing relationship for transiting traffic occurring on the LEC network represents a significant difference between that traffic and IXC traffic. Unlike IXC traffic, where the long distance carrier is responsible for all traffic (including all forms of third-party traffic, including wireless-originated traffic), transiting carriers are not responsible for any third-party traffic sent to terminating carriers (including wireless-originated traffic). For this reason, CPN should not be used to identify the responsible party for wireless originated traffic occurring on the LEC network.

Q. Do Category 11-01-XX billing records for IXC traffic contain the CPN for wireless-originated calls?

A. Yes. Industry Standard Category 11-01-XX billing records for IXC traffic do contain the "From Number" in bit positions 15 to 24 of the billing record. The

"From Number" is exactly the same as "CPN" for wireless-originated calls. Presence of wireless-originated CPN in billing records of IXC traffic is evident from the Schedules of both Mr. Schoonmaker and Mr. Read. The presence of a "From Number" in the billing records for wireless-originated calls is also self evident from depositions taken, and access tariffs referenced in, Case No. TT-2004-0542.

- Q. Please explain the basis of your conclusion that Mr. Schoonmaker is primarily focusing on the Category 11 records created for IXC traffic.
- A. As I would understand his testimony, Mr. Schoonmaker's position relies on descriptions found in Schedules RCS-3 and RCS-4, and the belief that a "value of 8" in Indicator 9 (indicating cellular originated traffic) would lead to circumstances whereby a full and complete "From Number" should be applied in the Category 11-01-XX billing record. The examples shown in RCS-2 (page 3-296) pertain to access traffic, carried over Feature Group "A", "B", "C", and "D" trunking arrangements, as applied to message telephone service (MTS) (also known as "long distance" service).

Mr. Schoonmaker's examples do not acknowledge that the traffic recording at issue in this case is not access traffic; rather, the traffic at issue in this case is primarily subject to reciprocal compensation (with the sole exception of individually negotiated interMTA factors). Mr. Schoonmaker's testimony omits the fact that the traffic recording at issue in this case is not subject to an IXC billing relationship; rather, the traffic at issue in this case is subject to a LEC

¹ RE: In the Matter of Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri's Proposed Revision to Its PSC Mo. No. 36 Access Service Tariff.

billing relationship. Lastly, Mr. Schoonmaker's testimony omits any acknowledgement that the traffic recording at issue in this case is not "long distance;" rather, the traffic at issue in this case is primarily "local" in nature. For these reasons, I would respectfully disagree with Mr. Schoonmaker that RCS-2, 3, and 4 demonstrate a requirement that Category 11-01-XX billing records contain CPN for wireless-originated calls occurring over the LEC-to-LEC network.

- Q. Please explain the basis for your conclusion that Mr. Read's testimony primarily focuses on the billing records created for LEC traffic.
- A. Mr. Read states that CPN "has never been included in the industry standard Category 11-01-XX EMI billing record for wireless originated traffic" (page 10, line 5); and that CPN "was never part of AMA" and is "not available" for the creation of EMI records (page 10, line 9); and that CPN is not a required field in EMI category 11-01-XX records (page 20, line 21). Clearly, as reflected in his own Schedule 5, these statements by Mr. Read are not applicable to IXC carried Feature Group "A", "B", or "D" access recordings because the "From Number" appears in bit positions 15 to 24 of the Category 11-01-XX record for IXC access traffic. Such statements form the basis for my conclusion that Mr. Read's statements are applicable only as they pertain to wireless-originated traffic that traverses the LEC network.
- Q. Does Mr. Constable's testimony provide clarification on the apparent disparity between the conclusions drawn by Mr. Schoonmaker and Mr. Read?

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A. Yes, significant clarity can be found in Mr. Constable's testimony. In particular, beginning at line 6, on page 9, of Mr. Constable's Direct Testimony he describes how the switches of local exchange carriers use unique AMA (Automatic Message Accounting) standards for the different types of compensable calls occurring over the network. Mr. Constable describes the role of Telcordia in establishing the switch standards, and the role of the Ordering and Billing Forum ("OBF") in establishing the EMI standards. His testimony expresses the need for consistency among the two standards bodies. In doing so, Mr. Constable's testimony demonstrates how both Mr. Schoonmaker and Mr. Read can offer the same data, and seemingly reach different conclusions. One witness, Mr. Schoonmaker, observes the data from the general standpoint of wireless-originated access traffic, and questions why CPN is not similarly recorded for wireless-originated reciprocal compensation traffic. This observation is lacking because it focuses on EMI standards for wireless-originated access traffic on the one hand, while ignoring AMA switch recordings for wireless-originated LEC traffic on the other hand. The other witness, Mr. Read. observes the data from the general standpoint of wireless-originated reciprocal compensation traffic, and questions the need for CPN to be recorded in that environment, even though wireless CPN is recorded for IXC access traffic. This observation is lacking because it focuses on both AMA and EMI recordings for wireless-originated LEC traffic on the one hand, while ignoring AMA and EMI recordings for wireless-originated IXC traffic on the other hand. In my view, the testimony of each witnesses somewhat neglects to give a complete picture of the

- Q. Mr. Constable makes statements such as: "[T]hose [AMA and Telcordia] standards also do not require the inclusion of CPN in the AMA recordings for wireless-originated calls." What is your response?
- A. As demonstrated in Case No. TT-2004-0542, such is clearly not the case for the IXC access traffic occurring over Feature Group trunks. Mr. Constable was a participant in Case No. TT-2004-0542 and I would caution against taking any single statement of his testimony outside the complete text.
 - Q. Does this conclude your Rebuttal Testimony?
 - A. Yes, it does.

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