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REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

OF

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1 2 3 4 5 REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF ROBERT C. SCHOONMAKER 6 7 8 **BACKGROUND OF WITNESS** 10 Q. Please state your name and address. 11 A. My name is Robert C. Schoonmaker. My business address is 2270 La Montana 12 Way, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80918. 13 14 Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity? 15 A. I am President and CEO of GVNW Consulting, Inc., a consulting firm 16 specializing in working with small telephone companies. 17 18 Are you the same Robert C. Schoonmaker that previously filed direct testimony in Q. 19 this case? 20 A. Yes. 21 22 Q. What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony? 23 A. I will respond to the testimony of AT&T-Missouri (AT&T) witnesses Mr. Read 24 and Mr. Constable regarding the industry standards established for wireless 25 originated billing records. I will challenge their assertions as to these industry 26 standards as they relate to the rule adopted by the Commission. I will respond to 27 the testimony of Staff Witness Mr. Voight. Finally, I will present testimony

1		responding to the evidence presented by Mr. Read and Mr. Constable that is more
2		appropriate to the second phase of this proceeding, should one be necessary.
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4	REQ	UIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION'S RULE
5	Q.	Is there any disagreement among the various parties' witnesses as to whether the
6		Commission rule requires the provision of Category 11-01-XX records?
7	A.	There is not. Each of the witnesses acknowledges that 4 CSR 29.040(4) requires
8		AT&T Missouri to provide Category 11-01-XX records.
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10	Q.	Is there disagreement between AT&T Missouri and the STCG/MITG regarding
11		the document that establishes the industry standard for the Category 11-01-XX
12		records?
13	A.	There is not. We both agree that the Ordering and Billing Forum's (OBF)
14		Enhanced Message Interface (EMI) document is the appropriate document
15		establishing the standards for the Category 11-01-XX records. Both Mr. Read
16		and I provided the same pages from the same version of this document as
17		Schedules or Attachments to our testimony showing the description of the
18		Category 11-01-01 record.
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20	Q.	Does this record have a field in it for the From Number?
21	A.	It does. It is shown in Positions 15-24 of the Category 11-01-01 record as shown
22		in HC Schedule RCS-2, page 1, and Read Schedule 6(P). I provided as HC
23		Schedule RCS-3 the definition from the EMI manual of the From Number. I

1 believe this is the same number that is described in the Commission's Rule as the 2 Calling Party Number (CPN). It is the number of the party originating the call.

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- 4 Q. Is this field in the Category 11-01-01 record a required field?
- 5 A. Based on my review of the EMI documentation it clearly is. In the opening 6 section of the EMI document giving General Description items, Section 1.4 7 describes Shading Requirements. As can be seen from HC Schedule RCS-5 8 attached to this testimony which is Page 1-1 of the EMI document, the document 9 states, "Shaded fields are not required..." and that "Unshaded fields are required 10 and therefore will contain information based on the field definition." Therefore, I 11 conclude that since the From Number field is unshaded in the Category 11-01-01 12 record, it is a required field.

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- 14 Q. Where does the information regarding the shading of fields appear for the Category 11-01-01 record?
- While for many of the records the shading appears on the face of the record 16 A. 17 format, for the Category 11-01-01 record the "shading" is documented by a matrix at the bottom of the previous page as shown on Page 1 of HC Schedule 18 19 RCS-2 and on Read Schedule 7(P). The sentence before the matrix states, "The 20 matrix below lists what fields are shaded on the 11-01-01 based on Feature 21 Group. A value of X in a given column means that the field is shaded for that 22 Feature Group." In the matrix immediately below that, the From Number field

1		(Positions 15-24) is not listed. This indicates that the From Number field is a
2		required field for all Feature Groups and uses of the record.
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4	Q.	Does the EMI documentation support the assertion stated by the AT&T witnesses
5		that the Category 11-01-01 record that AT&T Missouri produces is an industry
6		standard record when it does not contain the From Number for wireless calls?
7	A.	It does not. The EMI documentation clearly illustrates that the From Number
8		field is a required field in the Category 11-01-01 record.
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10	Q.	Does this contradict the assertion of Mr. Read on Page 20, Lines 21-23, that CPN
11		is not a required field in the Category 11-01-01 record?
12	A.	It does, unless Mr. Read is relying on terminology differences. Technically the
13		Category 11-10-01 record requires the From Number not CPN. But AT&T
14		Missouri is not providing the From Number in that field in their wireless records,
15		so AT&T's records are deficient in this regard.
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17	Q.	Do the AT&T witnesses make any comment related to 4 CSR 29.040(6) which
18		specifically prohibits replacing the originating telephone number of the end user
19		with any other number?
20	A.	They do not. This section of the Rule specifically prohibits replacing the end
21		user's originating number with some other number including in the Category 11-
22		01-XX records referenced in 4 CSR 29.040(4)(a) as AT&T Missouri is currently
23		doing in the non-standard Category 11-01-XX records they provide.

INDUSTRY STANDARD FOR AMA RECORDING

2	Q.	One of the arguments that Mr. Read and Mr. Constable put forward is that the
3		industry standard AMA record for wireless calls does not contain the From
4		Number and therefore it is not available to AT&T Missouri to put in the Category
5		11-01-01 record. Do you see flaws in this argument?
6	A.	I do. On Page 10 of his direct testimony Mr. Constable quotes from the Telcordia
7		GR 1504 document that the Originating Number field "shall contain the per-
8		trunk-group billing number of the WSP". He apparently concludes that the AMA
9		record will not contain the actual originating number, and it is therefore
10		unavailable to be used in the Category 11-01-01 record. However, Mr. Constable
11		ignores other parts of that document which show that the AMA is required to
12		contain that information in other parts of the record.
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14	Q.	Do you have any disagreement with Mr. Constable that the Telcordia GR 1504
15		document is an industry standard document for the AMA recording of wireless
16		calls?
17	A.	I do not, but I do have disagreements with Mr. Constable's conclusions based on
18		this one requirement (R3-85) of the document. There are other parts of that
19		document which are relevant to what is required in an AMA record.
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21	Q.	Does the Telcordia GR 1504 document describe the differences between
22		requirements, conditional requirements, and other categories in the AMA record?

A. It does. Referring to Constable Schedule 2(P) which is the Telcordia GR 1504 document, at the top of page 16 of 62, or page 1-4 of the document, there is a description of five different categories of "requirements": (1) requirements, (2) conditional requirements, (3) objectives, (4) conditional objectives, and (5) conditions. Each of these categories has a different lead-in letter or letters to denote which category it falls into. In regard to requirements the document states:

"Requirement – Feature or function that, in the Telcordia view, is necessary to satisfy the needs of a typical facilities-based Local Exchange Carrier (LEC). Failure to meet a requirement may cause application restrictions, result in improper functioning of the product, or hinder operations. A requirement contains the words shall or must and is flagged by the letter "R"." [emphasis in original]

Therefore, if a requirement is identified by the letter "R", it is in fact a required part of the record.

- 17 Q. You mentioned that there were other parts of the Telecordia GR 1504 document
 18 that relate to the capture of CPN information within the AMA record for wireless
 19 carriers. Can you expand on this?
- 20 A. Yes. Mr. Constable quoted part of requirement R3-85 in regard to the Originating
 21 Number field in the AMA record, but that is not the only part of the wireless
 22 record that refers to CPN information. At the top of the page that Mr. Constable
 23 was quoting from (Page 44 of 62 of Constable Schedule 2(P)) and the bottom of
 24 the prior page are listed requirements R3-79 and R3-80. These two requirements
 25 specifically require Module 164 to be appended to the AMA record and that it be
 26 populated with the appropriate data described in requirement R3-59, Table 3-2.

1 The wording of these requirements are "shall append" and "shall populate" 2 respectively. They are requirements. 3 4 Turning now to Pages 39 and 40 of Constable Schedule2(P), the requirements of 5 R3-59 including Table 3-2 require that the system "shall populate" Module Code 164 of the AMA record " with the numbers contained in the parameter(s) of the 6 7 Initial Address Message for SS7 signaling or the ANI for MF signaling..." as 8 described in Table 3-2. In viewing Table 3-2, one can see that if the CPN is 9 included in the SS7 signaling, it is to be recorded in Module Code 164. 10 11 Does Mr. Constable acknowledge that AT&T Missouri receives the CPN in calls Q. 12 for which SS7 signaling is provided? 13 A. Mr. Constable acknowledges that is the case for the majority of the calls they 14 receive and indicates AT&T Missouri's compliance with 4 CSR 29.040(1) and (2) 15 which require originators to provide CPN and transiting carriers to transmit it 16 along the network. Thus, AT&T Missouri acknowledges that CPN is available (at 17 least for the vast majority of calls) in their network so that it could be recorded. 18 The AMA recording requirements as evidenced by Constable Schedule 2(P) 19 require this information to be recorded in the AMA record. Thus, under the 20 standards documents it should be available to AT&T Missouri's billing system to

include in the Category 11-01-01 records required by 4 CSR 29.040(4).

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- Q. Do the requirements in **R3-85**, **R3-79**, and **R3-80** all apply to calls terminating from a wireless service provider (WSP) to a tandem switch?
- 3 A. Yes. These requirements all fall in Section 3.8.2 of the document (see Page 43 of
- 4 62, Constable Schedule 2(P)) which describes these records as records generated
- 5 at a tandem switch from Type 2A connections terminating to the LEC from a
- 6 WSP (wireless service provider).

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THE COMMISSION'S INTENT AT THE TIME THE RULES WERE ISSUED

- 9 Q. In addition to the specific requirements in the Commission Rules and standards
- documents for Category 11-01-XX records, did the Commission indicate its intent
- that the originating CPN be provided in addition to the identification of the
- 12 carrier?
- 13 A. Yes. Mr. Read attempts to argue that the AT&T Missouri record (which does not
- 14 contain the originating telephone number of the end user) complies with the
- 15 "intent" of the Commission Rule (Read direct, p. 20, lines 17-19). Mr. Read
- argues this is the case because the Title of 4 CSR 29.040 and the Purpose of the
- 17 rule only refer to the identification of a carrier. I do not agree that the Title and
- Purpose of the rules are the only part of the rule that indicates the Commission's
- intent. 4 CSR 29.040(1) and (2) specifically require the provision of "originating
- 20 caller information" and 4 CSR 29.040(6) requires the provision of the "originating
- 21 telephone number" of the end user originating the call. These rules make clear
- the Commission's intent that more than the identification of the originating carrier
- is to be provided. Furthermore, this Chapter of the Commission's Rules is

entitled the "Enhanced" Record Exchange Rule. Presumably, the Rule was intended to enhance the records the small rural ILECs were receiving prior to the rule. Without inclusion of CPN or the From Number in the billing records for wireless calls, the rule would provide little or no enhancement in the record.

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- Q. At the time the Commission issued its Final Order of Rulemaking did the
 Commission further make clear its intent that the Category 11-01-XX records for
 wireless calls should contain the same information?
 - Yes. Mr. Voight in his testimony (p. 12) quotes two paragraphs from the Commission's Final Order of Rulemaking that clearly state the Commission's intent that CPN be provided in the records related to wireless calls. Further, Mr. Voight states that the Staff agreed with that determination at the time that the Order was issued. It was only several months later, in October, 2005 that Staff came to a different opinion. It is clear from both the Order itself and from Mr. Voight's testimony that at the time the Order was issued, it was the intent of the Commission in implementing the rule that CPN be provided in the wireless records. As I have further shown, these statements simply confirm the requirements of the EMI document that establishes the industry standard for the Category 11-01-XX record which is also required by the Commission Rules.

THE IMPORTANCE OF CPN

2	Q.	In his Direct Testimony (pp. 24, Lines 24-25), Mr. Constable states that "CPN is
3		valuable for providing Caller ID services as well as assisting in lawful intercepts
4		and 911 services." Do you agree that CPN is only valuable for those purposes?
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6	A.	No. CPN is valuable for other purposes as well. Indeed, as explained by Staff
7		witness Voight, the ability to identify end users permits terminating carriers to
8		determine the originator of the calls and to verify the end users' wireless carriers.
9		He further states:
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19		"In many instances (but not all instances), knowing the CPN will assist the terminating carrier in verifying the proper jurisdiction of wireless-originated telephone calls. Billing records that contain CPN of wireless-originated calls can aid terminating carriers in establishing practices which reveal network usage. In my opinion, the lack of CPN within the billing record restricts, perhaps severely, the ability of terminating carriers to insitute general network auditing guidelines." (Voight Direct Testimony, page 6, lines 10-16)
20	Q.	Has AT&T Missouri recognized the usefulness of CPN in wireless records in
21		other venues?
22	A.	Yes. In other cases where AT&T Missouri is the terminating carrier it has
23		forcefully argued that the information required by this rule is necessary in order to
24		bill for wireless traffic. On August 11, 2005, SBC filed a Notice of Ex Parte in
25		Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") Docket No. 01-92 in which it
26		discussed SBC's position on phantom traffic and a proposed solution. I have
27		attached this filing as Schedule RCS-6 of my testimony. In this filing, SBC urged
28		the FCC to establish rules requiring adequate and appropriate call signaling. SBC

1	further stated that carriers require call detail information to bill usage-based
2	charges to other carriers and that to bill the correct rate a carrier must know the
3	jurisdiction of the call derived from the calling and called party numbers. SBC
4	suggested that the proposed rule include a provision requiring that, where
5	technically feasible, originating carriers shall transmit calling party number and
6	transmitting carriers shall transmit calling party number information as received. 1
7	Thus, in this context, AT&T Missouri argued that CPN should be required to
8	assist in determining call jurisdiction.
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10	In another FCC case, AT&T Missouri has filed public pleadings in which it stated
11	that it was entitled to rely upon the information CPN provides for purposes of
12	billing for wireless traffic. ² In that case, AT&T Missouri characterized the
13	provision of ANI (recognized by the ERE rule as another term for CPN) in order
14	to determine call jurisdiction as a "standard industry practice" for years:
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¹SBC Notice of Ex Parte, Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, CC Docket No. 01-92, August 11, 2005 (emphasis added), p. 13.

²In the Matter of SBC Communications Inc. Petition for Declaratory Ruling Concerning Terminating Switched Access Charges for Wireless-Originated Calls, FCC WCB Docket No. 04-424, filed November 12, 2004. SBC filed a petition for declaratory judgment with the FCC in which it relied upon the inclusion of CPN. The FCC request was the result of a referral from the United States District Court of the Eastern District of Missouri. There was litigation in the Eastern District between SBC and Global Crossings. The issue at the heart of the litigation was whether interexchange carriers delivering wireless traffic to SBC were obliged to provide the originating telephone number of the calling party. The originating telephone number is referred to as ANI (automatic number identification), or as CPN (calling party number). SBC asked the FCC to declare that, in the absence of accurate and reliable information as to originating caller location, SBC's access tariffs permitted SBC to use the telephone number of the calling party to ascertain the jurisdiction of the call.

1 Because long distance carriers provide no other information to local 2 carriers as to the geographic location of wireless subscribers who 3 place or receive telephone calls, it has been standard industry 4 practice for years to use calling and called party telephone 5 numbers to determine the jurisdiction of, and thus appropriate access charges for, wireless originated calls."3 6 7 8 Thus, AT&T Missouri's position in this case is in direct contradiction to its 9 position before the FCC in a case where it believed that CPN was necessary for its 10 own use. 11 12 Q. In his testimony Mr. Voight states that CPN is not a reliable jurisdictional 13 indicator for wireless calls in all instances (p. 8, lines 7-8). Do you agree with 14 that statement? 15 Yes, I agree that CPN is not always a reliable jurisdictional indicator for wireless A. 16 calls because of the mobility of the wireless customer. However, it is better than 17 any other information that is currently available. Mr. Voight states that CPN should only be used in establishing general auditing guidelines, such as using 18 19 CPN to monitor billing records to determine if there are excessive amounts of 20 interstate, interMTA wireless-originated calls being terminated over local 21 interconnection trunks instead of access trunks. Calling party number information 22 was used by Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company ("Mark Twain") in 23 performing a traffic study to determine that 70% of the traffic from T-Mobile

³SBC's Petition for Declaratory Ruling, Docket No. WCB 04-424, p. iv (emphasis added).

1		callers that terminated to the Mark Twain exchanges was interMTA. ⁴ In a
2		subsequent arbitration case involving Alma Telephone Company ("Alma") the
3		Commission accepted the validity of this method of determining the jurisdiction
4		of wireless traffic terminated to the companies. The Commission stated,
5 6 7 8 9		"The BPS decision is guidance for the Commission's accepting the validity of the studies that Chariton Valley, Mid-Missouri, and Northeast submitted. The Commission accepted the methodology of an NPA-NXX study to ascertain traffic jurisdiction."
10		As was aptly stated by Mr. Voight:
11 12 13 14 15		"knowledge of who is using the telephone network is simply a good business practice. Moreover, <i>omission</i> of CPN in billing records restricts the ability of terminating carriers to employ reasonable practices designed to obtain such knowledge." (Voight Direct Testimony, page 8-9)
17	Q.	In Staff witness Mr. Voight's testimony (p. 6, lines 14-18) he states that the "only
18		potential ramification" of not including CPN in the Category 11-01-XX billing
19		records is the possible loss of the ability to "institute general network auditing
20		guidelines." Do you agree that this is the only ability that is lost without CPN in
21		the Category 11-01-XX billing records?
22	A.	No. I believe the ramifications are greater than that. One of the lessons learned
23		from the network test that was conducted by the industry and described in the
24		testimony in Case No TO-99-593 was that human errors in instructing switches to

⁴BPS Telephone Company, et al. v. Voicestream Wireless Corporation et al., TC-2002-1077, Report and Order issued January 27, 2005, pp. 25, 29.

⁵In the Matter of the Petition of Alma Telephone Company for Arbitration of Unresolved Issues Pertaining to a Section 251(b)(5) Agreement with T-Mobile USA, Inc., Case No. IO-2005-0468, Arbitration Report issued October 6, 2005, page 10.

record traffic can cause serious "phantom traffic" problems. It was during that test that the error that AT&T Missouri (then SWBT) made in programming its Ericcson switches was revealed. In that test there was also a single trunk group in the SWBT switch in Sikeston that was identified as not generating billing records. A key element in identifying these problems was making "record-by-record" comparisons of records recorded at the terminating switch with the billing records received from the tandem switch. Having the originating number (CPN or From Number) in both of these records facilitates making these comparisons so that the source of missing billing records can be identified. A lack of the CPN in the wireless Category 11-01-XX records makes a valid comparison of those records to records recorded at the end office more difficult. At the top of Page 7 of his testimony, Mr. Voight discusses how the fictitious number that AT&T Missouri places in the From Number field can be used to identify the originating wireless carrier. Is it necessary to have this fictitious number in the From Number field to identify that carrier? No. Both the EMI documentation (Read, Schedule 6(P)) and the SBC Accessible Letters (Read, Schedules 2, 3, and 4) identify that the Originating Carrier can be identified by the Originating OCN number in Positions 167-170 of the Category 11-01-XX records. There is no need to have a fictitious number in the From

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Number field in order to identify the responsible carrier.

1	Q.	In his Direct Testimony, Mr. Read states that "no party's written comments in the
2		rulemaking indicated an understanding that the rule included such a [CPN]
3		requirement." Do you agree with this statement?
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5	A.	No. On October 29, 2004, Mr. Johnson wrote to Leo Bub, counsel for AT&T, to
6		express the small companies' concerns with the new wireless records. One of the
7		concerns raised by Mr. Johnson was that the records did not comply with the
8		proposed ERE Rule. Among the specific concerns raised by Mr. Johnson was the
9		fact that the wireless records did not contain CPN:
10 11 12 13 14 15		Consistent with Category 11 record formats, the small companies expected the new record would provide the originating caller's number. The failure to provide the calling party number contradicts the current draft of the Enhanced Record Exchange Rule. ¹
16		A copy of this correspondence is included as Schedule RCS-7, and it
17		demonstrates the small companies' understanding that the ERE Rule would
18		require CPN for wireless calls.
19		Later, in the Supporting Comments of the Missouri Independent
20		Telephone Company Group, the MITG expressed its support for the ERE rule and
21		explained why it was necessary. The MITG stated at page 12 of its Comments
22		that despite being promised an "IXC-type" record in place of the CTUSR, the
23		companies found that, "Instead of providing the caller's number [as had been
24		promised], the new record simply puts in an assigned number representing the
25		CMRS provider." The MITG further stated, "Thus when the new 'IXC' record is

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retrieved and assimilated, it provides no more information with respect to traffic

¹ See Schedule RCS-6, E-mail correspondence from Craig Johnson to Leo Bub dated Oct. 29, 2004.

1 jurisdiction than did the CTUSR. This record deficiency means the terminating 2 LEC cannot reconcile traffic, and therefore cannot identify what carriers are 3 failing to record and pay for traffic." 4 At the hearing in Case No. TX-2003-0301, Mr. Johnson again explained 5 the problem with what the companies thought was going to be an "IXC-type" 6 wireless record from AT&T Missouri. He stated: 7 8 [W]e realized that that record was not providing us with the calling party 9 number either. In lieu of that calling party number, it was giving us a single 10 phone number associated with a particular wireless carrier, so that as a result 11 of the new records, we still have basically the same information that we 12 were receiving under the CTUSR, which was a total number of minutes that 13 was terminating from a particular wireless carrier. 14 15 Because of the absence of the CPN, we did not get the information that would have helped us jurisdictionalize the traffic. (Transcript, pp. 77-78) 16 17 18 These correspondence, comments, and statements clearly show that the 19 terminating companies did address the issue of CPN in the wireless billing records 20 during the rulemaking proceeding and clearly believed that the rule required its 21 inclusion, since the "IXC-type" records being provided by AT&T Missouri had 22 failed to provide that information. 23 24 Q. Mr. Read provided Read Schedules 2-4 as attachments to his testimony showing 25 the correspondence AT&T Missouri (then SBC) provided regarding the 26 replacement of the CTUSR records with the Category 11-01-XX records. Did 27 this correspondence give any indication that the From Number in these records 28 was not the actual originating number of the party making the call?

1	A.	They do not. There is no mention that the From Number would contain a
2		fictitious number identifying a carrier rather than the end user originating the call.
3		In fact, the April 22, 2004 letter (Read Schedule 3) implies that the record format
4		would be the same as the IXC records that were implemented in 2002, records
5		which do contain the actual From Number of the originating end user. ²
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7	ISSU	ES RELATED TO PHASE II OF THIS PROCEEDING
8	Q.	Has the STCG/MITG filed a motion to strike portions of the testimony of Staff
9		Witness Voight and the AT&T witnesses?
10	A.	Yes. The motion has been filed because some portions of the testimony of those
11		witnesses do not, in the opinion of the STCG/MITG, address the issue of whether
12		the current Commission Rule requires the provision of CPN, but rather address
13		the issue of whether AT&T Missouri should be granted a waiver of the rule if it
14		does, in fact, require CPN to be provided in the Category 11-01-XX records.
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16	Q.	Have you prepared rebuttal testimony to some of the testimony that the
17		STCG/MITG proposes be stricken?
18	A.	Yes. The motion was only filed recently and has not been acted upon by the
19		Commission. The testimony following is offered as rebuttal testimony to the
20		testimony that the STCG/MITG proposes be stricken. Should the Commission
21		rule in favor of the STCG/MITG motion, the following testimony will be
22		withdrawn by the STCG/MITG.

² See Read Schedule 3, Second Paragraph – "The format for these records will be the standard ATIS/OBF EMI Category 11-01-XX mechanized detail call record that was implemented on IXC traffic beginning August 2002."

1	Q.	Mr. Read argues that AT&T Missouri should be allowed to continue to provide
2		the records they do currently because other carriers provide them that way around
3		the country. Specifically, he indicates on page 20, line 11, that Sprint Missouri
4		provides records in the same manner as AT&T does. Do you have information to
5		challenge that characterization?
6	A.	Yes. While Sprint Missouri may have done that in the past, Sprint has modified
7		its systems to produce the appropriate records in compliance with the
8		Commission's rules. In an e-mail dated March 14, 2006 to Mr. Randy Boyd of
9		Kingdom Telephone Company, Gary Manderfeld of Sprint stated the following:
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11 12 13 14 15 16 17	,	Sprint Nextel implemented a process on 3/3 where the trunk groups on both the CLEC and Wireless trunks are recording the module 164, which provides the charge or calling party number. Kingdom will see the originating number populated with the true calling party/charge party number and the originating OCN will also be populated on the next set of files they receive 3/31.
18	Q.	Do you draw any inferences from Sprint Missouri's ability to comply with the
19	,	Commission's Rule in relationship to AT&T Missouri's testimony about the
20		burden they will have to bear to accomplish the same task?
21	A.	Yes. I would note that Sprint ILEC operations are substantially smaller than
22		AT&T's. If Sprint can accomplish this change and absorb it within their much
23		smaller operation, it raises questions in my mind as to how significant it would be
24		for AT&T to achieve the same objective in its much larger operation, particularly
25		when it would appear to put AT&T in compliance with the industry standard EMI
26		requirements and the AMA requirements as shown in Constable Schedule 2(P).

1 Q. On Page 22 of AT&T Witness Read's testimony he indicates that AT&T is 2 opposed to being required to provide CPN because that requirement is not an 3 industry standard and because AT&T would be required to pay a substantial 4 amount of money to provide that capability in its switches and billing processes. 5 What are your comments in regard to these concerns? 6 A. While both Mr. Read and Mr. Constable state several times that the current 7 records they provide are in compliance with industry standards and that changing 8 them would make the records non-standard, the standard industry documentation 9 shows just the opposite. My direct testimony and this rebuttal testimony 10 demonstrate that the From Number is a required field in the Category 11-01-XX 11 billing record. I have also demonstrated that the requirements of the Telcordia 12 GR-1504 AMA standard for wireless records require the CPN information to be 13 recorded by the switch, contrary to Mr. Cosntable's assertions. Thus, complying

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Secondly, while the \$1 million that Mr. Read indicates AT&T would have to pay Lucent Technologies is not an insubstantial amount of money in many contexts, in the context of AT&T's total operations, it is a relatively small figure. For example, the 2005 AT&T Inc. annual report indicates that AT&T had total operating expenses of \$37.7 billion. An expenditure of \$1 million thus equates to approximately 3 thousandths of one percent (.003%) of AT&T's operating

with the Commission's rule to include the From Number or CPN in the Category

11-01-XX record will cause AT&T-Missouri to come into compliance with the

industry standard rules for both billing and AMA records. It is something they

should be doing even if the Commission Rule did not require it.

expenses. In order to put this expense into perspective, Citizens Telephone

Company of Higginsville, Missouri reported total operating expenses of

\$3,669,606 in its 2005 Annual Report. Applying the same .003% to Citizens

Telephone Company's total operating expenses results in \$110. Thus, for AT&T to incur an expense of \$1 million is roughly equivalent to Citizens Telephone

Company expending \$110. From this perspective, the amount AT&T would be required to expend is not so substantial or burdensome. One also needs to keep in mind that this would allow AT&T in all of its states to come into compliance with the Telcordia GR-1504 AMA standard for wireless records.

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Mr. Constable suggests on Page 15 of his testimony that by the time that AT&T Missouri could meet the requirement to include the From Number in its records, the FCC might change the rules for intercarrier compensation and make those records obsolete. What is your response?

I acknowledge that the FCC is closer now to taking some action on intercarrier compensation than it was when its proceeding started nearly five years ago, but it is still very uncertain when any shanged recovered and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovered and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovered and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovered and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the involvement of a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the still a still be involved as a still very uncertain when any shanged recovering and the still a still be involved as a still very uncertain when a still a stil

is still very uncertain when any changed requirements might be implemented and
what they might entail. I am aware that one of the proposals currently being
discussed in the industry contemplates that rural ILECs would continue to bill
wireless providers under reciprocal compensation requirements that are similar to
today's requirements for several more years. Thus, bringing AT&T Missouri's
records into compliance with the Commission's rules and industry standards as I

1	have discussed would probably be able to be completed and in place for several
2	years before FCC compensation rules might make them less necessary.

- 4 Q. Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony in this phase of this proceeding?
- 5 A. Yes, it does.