

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 6.7 of this Appendix.

- 6.2 The Parties hereby agree that the following rates, terms and conditions set forth in Sections 6.1 through 6.8 shall apply only to the termination of all ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties in each of the applicable state(s) **SBC-13STATE** has made an offer as described in Section 5 above effective on the later of (i) the Effective Date of this Agreement and (ii) the effective date of the offer in the particular state.

6.3 Intercarrier Compensation for all ISP-Bound Traffic

- 6.3.1 The rates, terms, conditions in Sections 6.2 through 6.6 apply only to the termination of all ISP-Bound Traffic as defined in Section 6.1 above and ISP-Bound Traffic.
- 6.3.2 The Parties agree to compensate each other for the transport and termination of all ISP-Bound Traffic on a minute of use basis, at \$.0007 per minute of use
- 6.3.3 Payment of Intercarrier Compensation on ISP-Bound Traffic will not vary according to whether the traffic is routed through a tandem switch or directly to an end office switch.

6.4 ISP-Bound Traffic Rebuttable Presumption

- 6.4.1 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 exceeding a 3:1 terminating to originating ratio is presumed to be ISP-Bound Traffic subject to the compensation in this Section 6.0. 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 and, in addition, shall be utilized to determine the appropriate true-up as described below. During the pendency of any such proceedings to rebut the presumption, the Parties will remain obligated to pay the presumptive rates (the rates set forth in Section 5 for traffic below a 3:1 ratio, the rates set forth in Section 6.3.2 for traffic above the ratio) subject to a true-up upon the conclusion of such proceedings. Such true-up shall be retroactive back to the date a Party first sought appropriate relief from the Commission.

- 6.5 For combined Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties which does not exceed a 3:1 terminating to originating ratio as set forth in Section 6.7 above, such traffic shall be defined as "In-Balance" traffic. Each party will invoice the other party on a monthly basis for such "In-Balance" traffic at the reciprocal compensation rates set forth in Section 5.0 for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation rate set forth in Section 6.3.2 for ISP-Bound Traffic for such "In-Balance" traffic.

- 6.5.1 For combined Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties exceeding a 3:1 terminating to originating ratio as set forth in Section 6.7 above, such traffic shall be defined as "Out-of-Balance" traffic. The Carrier whose traffic is "Out-of-Balance" will, on a monthly basis, calculate the amount of traffic that will be invoiced as follows: (1) for Section 251(b)(5) traffic, the rates shall be the reciprocal compensation rates set forth in Section 5.0; (2) for ISP-Bound Traffic, the rates shall be the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation rates set forth in Section 6.3.2.

## 7. OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS TRAFFIC

7.1 Except as set forth in section 6 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.

7.2 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" 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.

7.2.1 FX Traffic is **Section 251 (b)(5) Traffic in the exchange where the dial tone is received and 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 MISSOURI AND SBC OKLAHOMA. Section 5.**

7.2.1.1 To the extent that ISP-Bound Traffic is provisioned via an FX-type arrangement, such traffic is subject to a Bill and Keep arrangement. **Section 6 for traffic terminated in the exchange where the FX dial tone is received.** "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.

7.2.2 Pursuant to the Texas Commission Arbitration Award in Docket 24015, the Oklahoma Commission Arbitration Award in AT&T Arbitration Cause No. PUD 200000587, Order No. 449960 and the Connecticut Commission order in Docket No. 01-01-29, the transport and termination compensation for Virtual FX, Dedicated FX, and FX-type Traffic will be originating access charges in **SBC TEXAS, SBC OKLAHOMA and SBC CONNECTICUT**

7.2.2.1 To the extent that ISP-Bound Traffic is provisioned via an FX-type arrangement, such traffic is subject to originating access charges in **SBC OKLAHOMA** and a bill and keep arrangement in **SBC TEXAS** and **SBC CONNECTICUT**.

7.3 Private Line Services include private line-like and special access services and are not subject to intercarrier compensation. Private Line Services are defined as dedicated Telecommunications channels provided between two points or switched among multiple points and are used for voice, data, audio or video transmission. Private Line services include, but are not limited to, WATS access lines.

7.4 The Parties recognize and agree that ISP and Internet traffic (excluding ISP-Bound Traffic as defined in Section 6.1) 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 5 and 6 above not apply, including but not limited to ISP calls that fit the underlying Agreement's definitions of:

- **FX Traffic**

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

7.5 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 5 and 6 above do not apply. The applicable rates, terms and conditions for: (a) **FX Traffic** are set forth in Section 7.2; (b) Optional EAS Traffic are set forth in Section 8; (c) 8YY Traffic are set forth in Section 11; (d) Feature Group A Traffic are set forth in Section 7.2; (e) Feature Group D Traffic are set forth in Section 13; (f) IntraLATA Toll Traffic are set forth in Section 14; and/or (g) InterLATA Traffic are set forth in Section 13.

## 8. **OPTIONAL CALLING AREA TRAFFIC – SBC ARKANSAS, SBC KANSAS, AND SBC TEXAS**

- 8.1 In accordance with SBC ARKANSAS, SBC KANSAS and SBC TEXAS tariffs, Optional EAS, also known as Optional Calling Area Traffic, is defined as a service which enlarges a customer's local calling scope and permits subscribers between exchanges that are contiguous or that are contained within a continuous boundary, to call each other for an additional monthly charge. Extended Area Calling Service (EACS) plans may be either one-way or two way. The Optional EAS compensation rate applies to all terminating traffic for calls to and from end users physically located in specific areas designated as Commission approved Optional EAS route(s) in accordance with SBC ARKANSAS', SBC KANSAS' and SBC TEXAS' tariffs. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Optional EAS compensation rate shall not apply to FX Traffic.
- 8.2 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.
- 8.3 The state specific OCA Transport and Termination rates are outlined in Appendix Pricing.

## 9. **MCA TRAFFIC -- SBC MISSOURI**

- 9.1 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 either Section 251(b)(5) Traffic or ISP-Bound 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.
- 9.1.1 Either party providing Metropolitan Calling Area (MCA) service shall offer the full calling scope prescribed in Case No. TO-92-306, according to the terms of the MCA Orders 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.
- 9.1.2 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.

- 9.2 To the extent required by the Missouri Public Service Commission in Case NO. TO-99-483, 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.
- 9.3 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**.

## 10. PRIMARY TOLL CARRIER ARRANGEMENTS

- 10.1 A Primary Toll Carrier (PTC) is a company that provides IntraLATA Toll Service for its own end user customers and potentially for a third party ILEC's end user customers. In this third party ILEC arrangement, the PTC would receive the third party ILEC end user intraLATA toll traffic revenues and pay the third party 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 third party 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 as the terminating carrier 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 access rates as set forth in **SBC-13STATE's** Intrastate Access Service Tariff. CLEC shall pay the third party ILEC for the termination of such traffic originated from CLEC.

## 11. INTRALATA 800 TRAFFIC

- 11.1 Until and unless a new industry format is required by the Ordering and Billing Forum, 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. The Parties agree to provide this data to each other at no charge on a monthly basis. 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.
- 11.2 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.
- 11.3 For IntraLATA 8YY Traffic offered as a toll free service call that has been translated to a Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) routable number via the toll free data base that is exchanged between CLEC and **SBC 13STATE** in which the originating end user of one Party and the terminating end user of the other

Party are both physically located in the same local or mandatory local calling area, such traffic will be subject to compensation defined in Section 5.0 for the termination of Section 251(b)(5) Traffic or ISP-Bound traffic pursuant to the terms and conditions of the FCC terminating compensation plan as defined in Section 6.0, in addition to the applicable originating access charges as defined in the parties' respective access tariffs.

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

- 12.1 Intercarrier compensation for Switched Access Traffic shall be on a Meet Point Billing ("MPB") basis as described below.
- 12.2 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. **To the extent that CLEC is unable to provide records formatted according to the MECOD and MECB guidelines, the Parties agree to explore additional options regarding the assembling, recording and editing of message detail records necessary to allow for accurate billing of traffic.**
- 12.3 Billing for the Switched Exchange Access Services jointly provided by the Parties via MPB arrangements shall be according to the multiple bill/**multiple 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.
- 12.4 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.
- 12.5 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.
- 12.6 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.
- 12.7 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.
- 12.8 **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.
- 12.9 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 the most recent consecutive six (6) months of prior usage data.

## 13. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

#### 14. INTRALATA TOLL TRAFFIC COMPENSATION

- 14.1 For intrastate intraLATA toll traffic, compensation for termination of intercompany 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.**
- 14.2 For interstate intraLATA intercompany service traffic, compensation for termination of intercompany 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.

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

- 15.1 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.
- 15.1.1 Where a terminating CLEC is not technically capable of billing the originating carrier through the use of its own terminating records, SBC-13STATE will make available **at no charge** to the terminating CLEC appropriate category records that SBC-13STATE has available, for the purposes of billing intercarrier compensation.
- 15.1.2 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 or the obligation of SBC-13STATE to exchange the appropriate category of records with other LECs.
- 15.1.3 Where CLEC is using terminating recordings to bill intercarrier compensation, SBC 12-STATE 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 12-STATE non-resale offering whereby SBC 12-STATE 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.
- 15.2 For those usage based charges where actual charge information is not determinable by SBC 2-STATE 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.
- 15.2.1 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 days 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.

- 15.3 **Intentionally Omitted** *Neither party is under any obligation to terminate traffic from a third party which does not contain CPN without compensation. For such Traffic the originating party for the reasons of compensation shall be the party handing off the traffic.*
- 15.4 The measurement of minutes of use over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups shall be in actual conversation seconds. The total actual 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.
- 15.5 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 the most recent consecutive six (6) of prior usage data.

## 16. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS AND SPECIFIC INTERVENING LAW TERMS

- 16.1 In the event the pricing scheme in the FCC's Interim ISP Compensation Order (defined in Section 5.2 of this Attachment) is modified, eliminated or replaced, then the Parties agree to negotiate an appropriate amendment to conform to such change in accordance with the Intervening Law provisions of this Agreement and such new or changed provisions will apply on a prospective basis, beginning with the effective date of the new order, unless a determination is made as to retroactive application in the decision rendering such modification, elimination or replacement, in which instance, the new or changed provisions will apply retroactively as set forth in the new order. Either Party may begin billing the other Party according to the terms of the new order, beginning sixty (60) days after delivering a request to negotiate the change. True-up of any retroactive application, for either the amendment negotiation period and/or for the retroactive application period provided in the order, shall occur within one hundred and twenty (120) days of the effective date of the order, or be subject to dispute under Section 9 of the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.
- 16.2 **Intentionally Omitted**
- 16.3 **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.
- 16.4 Should a regulatory agency, court or legislature change or nullify the **SBC-13STATE's** designated date to begin billing under the FCC's ISP terminating compensation plan, then the Parties also agree that any necessary billing true ups, reimbursements, or other accounting adjustments shall be made symmetrically and to the same date that the FCC terminating compensation plan was deemed applicable to all traffic in that state exchanged under Section 251(b)(5) of the Act. By way of interpretation, and without limiting the application of the foregoing, the Parties intend for retroactive compensation adjustments, to the extent they are ordered by Intervening Law, to apply uniformly to all traffic among **SBC-13STATE**, CLEC and Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) carriers in the state where traffic is exchanged as Local Calls within the meaning of this Appendix
- 16.5 The Parties further acknowledge that federal or state court challenges could be sustained against the FCC's ISP Compensation Order in particular, or against ISP intercarrier compensation generally. In particular, a court could order an injunction, stay or other retroactive ruling on ISP compensation back to the effective date of the FCC's ISP Compensation Order. Alternatively, a court could vacate the underlying Order upon

which the compensation was based, and the FCC (either on remand or on its own motion) could rule that past traffic should be paid at different rates, terms or conditions.

- 16.6 Because of the possibilities in Section 16.5, the Parties agree that should the ISP Compensation Order be modified or reversed in such a manner that prior intercarrier compensation was paid under rates, terms or conditions later found to be null and void, then the Parties agree that, in addition to negotiating appropriate amendments to conform to such modification or reversal, the Parties will also agree that any billing true ups, reimbursements, or other accounting adjustments on past traffic shall be made uniformly and on the same date as for all traffic exchanged under Section 251(b)(5) of the Act. By way of interpretation, and without limiting the application of the foregoing, the Parties intend for retroactive compensation adjustments, to apply to all traffic among **SBC-13STATE** and CLEC in the state where traffic is exchanged as Local Calls within the meaning of this Appendix.
- 16.7 The Parties further acknowledge that the FCC has issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the topic of Intercarrier Compensation generally. See, *In the Matter of Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, CC Docket 01-92; established in Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Order No. 01-132, April 27, 2001. In the event that a final, legally binding FCC Order is issued upon the conclusion of that NPRM proceeding and during the term of this Appendix, the Parties agree to conform this Agreement to the compensation procedures set forth in that Order.

## 17. SWITCHED ACCESS TRAFFIC

- 17.1 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: *For purposes of this Agreement only, Switched Access Traffic shall mean traffic that originates from outside the ILEC Local Exchange Area as defined by the ILEC Local (or "General") Exchange Tariff on file with the applicable state commission and delivered to an end user located inside the ILEC Local Exchange Area as defined by the ILEC Local (or "General") Exchange Tariff on file with the applicable state commission (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 any traffic that (i) originates over a circuit switch, uses Internet Protocol (IP) transport technology for transport to the local calling area where the terminating party is located (regardless of whether only one provider uses IP transport or multiple providers are involved in providing IP transport) and terminates over a Party's circuit switch, and/or (ii) originates from the end user's premises in IP format, uses circuit switching transport technology for transport to the local calling area where the terminating party is located and terminates over a Party's circuit switch, and/or (iii) originates over a circuit switch and uses circuit switching transport technology for transport to the local calling area where the terminating party is located and terminates over a Party's circuit switch. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Appendix, traffic originated and transmitted using IP enabled technology is not Switched Access Traffic. 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 either Party** from an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) where the terminating number is ported to another **CLEC LEC** 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).

- 17.2 In the limited circumstances in which a third party competitive local exchange carrier delivers Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 17.1 (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 17.1(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 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 IXC's.

### 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

### 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** an 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 other applicable laws 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 rights, 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) for service to itself. CLEC shall be free to utilize a resold wholesale service for the purpose of providing service to its end user customers.



- 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 tariffed 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. 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 reasonable 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).

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

#### 4.12 Branding Load Charges:

4.12.1 **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/DA call handled by **SBC SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE** on behalf of CLEC when multiple brands are required on a single Operator Services trunk. This charge is set forth in Appendix Pricing under the "OTHER (Resale)" category.

4.12.1.1 **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. An additional non-recurring charge applies per brand, per Operator assistance switch, per trunk group for each subsequent change to the branding announcement.

4.12.1.2 **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.

4.12.1.3 **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. OS/DA RATE/REFERENCE INFORMATION

5.1 When an **SBC-12STATE** Operator receives a rate request from a CLEC End User, where technically feasible and available, **SBC-12STATE** will quote the applicable OS/DA rates as provided by the CLEC.

5.2 **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.

5.3 CLEC will furnish OS/DA Rate and Reference Information in accordance with the process outlined in the Operator Services Questionnaire (OSQ). CLEC will furnish to **SBC-13STATE** a completed OSQ thirty (30) calendar days in advance of the date when the DA Services are to be undertaken.

5.4 CLEC will inform **SBC-12STATE**, via the Operator Services Questionnaire (OSQ) of any changes to be made to such Rate/Reference Information fourteen calendar days prior to the effective Rate/Reference change date. CLEC acknowledges that it is responsible to provide **SBC-12STATE** updated Rate/Reference Information in advance of when the Rate/Reference Information is to become effective.

5.5 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.

5.6 Payphone Services

- 5.6.1 CLEC may provide certain local Telecommunications Services to payphone service providers ("PSPs") for PSPs' use in providing payphone service. Local Telecommunications Services which PSPs use in providing payphone service that are provided to PSPs by CLEC by means of reselling **SBC-13STATE**'s services offered pursuant to the appropriate payphone section(s) of **SBC-13STATE**'s state specific tariff(s) applicable in each state covered by this Appendix are referred to in this Appendix as "Payphone Lines." In its Common Carrier Docket No. 96-128, the FCC ordered **SBC-13STATE** to compensate PSP customers of CLECs that resell **SBC-13STATE**'s services for certain calls originated from pay telephones. (Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, FCC Docket No. 96-128, Report and Order, para. 86 (1996)). This compensation is referred to in this Agreement as "Payphone Compensation."
- 5.6.2 The Parties desire that **SBC-13STATE** satisfy the obligation to pay Payphone Compensation to PSPs that are customers of CLEC by paying the Payphone Compensation to CLEC, who will then forward the Payphone Compensation directly to the PSPs.
- 5.6.3 **SBC-13STATE** will pay Payphone Compensation due with respect to Payphone Lines in compliance with the current or any future order of the FCC. **SBC-13STATE** will pay Payphone Compensation to CLEC only for:
- 5.6.3.1 IntraLATA subscriber 800 calls for which **SBC-13STATE** provides the 800 service to the subscriber and carries the call; and
- 5.6.3.2 IntraLATA calls placed using **SBC-13STATE**'s prepaid calling card platform and carried by **SBC-13STATE**.
- 5.6.4 **SBC-13STATE** will not be required to pay any Payphone Compensation for non-sent paid calls.
- 5.6.5 **SBC-13STATE** will pay CLEC the Payphone Compensation due to CLEC's PSP customer(s) within sixty (60) calendar days after the close of the calendar quarter during which the call(s) for which Payphone Compensation is due were made. However, payment may be made later than sixty (60) calendar days if **SBC-13STATE** deems it necessary to investigate a call or calls for possible fraud.
- 5.6.6 **SBC-13STATE** will make payment of any Payphone Compensation due to CLEC under this Appendix by crediting CLEC's bill for the Payphone Line over which the call that gives rise to the Payphone Compensation was placed. **SBC-13STATE** will not automatically issue a check to CLEC if the credit for Payphone Compensation exceeds the balance due to **SBC-13STATE** on the bill.
- 5.6.7 Nothing in this Appendix entitles CLEC to receive or obligates **SBC-13STATE** to provide any call detail or other call record for any call that gives rise to Payphone Compensation.
- 5.6.8 CLEC represents and warrants that the only **SBC-13STATE** services that CLEC will make available to PSPs as Payphone Lines are the payphone services that **SBC-13STATE** offers pursuant to the appropriate payphone section(s) of **SBC-13STATE**'s state specific tariff(s) applicable in each state covered by this Appendix.
- 5.6.9 Except as provided otherwise in this Section 4.9.9, CLEC shall pay the entire amount of the Payphone Compensation due with respect to each Payphone Line to the PSP that is the CLEC's customer for that Payphone Line. CLEC shall make such payment on or before the last business day of the calendar quarter following the calendar quarter during which the call(s) for which Payphone Compensation is due to the PSP were made. If **SBC-13STATE** pays any Payphone Compensation to CLEC later than sixty (60) calendar days after the close of the calendar quarter during which the call(s) for which Payphone Compensation is due were made, then CLEC shall pay the entire amount of such Payphone Compensation to the PSP that is CLEC's customer for that Payphone Line within ten (10) calendar days after receiving such Payphone Compensation from **SBC-13STATE**.

5.6.10 In addition to any other indemnity obligations in this Appendix or in 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, costs, liability, damages and expense (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of any demand, claim, suit or judgment by any Third Party, including a PSP, in any way relating to or arising from any of the following:

5.6.10.1 CLEC's failure to comply with all the terms and conditions of this Appendix; or

5.6.10.2 Use by a PSP customer of CLEC of any service other than a Payphone Line to provide pay telephone service; or

5.6.10.3 False representation by CLEC.

5.7 Suspension of Service

5.7.1 CLEC may offer to resell Customer Initiated Suspension and Restoral Service to its End Users at the associated state specific retail tariff rates, terms and conditions for suspension of service at the request of the End User.

5.7.2 SBC-13STATE will offer CLEC local service provider initiated suspension service for CLEC's purposes at the associated SBC-13STATE state specific retail tariff rate for company initiated suspension of service. Carrier Disconnect Service is the provider initiated suspension service available to CLECs in SBC MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE. Service specifics may be obtained in state specific CLEC Handbooks.

5.7.2.1 CLEC shall be exclusively responsible for placing valid orders for the suspension and the subsequent disconnection or restoral of service to each of its End Users.

5.7.2.2 Should CLEC suspend service for one of its End Users and fail to submit a subsequent disconnection order within the maximum number of calendar days permitted for a company initiated suspension pursuant to the state specific retail tariff, CLEC shall be charged and shall be responsible for all appropriate monthly service charges for the End User's service from the suspension date through the disconnection date.

5.7.2.3 Should CLEC suspend service for one of its End Users and subsequently issue a restoral order, CLEC shall be charged the state specific tariff rate for the restoral plus all appropriate monthly service charges for the End User's service from the suspension date through the restoral date.

6. USE OF SBC BRAND

6.1 Except where otherwise required by law, CLEC shall not, without SBC-13STATE's prior written authorization, offer the services covered by this Appendix using the trademarks, service marks, trade names, brand names, logos, insignia, symbols or decorative designs of SBC-13STATE or its Affiliates, nor shall CLEC state or imply that there is any joint business association or similar arrangement with SBC-13STATE in the provision of Telecommunications Services to CLEC's customers.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SBC-13STATE

7.1 SBC-13STATE shall allow CLEC to place service orders and receive phone number assignments (for new lines). These activities shall be accomplished by facsimile or electronic interface. SBC-13STATE shall provide interface specifications for electronic access for these functions to CLEC. However, CLEC shall be responsible for modifying and connecting any of its systems with SBC-13STATE-provided interfaces, as outlined in Appendix OSS.

7.2 SBC-13STATE shall implement CLEC service orders within the same time intervals SBC-13STATE uses to implement service orders for similar services for its own End Users.

- 7.2.1 Methods and procedures for ordering are outlined in the CLEC Handbook, available on-line, as amended by **SBC-13STATE** in its sole discretion from time to time. All Parties agree to abide by the procedures contained therein.
- 7.3 CLEC will have the ability to report trouble for its End Users to the appropriate **SBC-13STATE** trouble reporting center(s) twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. CLEC will be assigned customer contact center(s) when initial service agreements are made. CLEC End Users calling **SBC-13STATE** will be referred to CLEC at the number provided by CLEC. Nothing herein shall be interpreted to authorize CLEC to repair, maintain, or in any way touch **SBC-13STATE**'s network facilities, including those on End User premises.
- 7.3.1 Methods and procedures for trouble reporting are outlined in the CLEC Handbook, available on-line, as amended by **SBC-13STATE** in its sole discretion from time to time. All Parties agree to abide by the procedures contained therein.
- 7.4 **SBC-13STATE** will provide CLEC with detailed billing information necessary for CLEC to issue bill(s) to its End User(s). CLEC has the option of receiving a daily usage file ("DUF") in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Section 8.8 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached. Should CLEC elect to subscribe to the DUF, CLEC agrees to pay **SBC-13STATE** the charges specified in Appendix Pricing under the "OTHER (Resale)" category listed as "Electronic Billing Information Data (daily usage) (per message)."
- 7.5 **SBC-13STATE** shall make Telecommunications Services that **SBC-13STATE** provides at retail to subscribers who are not Telecommunications Carriers available for resale consistent with the obligation under Section 251(c)(4)(A) of the Act and other applicable limitations. **SBC-13STATE** will notify CLEC of any changes in the terms and conditions under which **SBC-13STATE** offers Telecommunications Services at retail to subscribers who are not Telecommunications Carriers, including but not limited to, the introduction of any new features, functions, services, promotions, grandfathering or the discontinuance of current features or services at the time a tariff filing is transmitted to the appropriate State Commission, or, in situations where a tariff filing is not so transmitted, within sixty (60) calendar days of the expected effective date of such change.
- 7.5.1 **SBC-13STATE** currently makes such notification as described in Section 17.2 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached. Notification of any new service available to CLEC for resale shall advise CLEC of the category in which such new service shall be placed, and the same discount already applicable to CLEC in that category shall apply to the new service.
- 7.6 CLEC's End User's activation of Call Trace shall be handled by the **SBC-13STATE** operations centers responsible for handling such requests. **SBC-13STATE** shall notify CLEC of requests by its End Users to provide call records to the proper authorities. Subsequent communication and resolution of each case involving one of CLEC's End Users (whether that End User is the victim or the suspect) will be coordinated through CLEC.
- 7.6.1 CLEC acknowledges that for services where reports are provided to law enforcement agencies (for example, Call Trace) only billing number and address information shall be provided. It shall be CLEC's responsibility to provide additional information necessary for any police investigation.
- 7.6.1.1 In addition to any other indemnity obligations in this Appendix or the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached, CLEC shall indemnify **SBC-13STATE** against any Claim that insufficient information led to inadequate prosecution.
- 7.6.2 **SBC-13STATE** shall handle law enforcement requests consistent with the Law Enforcement Section of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached.
- 7.7 This section applies only to **SBC CALIFORNIA**:
- 7.7.1 Cooperation on Fraud



7.7.1.1 Traffic Alert Referral Service

7.7.1.1.1 Traffic Alert Referral Service ("TARS") is a service that monitors traffic patterns associated with a CLEC's resold lines. On no less than thirty (30) calendar days written notice, CLEC may order SBC CALIFORNIA's TARS. In providing TARS to CLEC, SBC CALIFORNIA notifies the CLEC of traffic abnormalities that indicate the possible occurrence of intraLATA fraud and furnishes to CLEC information on all 1+ alerts. CLEC understands and agrees that SBC CALIFORNIA will use electronic mail to provide such information and that such information will only be available via electronic mail at the present time. It is the responsibility of CLEC to provide SBC CALIFORNIA with the correct email address. Information will be provided on a per-alert basis and will be priced on a per-alert basis. SBC CALIFORNIA grants to CLEC a non-exclusive right to use the information provided by SBC CALIFORNIA. CLEC will not permit anyone but its duly authorized employees or agents to inspect or use this information. CLEC agrees to pay SBC CALIFORNIA a recurring usage rate as set forth in Appendix Pricing in the "OTHER (Resale)" category listed as "Traffic Alert Referral Service."

7.7.1.2 CLEC shall be liable for all fraud associated with any resale service to which it subscribes. SBC CALIFORNIA takes no responsibility, will not investigate, and will make no adjustments to CLEC's account(s) in cases of fraud or any other related End User dispute.

7.7.1.3 In addition to any other indemnity obligations in this Appendix or in the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached, SBC CALIFORNIA shall not be liable for any damages to CLEC or to any other person or entity for SBC CALIFORNIA's actions or the conduct of its employees in providing TARS to CLEC. CLEC shall indemnify, defend, and hold SBC CALIFORNIA harmless from any and all claims, lawsuits, costs, damages, liabilities, losses, and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, resulting from or in connection with CLEC's use of SBC CALIFORNIA's TARS, except when such claims, lawsuits, costs, damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses are proximately caused by the willful misconduct or gross negligence of SBC CALIFORNIA or its employees.

7.8 This section applies only to SBC CALIFORNIA:

7.8.1 SBC CALIFORNIA will make available to CLEC an optional service, Repair Transfer Service ("RTS"). In the event a CLEC's End User dials 611 (811-8081 for Priority Business customers) for repair, SBC CALIFORNIA will provide a recorded announcement of the CLEC name and number and SBC CALIFORNIA will automatically transfer the caller to the CLEC designated 800/888 number for repair service. CLEC must provide written notification to SBC CALIFORNIA at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the implementation of RTS. Written notification must include the CLEC name and 800/888 numbers for RTS to the CLEC repair bureau and business office. There will be no charges associated with the initial set-up for RTS, however, charges will apply to any subsequent changes to the recorded name announcement and telephone number. Rates for subsequent changes are set forth in the Appendix Pricing in the "OTHER (Resale)" category listed as "Repair Transfer Service." Subsequent charges include: Recorded Name Announcement, 800/888 Telephone Number and Name Announcement & Telephone Number.

## 8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLEC

8.1 Prior to submitting an order under this Appendix, CLEC shall obtain End User authorization as required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations, and assumes responsibility for applicable charges as specified in Section 258(b) of the Act. SBC-13STATE shall abide by the same applicable laws and regulations.

- 8.2 Only an End User can initiate a challenge to a change in its local service provider. If an End User notifies SBC-13STATE or CLEC that the End User requests local exchange service, the Party receiving such request shall be free to provide service to such End User, except in those instances where the End User's account is local PIC protected. It is the responsibility of the End User to provide authorization in a FCC approved format to the current provider of record to remove local service provider protection before any changes in local service provider are processed.
- 8.2.1 SBC-13STATE shall be free to connect an End User to any competitive local exchange carrier based upon that competitive local exchange carrier's request and that competitive local exchange carrier's assurance that proper End User authorization has been obtained. CLEC shall make any such authorization it has obtained available to SBC-13STATE upon request and at no charge.
- 8.2.1.1 The following applies to SBC MICHIGAN only: The Parties will adhere to the requirements adopted by the Commission in its Case No. U-11900 with respect to the selection of primary local exchange carriers and primary interexchange carriers.
- 8.3 When an End User changes or withdraws authorization, each Party shall release customer-specific facilities in accordance with the End User's direction or the direction of the End User's authorized agent. Further, when an End User abandons its premise, SBC-13STATE is free to reclaim the facilities for use by another customer and is free to issue service orders required to reclaim such facilities.
- 8.4 Neither Party shall be obligated by this Appendix to investigate any allegations of unauthorized changes in local exchange service (slamming) on behalf of the other Party or a Third Party. If SBC-13STATE, on behalf of CLEC, agrees to investigate an alleged incidence of slamming, SBC-13STATE shall charge CLEC an investigation fee as set forth in Appendix Pricing in the "OTHER (Resale)" category, listed as "Slamming Investigation Fee."
- 8.5 Should SBC-13STATE receive an order from CLEC for services under this Appendix, and SBC-13STATE is currently providing the same services to another local service provider for the same End User, CLEC agrees that SBC-13STATE may notify the local service provider from whom the End User is being converted of CLEC's order coincident with or following processing CLEC's order. It shall then be the responsibility of the former local service provider of record and CLEC to resolve any issues related to the End User. This Section 8.5 shall not apply to new or additional lines and services purchased by the End User from multiple CLECs or from SBC-13STATE.
- 8.5.1 If SBC-13STATE receives an order from another local service provider to convert services for an End User for whom CLEC is the current local service provider of record, and if CLEC already subscribes to the Local Disconnect Report ("LDR"), covered in Section 8.5.2, then SBC-13STATE shall notify CLEC of such order coincident with or following processing such order. It shall be the responsibility of CLEC and the other local service provider to resolve any issues related to the End User. This Section 8.5.1 shall not apply to new or additional lines and services purchased by an End User from multiple CLECs or from SBC-13STATE.
- 8.5.2 On no less than sixty (60) calendar days advance written notice, CLEC may, at its option, subscribe to the LDR. SBC-13STATE will furnish the following information via the LDR: the Billing Telephone Number ("BTN"), Working Telephone Number ("WTN"), and terminal number of all End Users who have disconnected CLEC's service. Information furnished electronically will be provided daily on a per WTN basis and priced on a per WTN basis. CLEC shall pay SBC-13STATE for the LDR per WTN plus any applicable transmission charges for the LDR; current WTN prices are as set forth in Appendix Pricing in the "OTHER (Resale)" category, listed as "Local Disconnect Report." CLEC agrees that SBC-13STATE may change the per WTN charge, at SBC-13STATE's sole discretion, so long as SBC-13STATE provides CLEC no less than thirty (30) calendar days notice prior to any change in the per WTN charge. SBC-13STATE grants to CLEC a non-exclusive right to use the LDR information provided by SBC-13STATE. CLEC will not permit anyone but its duly authorized employees or agents to inspect or use this information.

- 8.6 CLEC is solely responsible for the payment of all charges for all services furnished under this Appendix, including but not limited to, calls originated or accepted at CLEC's location and its End Users' service locations; provided, however, CLEC shall not be responsible for payment of charges for any retail services furnished by **SBC-13STATE** directly to End Users and billed by **SBC-13STATE** directly to End Users.
- 8.6.1 Interexchange carried traffic (for example, sent-paid, information services and alternate operator services messages) received by **SBC-13STATE** for billing to resold End User accounts will be returned as unbillable and will not be passed to CLEC for billing. An unbillable code will be returned with those messages to the carrier indicating that the messages originated from a resold account and will not be billed by **SBC-13STATE**.
- 8.7 **SBC-13STATE** shall not be responsible for the manner in which utilization of resold services or the associated charges are allocated to End Users or others by CLEC. All applicable rates and charges for services provided to CLEC under this Appendix will be billed directly to CLEC and shall be the responsibility of CLEC; provided, however, that CLEC shall not be responsible for payment of charges for any retail services furnished by **SBC-13STATE** directly to End Users and billed by **SBC-13STATE** directly to End Users.
- 8.7.1 Charges billed to CLEC for all services provided under this Appendix shall be paid by CLEC regardless of CLEC's ability or inability to collect from its End Users for such services.
- 8.8 If CLEC does not wish to be responsible for payment of charges for collect, third number billed, toll and information services (for example, 900) calls, it must order the appropriate blocking for lines provided under this Appendix and pay any applicable charges. It is the responsibility of CLEC to order the appropriate toll restriction or blocking on lines resold to End Users. CLEC acknowledges that blocking is not available for certain types of calls, including 800, 888, 411 and Directory Assistance Express Call Completion. Depending on the origination point, for example, calls originating from correctional facilities, some calls may bypass blocking systems. CLEC acknowledges all such limitations and accepts all responsibility for any charges associated with calls for which blocking is not available and any charges associated with calls that bypass blocking systems.
- 8.9 CLEC shall be responsible for modifying and connecting any of its systems with **SBC-13STATE**-provided interfaces as described in this Appendix and Appendix OSS.
- 8.10 CLEC shall be responsible for providing to its End Users and to **SBC-13STATE** a telephone number or numbers that CLEC's End Users may use to contact CLEC in the event that the End User desires a repair/service call.
- 8.10.1 In the event that CLEC's End Users contact **SBC-13STATE** with regard to repair requests, **SBC-13STATE** shall inform such End Users to call CLEC and may provide CLEC's contact number.
- 8.11 CLEC acknowledges and agrees that, in the event CLEC makes any "CLEC Change" as that term is defined in Section 4.10 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached, CLEC shall comply with the provisions set forth in Section 4.10 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement to which this Appendix is attached as though set forth herein.
- 8.12 CLEC will provide forecasts to **SBC-13STATE** every January and July using the **SBC-13STATE** network information form, or a format mutually agreed to by the Parties. These written forecasts will be based on CLEC's best estimates and will include all resale products CLEC will be ordering within the forecast period.

**APPENDIX FOR ACCESS**

**TO SBC COMMUNICATION INC.'S STRUCTURE**

**(POLES, CONDUITS, AND RIGHTS OF WAYS)**

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## APPENDIX FOR ACCESS TO SBC COMMUNICATION INC.'S STRUCTURE (POLES, CONDUITS, AND RIGHTS OF WAYS)

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions for Rights of Way (ROW), Conduits and Poles provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
  - 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 d/b/a SBC Connecticut, 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 Definitions in general. As used in this Appendix, the terms defined in this article shall have the meanings set forth below in Sections 2.1 to 2.14 except as the context otherwise requires.
- 2.2 Conduit. The term "conduit" refers to tubes or structures, usually underground or on bridges, containing one or more ducts used to enclose cables, wires, and associated transmission equipment. As used in this Appendix, the term "conduit" refers only to conduit structures (including ducts, manholes and handholes) and space within those structures and does not include (a) cables and other telecommunications equipment located within conduit structures or (b) central office vaults, controlled environment vaults, or other **SBC-13STATE** structures (such as huts and cabinets) which branch off from or are connected to **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit.
- 2.3 Conduit system. The term "conduit system" refers to any combination of ducts, conduits, manholes, and handholes joined to form an integrated whole. As used in this Appendix, the term "conduit system" does

not include (a) cables and other telecommunications equipment located within conduit structures or (b) central office vaults, controlled environment vaults, or other **SBC-13STATE** structures (such as huts and cabinets) which branch off from or are connected to **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit.

- 2.4 **Duct**. The term "duct" refers to a single enclosed tube, pipe, or channel for enclosing and carrying cables, wires, and other equipment. As used in this Appendix, the term "duct" includes "inner ducts" created by subdividing a duct into smaller channels, but does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment located within such ducts.
- 2.5 **Handhole**. The term "handhole" refers to a structure similar in function to a manhole, but which is too small for personnel to enter. As used in this Appendix, the term "handhole" refers only to handholes which are part of **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit system and does not refer to handholes which provide access to buried cables not housed within **SBC-13STATE** ducts or conduits. As used in this Appendix, the term "handhole" refers only to handhole structures owned or controlled by **SBC-13STATE** and does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment located within handhole structures.
- 2.6 **Occupancy Permit**. The term "occupancy permit" refers to a written instrument confirming that **SBC-13STATE** has granted the structure access request of Attaching Party or a third party for access to pole, duct, conduit, or right-of-way space.
- 2.7 **Maintenance Duct**. The term "maintenance duct" generally refers to a full-sized duct (typically three inches in diameter or larger) for use, on a short-term basis, for maintenance, repair, or emergency restoration activities. The term "maintenance duct" does not include ducts and conduits extending from an **SBC-13STATE** manhole to customer premises. When only one usable full-sized duct remains in a conduit section, that duct shall be deemed to be the maintenance duct.
- 2.8 **Make-ready work**. The term "make-ready work" refers to all work performed or to be performed solely to prepare **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, rights-of-way, and related facilities for the requested occupancy or attachment of Attaching Party's facilities.
- 2.9 **Manhole**. The term "manhole" refers to an enclosure, usually below ground level and entered through a hole on the surface, which personnel may enter and use for the purpose of installing, operating, and maintaining facilities in ducts or conduits which are parts of **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit system. As used in this Appendix, the term "manhole" does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment located within manhole structures.
- 2.10 **Other User**. The term "Other User" refers to entities, other than the Attaching Party, with facilities on an **SBC-13STATE** pole, duct, conduit or right-of-way to which the Attaching Party has obtained access. Other Users may include **SBC-13STATE**, other attaching parties, municipalities or other governmental entities, and electric utilities (which may own interests in **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits or rights-of-ways).
- 2.11 **Overlashing**. The term "Overlashing" refers to the practice of placing an additional cable by lashing such cable with spinning wire over an existing cable and strand.
- 2.12 **Pole**. The term "pole" refers to poles (and associated anchors) which are owned or controlled by **SBC-13STATE** and does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment attached to pole structures.
- 2.13 **Rights-of-way**. The term "rights-of-way" refers to **SBC-13STATE** owned or controlled legal rights to pass over or through property of another party and used by **SBC-13STATE** for its telecommunications distribution system. For purposes of this Appendix, "rights-of-way" includes property owned by **SBC-13STATE** and used by **SBC-13STATE** for its telecommunications distribution facilities. Rights-of-way does not include:
- 2.13.1 cables and other telecommunications equipment buried or located on such rights-of-way,



2.13.2 public rights of way (which are owned by and subject to the control of governmental entities) except to the extent that SBC-13STATE owns or controls a legal right to pass over or through the public right of way for its telecommunications distribution system and such right is apportionable, or

2.13.3 any space which is owned and controlled by a third-party property owner and occupied by **SBC-13STATE** with permission from such owner rather than as a matter of legal right, except to the extent that SBC-13STATE's permission from the third-party property owner is apportionable and allows Attaching Party to utilize the space.

2.14 Structure. The term "Structure" refers collectively to poles, ducts, conduits and rights-of-way.

### 3. SCOPE OF APPENDIX

3.1 This Appendix establishes the rates, terms, conditions, and procedures by which **SBC-13STATE** shall provide non-discriminatory access to **SBC-13STATE's** Structure. Separate tariffs, appendices, or agreements shall govern Attaching Party's access, if any, to the following facilities which require special security, technical, and construction arrangements outside the scope of this Appendix:

3.1.1 **SBC-13STATE's** central office vaults and ducts and conduits which serve no purpose other than to provide a means of entry to and exit from **SBC-13STATE's** central offices;

3.1.2 controlled environment vaults (CEVs), huts, cabinets, and other similar outside plant structures and ducts and conduits which serve no purpose other than to provide a means of entry to and exit from such vaults, huts, cabinets, and structures;

3.1.3 ducts and conduits located within buildings owned by **SBC-13STATE**; and

3.1.4 ducts, conduits, equipment rooms, and similar spaces located in space leased by **SBC-13STATE** from third-party property owners for purposes other than to house cables and other equipment in active service as part of **SBC-13STATE's** network distribution operations.

3.2 No Transfer of Property Rights to Attaching Party. Nothing contained in this Appendix, or any occupancy permit subject to this Appendix, shall create or vest (or be construed as creating or vesting) in either party any right, title, or interest in or to any real or personal property owned by the other.

3.3 No Effect on SBC-13STATE's Right to Abandon, Convey or Transfer Structure. Nothing contained in this Appendix, or any occupancy permit subject to this Appendix, shall in any way affect **SBC-13STATE's** right to abandon, convey, or transfer to any other person or entity **SBC-13STATE's** interest in any of **SBC-13STATE's** Structure. **SBC-13STATE** shall give Attaching Party at least 60 days written notice prior to abandoning, conveying, or transferring any Structure to which Attaching Party has already attached its facilities, or any Structure on which Attaching Party has already been assigned space. The notice shall identify the transferee, if any, to whom any such pole, duct, conduit, or right-of-way is to be conveyed or transferred. *If **SBC-13STATE** abandons a Structure or the transferee is not able to continue to provide access to the Attaching Party, **SBC-13STATE** shall pay the reasonable costs of relocation for the Attaching Party's attached facilities, so long as such abandonment occurs within one year of the initial attachment of the facility.*

### 4. EFFECTIVE DATE, TERM, AND ELECTIVE TERMINATION

4.1 Effective Date. This Appendix shall be effective as of the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, or, if this Appendix has been entered into as an appendix, attachment, or exhibit to an interconnection Agreement or Appendix between the parties, the date of approval by the State Commission of the interconnection Agreement or Appendix, whichever date first occurs.

4.2 Initial Term. Unless sooner terminated as herein provided, the initial term of this Appendix shall run from the effective date until the end of the calendar year which includes the effective date. In the event this Appendix is entered into as a part of an Interconnection Agreement or Appendix, this Appendix shall terminate upon the termination of the Interconnection Agreement or Appendix of which this is apart.

- 4.3 Automatic Renewal. Unless sooner terminated as herein provided, this Appendix shall be automatically renewed for successive one-year terms beginning on the first day of each calendar year after the effective date, or in the same fashion as the Interconnection Agreement or Appendix renews, if a part of the Interconnection Agreement or Appendix. This renewal will occur as set forth in General Terms & Conditions, Section 5.
- 4.4 Elective Termination. Either party may terminate this Appendix by giving the other party at least six months prior written notice as provided in this section. The notice of termination shall state the effective date of termination, which date shall be no earlier than the last to occur of the following dates: the last day of the current term of this Appendix or six months after the date the notice is given.
- 4.5 Elective Termination by **SBC-13STATE**. Attaching Party shall, within 60 days after the effective date of the elective termination by **SBC-13STATE**, either initiate negotiations for continued access to **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way or remove its facilities in accordance with the provisions of Section 28 of this Appendix.
- 4.6 Effect of Elective Termination. Elective termination of this Appendix by Attaching Party, as permitted under Section 4 of this Appendix, shall not affect Attaching Party's liabilities and obligations incurred under this Appendix prior to the effective date of termination and shall not entitle Attaching Party to the refund of any advance payment made to **SBC-13STATE** under this Appendix. Elective termination of this Appendix by **SBC-13STATE** shall not affect **SBC-13STATE**'s obligations to afford access to **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way owned or controlled by **SBC-13STATE** as required by the Pole Attachment Act, the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and other applicable laws, regulations, and commission orders.

## 5. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 5.1 Entire Appendix. This Appendix, together with the interconnection Agreement or Appendix, if any, of which this Appendix is a part, and the Guidelines for Access to **SBC-13STATE** Structure, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, sets forth the entire understanding and Appendix of the parties.
- 5.2 Prior Agreements Superseded. This Appendix supersedes all prior Agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between Attaching Party and **SBC-13STATE** relating to the placement and maintenance of Attaching Party's facilities on and within **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, and conduits within this State.
- 5.3 Amendments Shall Be in Writing. Except as otherwise specifically provided to the contrary by other provisions of this Appendix, the terms and conditions of this Appendix shall not be amended, changed or altered except in writing and with approval by authorized representatives of both parties.
- 5.4 Survival of Obligations. Any liabilities or obligations of either party for acts or omissions prior to the termination of this Appendix, any obligations of either party under provisions of this Appendix relating to confidential and proprietary information, indemnification, limitations of liability, and any other provisions of this Appendix which, by their terms, are contemplated to survive (or be performed after) termination of this Appendix, will survive the termination of this Appendix.
- 5.5 Multiple Counterparts. This Appendix may be executed in multiple counterparts.
- 5.6 Effect on Licenses or Occupancy Permits Issued Under Prior Agreements. All currently effective pole attachment and conduit occupancy permits granted to Attaching Party shall, on the effective date of this Appendix, be subject to the rates, terms, conditions, and procedures set forth in this Appendix.
- 5.7 Force Majeure. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Appendix, neither party will be liable for any delay or failure in performance of any part of this Appendix caused by a Force Majeure condition, including acts of the United States of America or any state, territory, or political subdivision thereof, acts of God or a public enemy, fires, floods, disputes, freight embargoes, earthquakes, volcanic actions, wars, acts of terrorism, civil disturbances, cable cuts, or other causes beyond the reasonable control of the party

claiming excusable delay or other failure to perform; provided, however, that Force Majeure will not include acts of any governmental authority relating to environmental, health, or safety conditions at work locations. If any Force Majeure condition occurs, the party whose performance fails or is delayed because of such Force Majeure condition will give prompt notice to the other party, and, upon cessation of such Force Majeure condition, will give like notice and commence performance hereunder as promptly as reasonably practicable.

- 5.8 **Severability.** If any article, section, subsection, or other provision or portion of this Appendix is or becomes invalid under any applicable statute or rule of law, and such invalidity does not materially alter the essence of this Appendix as to either party, the invalidity of such provision shall not render this entire Appendix unenforceable and this Appendix shall be administered as if it did not contain the invalid provision.
- 5.9 **Choice of Law.** Except to the extent that federal law controls any aspect of this Appendix, the validity of this Appendix, the construction and enforcement of its terms, and the interpretation of the rights and duties of the parties will be governed by the laws of the State in which the Structure is located, applied without regard to the provisions of that State's laws relating to conflicts-of-laws.
- 5.10 **Changes in the Law.** The parties agree to negotiate in good faith changes to this Appendix to conform to changes applicable law pertaining to access to poles, ducts, conduits and rights-of-way, including the Pole Attachment Act.
- 5.11 The parties shall at all times observe and comply with, and the provisions of this Appendix are subject to, all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations which in any manner affect the rights and obligations of the parties.

## 6. **DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES**

- 6.1 **SBC-13STATE** MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS AND DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, THAT **SBC-13STATE'S** POLES, DUCTS, CONDUITS AND WARRANTIES ARE SUITABLE FOR THE ATTACHING PARTY'S INTENDED USES OR ARE FREE FROM DEFECTS. THE ATTACHING PARTY SHALL IN EVERY INSTANCE BE RESPONSIBLE TO DETERMINE THE ADEQUACY OF **SBC-13STATE'S** POLES, DUCTS, CONDUITS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR THE ATTACHING PARTY'S INTENDED USE.

## 7. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- 7.1 In the event that this Appendix is a part of an Interconnect Agreement between the parties, the dispute resolution provisions of the Interconnection Agreement shall apply to disputes under this Appendix.

## 8. **INDEMNIFICATION**

- 8.1 **Definitions.** The term "Claims" as used in Section 8 shall mean any suit, claim, demand, loss, damage, liability, fee, fine, penalty, or expense, of every kind and character.
- 8.2 **Indemnities Excluded.** Except as otherwise specifically provided in this article, neither party (as an "indemnifying party") shall be required to indemnify or defend the other party (as an "indemnified party") against, or hold the indemnified party harmless from, any Claims arising out of:
- 8.2.1 any breach by the indemnified party of any provision of this Appendix or any breach by the indemnified party of the parties' interconnection Agreement if any;
- 8.2.2 the violation of any law by any employee of the indemnified party or other person acting on the indemnified party's behalf;
- 8.2.3 willful or intentional misconduct or gross negligence committed by any employee of the indemnified party or by any other person acting on the indemnified party's behalf; or

- 8.2.4 any negligent act or acts committed by any employee of the indemnified party or other person acting on the indemnified party's behalf, if such negligent act or acts are the sole producing cause of the injury, loss, or damage giving rise to the Claim for which indemnity is requested.
- 8.3 Workplace Injuries. Except as expressly provided in this Appendix to the contrary, each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with any injury, loss, or damage suffered by any person, which arises out of or in connection with the personal injury or death of any employee of the indemnifying party (or other person acting on the indemnifying party's behalf) if such injury or death results, in whole or in part, from any occurrence or condition on, within, or in the vicinity of **SBC-13STATE's** Structure.
- 8.4 Other Claims Brought Against Either Party by Employees and Other Persons Acting on the Other Party's Behalf. Each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims (other than workplace injury claims subject to Section 8.3 above) made, brought, or sought against the indemnified party by any employee, contractor, or subcontractor or other agent of the indemnifying party or by any other person acting on the indemnifying party's behalf.
- 8.5 THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY'S INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS UNDER SECTIONS 8.3-8.4 SHALL ARISE EVEN IF THE INJURY, SICKNESS, DISEASE, OR DEATH WAS ATTRIBUTABLE IN PART TO NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY.
- 8.6 Claims Brought Against Either Party by Vendors, Suppliers and Customers of the Other Party. Each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims (other than workplace injury claims subject to Section 8.3, or other claims subject to Section 8.4) made, brought, or sought against the indemnified party by any vendor, supplier, or customer of the indemnifying party.
- 8.7 Injuries to Third Parties and Third party Property Owners Resulting from the Parties' Conduct. Each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with the personal injury or death of any third party or physical damage to real or personal property owned by a third party, arising, in whole or in part, out of or in connection with the conduct of employees of the indemnifying party or other persons acting on the indemnifying party's behalf.
- 8.8 Indemnification for Environmental Claims.
- 8.8.1 Each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with any death of person or injury, loss, or damage to any person or property, or to the environment, arising out of or in connection with the violation or breach, by any employee of the indemnifying party or other person acting on the indemnifying party's behalf, of
- 8.8.1.1 any federal, state, or local environmental or health statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, or other law or:
- 8.8.1.2 any provision or requirement of this Appendix dealing with hazardous substances or protection of the environment.
- 8.8.2 Each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with any death of person or injury, loss, or damage to any person or property, or to the environment, arising out of or in connection with the release or discharge, onto any public or private property, of any hazardous substances, regardless of the source of such hazardous substances, by any employee of the indemnifying party, or by any person acting on the indemnifying party's behalf, while present on, within, or in the vicinity of any **SBC-13STATE** pole, duct, conduit, or right-of-way.
- 8.8.3 Each party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold the other party harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with any death of person or injury, loss, or damage to any person or property, or to the environment, arising out of or in connection with the removal or disposal of any hazardous substances by the indemnifying party or by any person acting on the indemnifying

party's behalf, or arising out of or in connection with the subsequent storage, processing or other handling of such hazardous substances by any person or entity after the hazardous substances have been removed by the indemnifying party or persons acting on the indemnifying party's behalf from the site of any **SBC-13STATE** pole, duct, conduit, or right-of-way.

- 8.8.4 Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, neither party shall be required to indemnify or defend the other party against, or hold the other party harmless from any Claims for which the other party may be liable under any federal, state, or local environmental or health statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, or other law.
- 8.9 Miscellaneous Claims. Attaching Party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold **SBC-13STATE** harmless from any and all Claims, of every kind and character, made, brought, or sought against **SBC-13STATE** by any person or entity, arising out of or in connection with the subject matter of this Appendix and based on either:
- 8.9.1 Claims for taxes, municipal fees, franchise fees, right-to-use fees, and other special charges assessed on **SBC-13STATE** due to the placement or presence of Attaching Party's facilities on or within **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way; or
- 8.9.2 Claims based on the violation by Attaching Party of any third party's intellectual property rights, including but not limited to claims for copyright infringement, patent infringement, or unauthorized use or transmission of television or radio broadcast programs or other program material.
- 8.10 Attaching Party's General Indemnity Obligations to **SBC-13STATE**. This section applies only in those situations not expressly covered by Sections 8.3-8.9 and does not apply to any Claims resulting from Attaching Party's enforcement of its rights against **SBC-13STATE** pursuant to this Appendix or other provisions in the parties' Interconnection Agreement, if any. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Appendix to the contrary, and subject to the exclusions set forth in Section 8.2, Attaching Party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold **SBC-13STATE** harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with any death of person or injury, loss, or damage to any person or property, or to the environment, arising out of or in connection with Attaching Party's access to or use of **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way, Attaching Party's performance of any acts authorized under this Appendix, or the presence or activities of Attaching Party's employees or other personnel acting on Attaching Party's behalf on, within, or in the vicinity of **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way.
- 8.11 **SBC-13STATE**'s General Indemnity Obligations to Attaching Party. This section applies only in those situations not expressly covered by Sections 8.3-8.9 and does not apply to any Claims resulting from **SBC-13STATE**'s enforcement of its rights against Attaching Party pursuant to this Appendix or other provisions in the parties' Interconnection Agreement, if any. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Appendix to the contrary, **SBC-13STATE** shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold Attaching Party harmless from any and all Claims, on account of or in connection with any death of person or injury, loss, or damage to any person or property, or to the environment, arising out of or in connection with **SBC-13STATE**'s access to or use of **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way, **SBC-13STATE**'s performance of any acts authorized under this Appendix, or the presence or activities of **SBC-13STATE**'s employees or other personnel acting on **SBC-13STATE**'s behalf on, within, or in the vicinity of **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way.

## 9. LIABILITIES AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

- 9.1 EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, EXEMPLARY, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY FOR ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LOSS OF ANTICIPATED PROFITS OR REVENUE OR OTHER ECONOMIC LOSS IN CONNECTION WITH OR ARISING FROM ANY ACT OR FAILURE TO ACT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF THE OTHER PARTY HAS ADVISED SUCH PARTY OF THE POSSIBILITY OF

SUCH DAMAGES. THIS SECTION LIMITS EACH PARTY'S LIABILITY FOR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, EXEMPLARY OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH NEGLIGENT (INCLUDING GROSSLY NEGLIGENT) ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF SUCH PARTY BUT DOES NOT LIMIT EITHER PARTY'S LIABILITY FOR INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT.

- 9.2 **SBC-13STATE Not Liable to Attaching Party for Acts of Third Parties or Acts of God.** By affording Attaching Party access to **SBC-13STATE** Structure **SBC-13STATE** does not warrant, guarantee, or insure the uninterrupted use of such facilities by Attaching Party. Except as specifically provided in Section 9.5 of this Appendix, Attaching Party assumes all risks of injury, loss, or damage (and the consequences of any such injury, loss, or damage) to Attaching Party's facilities attached to **SBC-13STATE**'s poles or placed in **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure and **SBC-13STATE** shall not be liable to Attaching Party for any damages to Attaching Party's facilities other than as provided in Section 9.5. In no event shall **SBC-13STATE** be liable to Attaching Party under this Agreement for any death of person or injury, loss, or damage resulting from the acts or omissions of (1) any Other User or any person acting on behalf of an Other User, (2) any governmental body or governmental employee, (3) any third-party property owner or persons acting on behalf of such property owner, or (4) any permit, invitee, trespasser, or other person present at the site or in the vicinity of any **SBC-13STATE** pole, duct, conduit, or right-of-way in any capacity other than as a **SBC-13STATE** employee or person acting on **SBC-13STATE**'s behalf. In no event shall **SBC-13STATE** be liable to Attaching Party under this Agreement for injuries, losses, or damages resulting from acts of God (including but not limited to storms, floods, fires, and earthquakes), wars civil disturbances, espionage or other criminal acts committed by persons or entities not acting on **SBC-13STATE**'s behalf, cable cuts by persons other than **SBC-13STATE**'s employees or persons acting on **SBC-13STATE**'s behalf, or other causes beyond **SBC-13STATE**'s control which occur at sites subject to this Appendix.
- 9.3 **Damage to Facilities.** Each party shall exercise due care to avoid damaging the facilities of the other or of Other Users and hereby assumes all responsibility for any and all loss from damage caused by the party and persons acting on the party's behalf. A party shall make an immediate report to the other of the occurrence of any damage and hereby agrees to reimburse the other party, and/or Other Users for any property damaged caused by the party or persons acting on the party's behalf.
- 9.4 **No Limitations of Liability in Contravention of Federal or State Law.** Nothing contained in this article shall be construed as exempting either party from any liability, or limiting such party's liability, in contravention of federal law or in contravention of the laws of this State.

## 10. INSURANCE

- 10.1 At all times in which the Attaching Party has attachments to **SBC-13STATE** poles, or is occupying **SBC-13STATE** conduit or right-of-way, Attaching Party shall keep and maintain in force, at its own expense, the minimum insurance coverage and limits set for below. Such insurance and coverage shall not only cover the Attaching Party, but it must cover all contractors, subcontractors and/or any other person acting on Attaching Party's behalf, that are providing services under this Appendix.
- 10.1.1 Workers' Compensation insurance with benefits afforded under the laws of each state covered by this Appendix and Employers Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury-each accident, \$500,000 for Bodily Injury by disease-policy limits and \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury by disease-each employee.
- 10.1.2 Commercial General Liability insurance with minimum limits of: \$10,000,000 General Aggregate limit; \$5,000,000 each occurrence sub-limit for all bodily injury or property damage incurred in any one occurrence; \$1,000,000 each occurrence sub-limit for Personal Injury and Advertising; \$10,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate limit, with a \$5,000,000 each occurrence sub-limit for Products/Completed Operations.
- 10.1.3 Automobile Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limits per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, with coverage extending to all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles.

- 10.1.4 *Minimum insurance coverage and limits may be provided for by either basis or umbrella policies or any combination thereof, such policies to be provided to the other Party upon request.*
- 10.2 Attaching Party agrees to name **SBC-13STATE** as an Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability policy and Commercial Automobile Liability Policy.
- 10.3 **SBC-13STATE** agrees to accept the Attaching Party's program of self-insurance in lieu of insurance coverage if certain requirements are met. These requirements are as follows:
- 10.3.1 Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability: Attaching Party submit to **SBC-13STATE** its Certificate of Authority to Self-Insure its Workers' Compensation obligations issued by each state covered by this Appendix or the employer's state of hire; and
- 10.3.2 Automobile liability: Attaching Party shall submit to **SBC-13STATE** a copy of the state-issued letter approving self-insurance for automobile liability issued by each state covered by this Appendix; and
- 10.3.3 General liability: *If Attaching Party utilizes a program of self-insurance in lieu of insurance coverage, then* Attaching Party must provide evidence acceptable to **SBC-13STATE** that it maintains at least an investment grade (e.g., B+ or higher) debt or credit rating as determined by a nationally recognized debt or credit rating agency such as Moody's, Standard and Poor's or Duff and Phelps.
- 10.4 All insurance required in accordance with this section must be in effect before **SBC-13STATE** will issue pole attachment or conduit occupancy permits under this Appendix.
- 10.5 Attaching Party agrees to provide **SBC-13STATE** with at least thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice of cancellation, material reduction or non-renewal of any of the insurance policies required herein.

## 11. ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS

- 11.1 Assignment Permitted. Neither party may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations under this Appendix except as provided in this section.
- 11.1.1 **SBC-13STATE** may assign its rights, delegate its benefits, and delegate its duties and obligations under this Appendix, without Attaching Party's consent, to any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with **SBC-13STATE** or which acquires or succeeds to ownership of substantially all of **SBC-13STATE**'s assets. Attaching Party may assign and delegate any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement to an affiliate (that is, an entity having direct or indirect common ownership with Attaching Party) or to a person or entity that through a general sale or acquisition acquires substantially all of Attaching Party's assets ("**Acquiring Person**"), without consent by **SBC-13STATE**, provided however, that Attaching Party shall give **SBC-13STATE** thirty (30) days advance written notice with full identification of the Acquiring Person, that the Acquiring Person (or a guarantor of the Acquiring Person's obligations under this Agreement) has a net worth no less than Attaching Party has as of the commencement of the Agreement and provides **SBC-13STATE** with available financial records (including but not limited to balance sheet and income statement) and other reasonably requested information, subject to the execution of a mutually acceptable NDA, if requested, to satisfy the net worth requirement. In the event Acquiring Person meets this test, Attaching Party will be released of any duty, liability, obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Agreement, with or without consent, upon the assignment, subletting, transfer or other conveyance of right, duty, or interest in this agreement.
- 11.1.2 Overlapping of Attaching Party's facilities on **SBC-13STATE** poles by a third party will be allowed under the following conditions:

- 11.1.2.1 The Overlapping entity must enter into an Appendix with **SBC-13STATE** for access to **SBC-13STATE** Structures and abide by the terms and conditions of such an Occupancy Permit.
- 11.1.2.2 The Overlapping entity must obtain written approval from the Attaching Party and provide a copy to **SBC-13STATE** prior to submitting a request for access to structure.
- 11.1.2.3 The Overlapping party must submit a written request for access to structure, and indicate on the request that the request is for Overlapping of an existing attachment of the Attaching Party.
- 11.1.2.4 The Overlapping entity is responsible for paying the fees for Overlapping in APPENDIX I and/or APPENDIX PRICING which are separate and in addition to the fees paid by the Attaching Party.
- 11.1.3 Attaching Party may, ancillary to a bona fide loan transaction between Attaching Party and any lender, and without **SBC-13STATE**'s consent, grant security interests or make collateral assignments in substantially all of Attaching Party's assets, including Attaching Party's rights under this Appendix, subject to the express terms of this Appendix. In the event Attaching Party's lender, in the bona fide exercise of its rights as a secured lender, forecloses on its security interest or arranges for a third party to acquire Attaching Party's assets through public or private sale or through an Agreement with Attaching Party, Attaching Party's lender or the third party acquiring Attaching Party's rights under this Appendix shall assume all outstanding obligations of Attaching Party under the agreement and provide commercially reasonable proof satisfactory to **SBC-13STATE** that such lender or third party has complied or will comply with all requirements established under this Appendix. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Appendix to the contrary, such foreclosure by Attaching Party's lender or acquisition of assets by such third party shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement and, upon such foreclosure or acquisition, Attaching Party's lender or such third party shall succeed to all rights and remedies of Attaching Party under this Agreement (other than those rights and remedies, if any, which have not been transferred and, if Attaching Party is a debtor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code, those rights, if any, which remain a part of the debtor's estate notwithstanding an attempted foreclosure or transfer) and to all duties and obligations of Attaching Party under the Agreement, including liability to **SBC-13STATE** for any act, omission, default, or obligation that arose or occurred under the Agreement prior to the date on which such lender or third party succeeds to the rights of Attaching Party under the Agreement, as applicable.
- 11.1.4 No assignment or transfer by Attaching Party of rights under this Agreement, occupancy permit subject to this Agreement, or authorizations granted under this Agreement, except as set forth in Section 11.1.1 above, shall be effective until Attaching Party, its successors, and assigns have complied with the provisions of this article, secured **SBC-13STATE**'s prior written consent to the assignment or transfer, if necessary, and given **SBC-13STATE** notice of the assignment or transfer pursuant to Section 11.3.
- 11.2 Incorporations, Mergers, Acquisitions, and Other Changes in Attaching Party's Legal Identity. When the legal identity or status of Attaching Party changes, whether by incorporation, reincorporation, merger, acquisition, or otherwise, such change shall be treated as an assignment subject to the provisions of this article, provided, however, that a mere name change by Attaching Party shall not constitute an assignment, so long as Attaching Party provides reasonable advance notice of the name change together with supporting documentation.
- 11.3 Assignment Shall Not Relieve Attaching Party of Prior Obligations. Except as otherwise expressly agreed by **SBC-13STATE** in writing, no assignment permitted by **SBC-13STATE** under this Agreement shall relieve Attaching Party of any obligations arising under or in connection with this Agreement, including but not limited to indemnity obligations under Section 8 of this Appendix or the interconnection agreement, if any.



- 11.4 Satisfaction of Existing Obligations and Assumption of Contingent Liabilities. **SBC-13STATE** may condition its approval of any requested assignment or transfer on the assignee's or successor's payment or satisfaction of all outstanding obligations of Attaching Party under this Agreement and the assignee's or successor's assumption of any liabilities, or contingent liabilities, of Attaching Party arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.
- 11.5 Sub-Permits Prohibited. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as granting Attaching Party the right to sublease, sublicense, or otherwise transfer any rights under this Agreement or occupancy permits subject to this Agreement to any third party. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in this Agreement, Attaching Party shall not allow third party to attach or place facilities to or in pole or conduit space occupied by or assigned to Attaching Party or to utilize such space.

## 12. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT OR OCCUPANCY PERMITS; REMEDIES FOR BREACHES

- 12.1 Termination Due to Non-Use of Facilities or Loss of Required Authority. This Appendix and all occupancy permits subject to this Appendix shall terminate if Attaching Party ceases to have authority to do business or ceases to do business in this State, ceases to have authority to provide or ceases to provide cable television services in this State (if Attaching Party is cable television system having access to **SBC-13STATE's** poles, ducts, conduits or rights-of-way solely to provide cable television service), ceases to have authority to provide or **ceases to provide** telecommunications services in this State (if Attaching Party is a telecommunications carrier which does not also have authority to provide cable television service in this State), or **ceases to make active use of SBC-13STATE's poles, ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way.**
- 12.2 Individual occupancy permits subject to this Appendix shall terminate if (a) Attaching Party ceases to utilize the pole attachment or conduit or right of way space subject to such occupancy permit or (b) Attaching Party's permission to use or have access to particular poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way has been revoked, denied, or terminated, or local governmental authority or third-party property owner having authority to revoke, deny, or terminate such use or access has done so.
- 12.3 Limitation, Termination, or Refusal of Access for Certain Material Breaches. Attaching Party's access to **SBC-13STATE's** Structure shall not materially interfere with or impair service over any facilities of **SBC-13STATE** or any Other User, cause material damage to **SBC-13STATE's** plant or the plant of any Other User, impair the privacy of communications carried over the facilities of **SBC-13STATE** or any Other User, or create serious hazards to the health or safety of any persons working on, within, or in the vicinity of **SBC-13STATE's** poles, ducts, rights-of-way or to the public. Upon reasonable notice and opportunity to cure, **SBC-13STATE** may limit, terminate or refuse access if Attaching Party violates this provision.
- 12.4 Notice and Opportunity to Cure Breach. In the event of any claimed breach of this Appendix by either party, the aggrieved party may give written notice of such claimed breach
- 12.5 The complaining party shall not be entitled to pursue any remedies available under this Appendix or relevant law unless such notice is given, and
- 12.5.1 the breaching party fails to cure the breach within 30 days of such notice, if the breach is one which can be cured within 30 days, or
- 12.5.2 the breaching party fails to commence promptly and pursue diligently a cure of the breach, if the required cure is such that more than 30 days will be required to effect such cure.
- 12.6 Remedies for Breach. Subject to the provisions of this article, either party may terminate this Appendix in the event of a material breach by the other party or exercise any other legal or equitable right which such party may have to enforce the provisions of this Appendix. In any action based on an alleged breach of this Appendix, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all costs and expenses incurred by such party, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' and expert witness fees.

**13. FAILURE TO ENFORCE**

- 13.1 No Waiver. The failure by either party to take action to enforce compliance with any of the terms or conditions of this Appendix, to give notice of any breach, or to terminate this Appendix or any occupancy permit or authorization subject to this Appendix shall not constitute a waiver or relinquishment of any term or condition of this Appendix, a waiver or relinquishment of the right to give notice of breach, or waiver or relinquishment of any right to terminate this Appendix.

**14. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION**

- 14.1 Information Provided by Attaching Party to **SBC-13STATE**. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Appendix, all company-specific and customer-specific information submitted by Attaching Party to **SBC-13STATE** in connection with this Appendix (including but not limited to information submitted in connection with Attaching Party's applications for occupancy permit shall be deemed to be "confidential" or "proprietary" information of Attaching Party and shall be subject to the terms set forth in this article. Confidential or proprietary information specifically includes information or knowledge related to Attaching Party's review of records regarding a particular market area, or relating to assignment of space to Attaching Party in a particular market area, and further includes knowledge or information about the timing of Attaching Party's request for or review of records or its inquiry about **SBC-13STATE** facilities. This article does not limit the use by **SBC-13STATE** of aggregate information relating to the occupancy and use of **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure by firms other than **SBC-13STATE** (that is, information submitted by Attaching Party and aggregated by **SBC-13STATE** in a manner that does not directly or indirectly identify Attaching Party).
- 14.2 Access Limited to Persons with a Need to Know. Confidential or proprietary information provided by Attaching Party to **SBC-13STATE** in connection with this Appendix shall not be disclosed to, shared with, or accessed by any person or persons other than those who have a need to know such information for the limited purposes set forth in Sections 14.3-14.6.
- 14.3 Permitted Uses of Attaching Party's Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 14.1 and 14.2 above, **SBC-13STATE** and persons acting on **SBC-13STATE**'s behalf may utilize Attaching Party's confidential or proprietary information for the following purposes:
- 14.3.1 posting information, as necessary, to **SBC-13STATE**'s outside plant records;
  - 14.3.2 placing, constructing, installing, operating, utilizing, maintaining, monitoring, inspecting, repairing, relocating, transferring, conveying, removing, or managing **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure and any **SBC-13STATE** facilities located on, within, or in the vicinity of such Structure;
  - 14.3.3 performing **SBC-13STATE**'s obligations under this Agreement and similar agreements with third parties;
  - 14.3.4 determining which of **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure are (or may in the future be) available for **SBC-13STATE**'s own use, and making planning, engineering, construction, and budgeting decisions relating to **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure;
  - 14.3.5 preparing cost studies;
  - 14.3.6 responding to regulatory requests for information;
  - 14.3.7 maintaining **SBC-13STATE**'s financial accounting records; and
  - 14.3.8 complying with other legal requirements relating to Structure.
- 14.4 Defense of Claims. In the event of a dispute between **SBC-13STATE** and any person or entity, including Attaching Party, concerning **SBC-13STATE**'s performance of this Agreement, satisfaction of obligations under similar agreements with third parties, compliance with the Pole Attachment Act, compliance with the Telecommunications Act of 1996, or compliance with other federal, state, or local laws, regulations, commission orders, and the like, **SBC-13STATE** may utilize confidential or proprietary information

submitted by Attaching Party in connection with this Appendix as may be reasonable or necessary to demonstrate compliance, protect itself from allegations of wrongdoing, or comply with subpoenas, court orders, or reasonable discovery requests; provided, however, that **SBC-13STATE** shall not disclose Attaching Party's proprietary or confidential information without first:

- 14.4.1 obtaining an agreed protective order or nondisclosure Agreement that preserves the confidential and proprietary nature of Attaching Party's information;
  - 14.4.2 seeking such a protective order as provided by law if no agreed protective order or nondisclosure Agreement can be obtained; or
  - 14.4.3 providing Attaching Party notice of the subpoena, demand, or order and an opportunity to take affirmative steps of its own to protect such proprietary or confidential information.
- 14.5 Response to Subpoenas, Court Orders, and Agency Orders. Nothing contained in this article shall be construed as precluding **SBC-13STATE** from complying with any subpoena, civil or criminal investigative demand, or other order issued or entered by a court or agency of competent jurisdiction; provided, however, that **SBC-13STATE** shall not disclose Attaching Party's proprietary or confidential information without first, at **SBC-13STATE**'s option:
- 14.5.1 obtaining an agreed protective order or nondisclosure Agreement that preserves the confidential and proprietary nature of Attaching Party's information;
  - 14.5.2 seeking such a protective order as provided by law if no agreed protective order or nondisclosure Agreement can be obtained; or
  - 14.5.3 providing Attaching Party notice of the subpoena, demand, or order and an opportunity to take affirmative steps of its own to protect such proprietary or confidential information.

## 15. ACCESS TO RIGHTS-OF-WAY

- 15.1 To the extent **SBC-13STATE** has the authority to do so, **SBC-13STATE** grants Attaching Party a right to use any right-of-way for **SBC-13STATE** poles, ducts, or conduits to which Attaching Party may attach its facilities for the purposes of constructing, operating and maintaining such Attaching Party's facilities on **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts or conduits. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Attaching Party shall be responsible for determining the necessity of and obtaining from private and/or public authority any necessary consent, easement, right of way, license, permit, permission, certification or franchise to construct, operate and/or maintain its facilities on private and public property at the location of the **SBC-13STATE** pole, duct or conduit to which Attaching Party seeks to attach its facilities. Attaching Party shall furnish proof of any such easement, right of way, license, permit, permission, certification, or franchise within thirty (30) days of request by **SBC-13STATE**. **SBC-13STATE** does not warrant the validity or apportionability of any rights it may hold to place facilities on private property.
- 15.2 Private Rights-of-Way Not Owned or Controlled by Either Party. Neither party shall restrict or interfere with the other party's access to or right to occupy property owned by third-parties which is not subject to the other party's control, including property as to which either party has access subject to non-exclusive rights-of-way. Each party shall make its own, independent legal assessment of its right to enter upon or use the property of third-party property owners and shall bear all expenses, including legal expenses, involved in making such determinations.
- 15.3 Access to Rights-of-Way Generally. At locations where **SBC-13STATE** has access to third-party property pursuant to non-exclusive rights-of-way, **SBC-13STATE** shall not interfere with Attaching Party's negotiations with third-party property owners for similar access or with Attaching Party's access to such property pursuant to easements or other rights-of-ways obtained by Attaching Party from the property owner. At locations where **SBC-13STATE** has obtained exclusive rights-of-way from third-party property owners or otherwise controls the right-of-way, **SBC-13STATE** shall, to the extent space is available, and subject to reasonable safety, reliability, and engineering conditions, provide access to Attaching Party on a nondiscriminatory basis, provided that the underlying agreement with the property owner permits **SBC-**

**13STATE** to provide such access, and provided further that **SBC-13STATE**'s charges for such access shall include Attaching Party's pro rata portion of the charges, if any, paid by **SBC-13STATE** to obtain the right-of-way, plus any other documented legal, administrative, and engineering costs incurred by **SBC-13STATE** in obtaining the right-of-way and processing Attaching Party's request for access.

## 16. SPECIFICATIONS

16.1 Compliance with Requirements, Specifications, and Standards. Attaching Party's facilities attached to **SBC-13STATE**'s poles or occupying space in **SBC-13STATE**'s ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way shall be attached, placed, constructed, maintained, repaired, and removed in full compliance with the requirements, specifications, and standards specified in this Appendix and the Administrative Guide.

16.1.1 **SBC CALIFORNIA ONLY**- In addition to the terms and conditions included in this Appendix, **SBC CALIFORNIA** shall comply with any requirements set forth in California Public Utility Commission Decision 98-10-058.

16.2 Published Standards. Attaching Party's facilities shall be placed, constructed, maintained, repaired, and removed in accordance with current (as of the date when such work is performed) editions of the following publications:

16.2.1 the Blue Book Manual of Construction Procedures, Special Report SR-TAP-001421, published by Bell Communications Research, Inc. ("Bellcore"), and sometimes referred to as the "Blue Book";

16.2.2 the National Electrical Safety Code ("NESC"), published by the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, Inc. ("IEEE");

16.2.3 the National Electrical Code ("NEC"), published by the National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA");

16.2.4 California Public Utility Commission's General Orders 95 and 128 for attachments to Pacific Bell Telephone Company poles, ducts, conduits and rights of way; and,

16.2.5 the **SBC-13STATE** Structure Access Guidelines

16.3 Opening of Manholes and Access to Conduit. The following requirements apply to the opening of **SBC-13STATE**'s manholes and access to **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit system.

16.3.1 Attaching Party will notify **SBC-13STATE** not less than five (5) business days in advance before entering **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit system to perform non-emergency work operations. Such operations shall be conducted during normal business hours except as otherwise agreed by the parties. The notice shall state the general nature of the work to be performed.

16.3.2 ***At SBC-13STATE's option and sole expense an*** An authorized employee or representative of **SBC-13STATE** may be present any time when Attaching Party or personnel acting on Attaching Party's behalf enter or perform work within **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit system. **Attaching Party shall reimburse SBC-13STATE for costs associated with the presence of SBC-13STATE's authorized employee or representative.**

16.3.3 Each party must obtain any necessary authorization from appropriate authorities to open manholes.

## 17. ACCESS TO RECORDS

17.1 **SBC-13STATE** will, upon request and **at the expense of the Attaching Party at no charge**, provide Attaching Party **access to and copies of** redacted maps, records and additional information relating to the location, capacity and utilization of **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure. Upon request, **SBC-13STATE** will **provide copies and** meet with the Attaching Party to clarify matters relating to maps, records or additional information. **SBC-13STATE** does not warrant the accuracy or completeness of information on any maps or records.

- 17.2 Maps, records or information are and remain the proprietary property of **SBC-13STATE**, are provided to the Attaching Party solely for the pursue of enabling the Attaching Party to obtain access to **SBC-13STATE's** Structure, and may not be resold, reproduced or disseminated by the Attaching Party.
- 17.3 **SBC-13STATE** will provide information currently available on the **SBC-13STATE's** maps and/or records regarding:
- 17.3.1 the location of Structure and street addresses for manholes and poles as shown on **SBC-13STATE's** maps;
  - 17.3.2 the footage between manholes or lateral ducts lengths, as shown on **SBC-13STATE's** maps;
  - 17.3.3 the footage between poles, if shown on **SBC-13STATE's** maps;
  - 17.3.4 the total capacity of the Structure
  - 17.3.5 the existing utilization of the Structure.
- 17.4 **SBC-13STATE** will not acquire additional information or provide information in formats other than that in which it currently exists and is maintained by **SBC-13STATE**.
- 17.5 **SBC-13STATE** will expunge any confidential or proprietary information from its maps and records prior to providing access to the same to the Attaching Party.

## 18. APPLICATIONS AND PRE-OCCUPANCY PERMIT SURVEYS

- 18.1 Occupancy Permits Required. Attaching Party shall apply in writing for and receive an occupancy permit before attaching facilities to specified **SBC-13STATE** poles or placing facilities within specified **SBC-13STATE** ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way.
- 18.2 Structure Access Request Form. To apply for an occupancy permit under this Appendix, Attaching Party shall submit to **SBC-13STATE** the appropriate **SBC-13STATE** request forms. Attaching Party shall promptly withdraw or amend its request if, at any time prior to the 45th day, it has determined that it no longer seeks access to specific **SBC-13STATE** Structure.
- 18.3 Make-Ready Survey. A Make-Ready survey must be completed by **SBC-13STATE** or the Attaching Party, if permissible in the application area, before an occupancy permit is issued. The primary purposes of the make ready survey will be to enable **SBC-13STATE** to
- 18.3.1 confirm or determine the modifications, capacity expansion, and make-ready work, if any, necessary to accommodate Attaching Party's attachment of facilities to **SBC-13STATE** structures;
  - 18.3.2 plan and engineer the facilities modification, capacity expansion, and make-ready work, if any, required to prepare **SBC-13STATE's** poles, ducts, conduits, rights-of-way, and associated facilities for Attaching Party's proposed attachments or occupancy; and
  - 18.3.3 estimate the costs associated with such facilities modification, capacity expansion, or make-ready work.

## 19. POLE, DUCT, AND CONDUIT SPACE ASSIGNMENTS

- 19.1 Selection of Space. **SBC-13STATE** will select or approve the Attaching Party's selection of the space Applicant will occupy on **SBC-13STATE's** poles or in **SBC-13STATE's** conduit systems. Maintenance ducts shall not be considered available for Attaching Party's use except as specifically provided elsewhere in this Appendix. Where required by law or franchise agreement, ducts and attachment space on poles reserved for municipal use shall not be considered available for the Attaching Party's use. All other ducts, inner ducts, space on poles or space in rights-of-ways which are not assigned or occupied shall be deemed available for use by **SBC-13STATE**, Attaching Party, and other parties entitled to access under applicable law.

19.2 Pole, Duct, and Conduit Space Assignments.

19.2.1 After Attaching Party's application for a pole attachment or conduit occupancy permit has been approved by **SBC-13STATE**, the pole, duct, and conduit space selected and/or approved by **SBC-13STATE** in such application will be assigned to Attaching Party for a pre-occupancy period not to exceed twelve (12) months.

19.2.2 **SBC CALIFORNIA**: The pole, duct, and conduit space selected and/or approved by **SBC-13STATE** in such application will be assigned to Attaching Party for a pre-occupancy period not to exceed nine (9) months in **SBC CALIFORNIA** only as detailed by the California Public Utility Commission.

19.2.3 **SBC-13STATE** may assign space to itself by making appropriate entries in the same records used to log assignments to Attaching Party and third parties. If **SBC-13STATE** assigns pole, duct, or conduit space to itself, such assignment will automatically lapse 12 months after the date the assignment has been entered into the appropriate **SBC-13STATE** record if **SBC-13STATE** has not occupied such assigned space within such 12 month period.

19.2.4 **SBC CALIFORNIA**: Space assignment is 9 months in California.

19.2.5 Notices and applications including assignment requests will be date-and time-stamped on receipt.

20. **ISSUANCE OF OCCUPANCY PERMITS (INCLUDING MAKE-READY WORK)**

20.1 Response Within 45 Days. Within 45 days of Attaching Party's submission of a request for access to **SBC-13STATE** Structure, **SBC-13STATE** shall provide a written response to the application. The response shall state whether the request is being granted or denied, and if the request is denied, provide the reasons why the request is being denied. If denial of access is proposed, **SBC-13STATE** will meet with the Attaching Party and explore in good faith reasonable alternatives to accommodate the proposed attachment. The Attaching Party must request such meeting within ten (10) business days of receipt of a notice of denial. **SBC-13STATE** will schedule the meeting within ten (10) business days of receipt of the Attaching Party's written request for a meeting.

20.2 If access is granted the response will further advise Attaching Party in writing of:

20.2.1 what modifications, capacity expansions, or make-ready work, if any, will be required to prepare **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure, and

20.2.2 an estimate of charges for such modifications, capacity expansions, or make-ready work.

20.3 Make-ready Work. If it is determined that make ready work will be necessary to accommodate Attaching Party's facilities, Attaching Party shall have 45 days (the "acceptance period") to either

20.3.1 submit payment for the estimate authorizing **SBC-13STATE** or its contractor to complete the make-ready work; or

20.3.2 advise **SBC-13STATE** of its willingness to perform the proposed make-ready work itself if permissible in the application area.

20.4 Make-ready work performed by Attaching Party, or by an authorized contractor selected by Attaching Party, shall be performed in accordance with **SBC-13STATE**'s specifications and in accordance with the same standards and practices which would be followed if such work were being performed by **SBC-13STATE** or **SBC-13STATE**'s contractors. Neither Attaching Party nor authorized contractors selected by Attaching Party shall conduct such work in any manner which degrades the integrity of **SBC-13STATE**'s Structures or interferes with any existing use of **SBC-13STATE**'s facilities or the facilities of any Other User.

20.5 Payments to Others for Expenses Incurred in Transferring or Arranging Their Facilities. Attaching Party shall make arrangements with the Other Users with facilities attached to **SBC-13STATE**'s poles or occupying space in **SBC-13STATE**'s conduit system regarding reimbursement for any expenses incurred by the Other Users in transferring or rearranging the Other Users' facilities to accommodate the attachment

or placement of Attaching Party's facilities to or in **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits and rights of ways.

20.6 **Reimbursement for the Creation or Use of Additional Capacity.** If any additional capacity is created as a result of make-ready work performed to accommodate Attaching Party's facilities, Attaching Party shall not have a preferential right to utilize such additional capacity in the future and shall not be entitled to any fees subsequently paid to **SBC-13STATE** for the use of such additional capacity. If **SBC-13STATE** utilizes additional space or capacity created at Attaching Party's expense, **SBC-13STATE** will reimburse Attaching Party on a pro-rata basis for **SBC-13STATE**'s share, if any, of Attaching Party's capacity expansion costs, to the extent reimbursement is required by applicable rules, regulations, and commission orders. **SBC-13STATE** will notify the Attaching Party if any entity, including **SBC-13STATE**, attaches facilities to additional capacity on **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure created at the Attaching Party's expense. **SBC-13STATE** shall not be required to collect or remit any such amounts to Attaching Party, to resolve or adjudicate disputes over reimbursement between Attaching Party and Other Users.

20.7 If Attaching Party utilizes space or capacity on any **SBC-13STATE** Structure created at **SBC-13STATE**'s expense after February of 1996, the Attaching Party will reimburse *pre-existing* attaching parties on a pro-rata basis, *to the extent required by applicable law*, for the Attaching Party's share, if any, of **SBC-13STATE**'s capacity creation costs.

20.8 **Occupancy Permit and Attachment.** After all required make-ready work is completed, **SBC-13STATE** will issue an occupancy permit confirming that Attaching Party may attach specified facilities to **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure.

20.9 The Attaching Party must occupy the assigned space within a period not to exceed twelve (12) months from the issuance of the occupancy permit. If the Attaching Party does not occupy the assigned space within the twelve (12) month period, the Occupancy Permit will lapse and the space will be considered available for use by **SBC-13STATE** or Other User.

\***SBC CALIFORNIA** only: Space assignment shall not exceed nine (9) months in California.

20.10 The Attaching Party's obligation to pay semiannual pole attachment or conduit occupancy fees will commence on the date the Occupancy Permit is provided by **SBC-13STATE** to the Attaching Party.

## 21. CONSTRUCTION OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES

21.1 **Responsibility for Attaching and Placing Facilities.** The Attaching Party shall be responsible for the actual attachment of its facilities to **SBC-13STATE**'s poles and the placement of such facilities in **SBC-13STATE**'s ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way and shall be solely responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by it or on its behalf in connection with such activities.

21.2 **Construction Schedule.** After the issuance of an occupancy permit, Attaching Party shall provide **SBC-13STATE** with a construction schedule and thereafter keep **SBC-13STATE** informed of anticipated changes in the construction schedule.

## 22. USE AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES

22.1 **Routine Maintenance of Attaching Party's Facilities.** Each occupancy permit subject to this Agreement authorizes Attaching Party to engage in routine maintenance of facilities located on or within **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, and conduits. Routine maintenance does not include the replacement or modification of Attaching Party's facilities in any manner which results in Attaching Party's facilities differing substantially in size, weight, or physical characteristics from the facilities described in Attaching Party's occupancy permit. **SBC-13STATE** and CLEC further agree that CLEC shall pay to **SBC-13STATE** a penalty of \$1,000.00 for the first unauthorized entry into the conduit system, doubling with each additional violation.

- 22.2 Short-term Use of Maintenance Ducts for Repair and Maintenance Activities. Maintenance ducts shall be available to Attaching Party, on a nondiscriminatory basis, for short-term (not to exceed 30 days) non-emergency maintenance or repair activities by any entity with facilities in the conduit section in which the maintenance duct is located; provided, however, that use of the maintenance duct for non-emergency maintenance and repair activities must be scheduled by **SBC-13STATE**. A person or entity using the maintenance duct for non-emergency maintenance or repair activities shall immediately notify **SBC-13STATE** of such use and must either vacate the maintenance duct within 30 days or, with **SBC-13STATE**'s consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, rearrange its facilities to ensure that at least one full-sized replacement maintenance duct (or, if the designated maintenance duct was an inner duct, a suitable replacement inner duct) is available for use by all occupants in the conduit section within 30 days after such person or entity occupies the maintenance duct. Cables temporarily placed in the maintenance duct on a non-emergency basis shall be subject to such accommodations as may be necessary to rectify emergencies which may occur while the maintenance duct is occupied.

### 23. MODIFICATION OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES

- 23.1 Notification of Planned Modifications. Attaching Party shall notify **SBC-13STATE** in writing at least 30 days before adding to, relocating, replacing or otherwise modifying its facilities already attached to a **SBC-13STATE** Structure. The notice shall contain sufficient information to enable **SBC-13STATE** to determine whether the proposed addition, relocation, replacement, or modification is within the scope of Attaching Party's present occupancy permit or requires a new or amended occupancy permit.
- 23.2 Replacement of Facilities and Overlapping Additional Cables. Attaching Party may replace existing facilities with new facilities occupying the same **SBC-13STATE** Structure, and may overlap additional cables to its own existing facilities; provided, however, that such activities shall not be considered to be routine maintenance and shall be subject to the requirements of this article.

### 24. REQUIRED REARRANGEMENTS OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES

- 24.1 Required Rearrangement of Attaching Party's Facilities. Attaching Party agrees that Attaching Party will cooperate with **SBC-13STATE** and other users in making rearrangements to **SBC-13STATE** Structure as may be necessary, and that costs incurred by Attaching Party in making such rearrangements shall, in the absence of a specific agreement to the contrary, be borne by the parties in accordance with then applicable law.
- 24.2 Whenever feasible, **SBC-13STATE** shall give Attaching Party not less than 30 days prior written notice of the need for Attaching Party to rearrange its facilities pursuant to this section. The notice shall state the date by which such rearrangements are to be completed. Attaching Party shall complete such rearrangements within the time prescribed in the notice. If Attaching Party does not rearrange facilities within noted time, **SBC-13STATE** will rearrange at Attaching Party's expense.

### 25. EMERGENCY REPAIRS AND POLE REPLACEMENTS

- 25.1 Responsibility for Emergency Repairs; Access to Maintenance Duct. In general, each party shall be responsible for making emergency repairs to its own facilities and for formulating appropriate plans and practices enabling such party to make such repairs.
- 25.1.1 Nothing contained in this Appendix shall be construed as requiring either party to perform any repair or service restoration work of any kind with respect to the other party's facilities or the facilities of joint users.
- 25.1.2 Maintenance ducts shall be available, on a nondiscriminatory basis, for emergency repair activities by any entity with facilities in the conduit section in which the maintenance duct is located; provided, however, that an entity using the maintenance duct for emergency repair activities will notify **SBC-13STATE** within 12 hours of the current business day (or first business day following a non-business day) that such entity is entering the **SBC-13STATE** conduit system and using the maintenance duct



for emergency restoral purposes. The notice will include a description of the emergency and non-emergency services involved and an estimate of the completion time. Maintenance ducts will be used to restore the highest priority services, as defined in Section 2.7, first. Existing spare ducts may be used for restoration purposes providing the spare ducts are restored after restoration work is complete. Any spare ducts not returned will be included be assigned to the user of the duct and an occupancy permit issued.

- 25.1.3 The Attaching Party shall either vacate the maintenance duct within 30 days or, with **SBC-13STATE**'s consent, rearrange its facilities to ensure that at least one full-sized replacement maintenance duct (or, if the designated maintenance duct was an inner-duct, a suitable replacement inner-duct) is available for use by all occupants in the conduit section within 30 days after such person or entity occupies the maintenance ducts. Entities not vacating the maintenance duct must provide an immediate maintenance duct at the entity's cost.
- 25.2 Designation of Emergency Repair Coordinators and Other Information. For each **SBC-13STATE** construction district, Attaching Party shall provide **SBC-13STATE** with the emergency contact number of Attaching Party's designated point of contact for coordinating the handling of emergency repairs of Attaching Party's facilities and shall thereafter notify **SBC-13STATE** of changes to such information.
- 25.3 Order of Precedence of Work Operations; Access to Maintenance Duct and Other Unoccupied Ducts in Emergency Situations. When notice and coordination are practicable, **SBC-13STATE**, Attaching Party, and other affected parties shall coordinate repair and other work operations in emergency situations involving service disruptions. Disputes will be immediately resolved at the site by the affected parties present in accordance with the following principles.
- 25.3.1 Emergency service restoration work requirements shall take precedence over other work operations.
- 25.3.2 Except as otherwise agreed upon by the parties, restoration of lines for emergency services providers (e.g., 911, fire, police, national security and hospital lines) shall be given the highest priority and temporary occupancy of the maintenance duct (and, if necessary, other unoccupied ducts) shall be assigned in a manner consistent with this priority. Secondary priority shall be given to restoring services to the local service providers with the greatest numbers of local lines out of service due to the emergency being rectified. The parties shall exercise good faith in assigning priorities, shall base their decisions on the best information then available to them at the site in question, and may, by mutual agreement at the site, take other factors into consideration in assigning priorities and sequencing service restoration activities.
- 25.3.3 **SBC-13STATE** shall determine the order of precedence of work operations and assignment of duct space in the maintenance duct (and other unoccupied ducts) only if the affected parties present are unable to reach prompt agreement; provided, however, that these decisions shall be made by **SBC-13STATE** on a nondiscriminatory basis in accordance with the principles set forth in this section.
- 25.4 Emergency Pole Replacements.
- 25.4.1 When emergency pole replacements are required, **SBC-13STATE** shall promptly make a good faith effort to contact Attaching Party to notify Attaching Party of the emergency and to determine whether Attaching Party will respond to the emergency in a timely manner.
- 25.4.2 If notified by **SBC-13STATE** that an emergency exists which will require the replacement of a pole, Attaching Party shall transfer its facilities immediately, provided such transfer is necessary to rectify the emergency. If the transfer is to an **SBC-13STATE** replacement pole, the transfer shall be in accordance with **SBC-13STATE**'s placement instructions.
- 25.4.3 If Attaching Party is unable to respond to the emergency situation immediately, Attaching Party shall so advise **SBC-13STATE** and thereby authorize **SBC-13STATE** (or any Other User sharing the pole with **SBC-13STATE**) to perform such emergency-necessitated transfers (and associated facilities rearrangements) on Attaching Party's behalf.

25.5 Expenses Associated with Emergency Repairs. Each party shall bear all reasonable expenses arising out of or in connection with emergency repairs of its own facilities and transfers or rearrangements of such facilities associated with emergency pole replacements made in accordance with the provisions of this article.

25.5.1 Each party shall be solely responsible for paying all persons and entities who provide materials, labor, access to real or personal property, or other goods or services in connection with any such repair, transfer, or rearrangement of such party's facilities.

25.5.2 Attaching Party shall reimburse **SBC-13STATE** for the costs incurred by **SBC-13STATE** for work performed by **SBC-13STATE** on Attaching Party's behalf in accordance with the provisions of this article.

## 26. INSPECTION BY SBC OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES

26.1 Post-Construction Inspections. **SBC-13STATE** will, *at its option and sole expense, at the attaching party's expense*, conduct a post-construction inspection of the Attaching Party's attachment of facilities to **SBC-13STATE's** Structures for the purpose of determining the conformance of the attachments to the occupancy permit. **SBC-13STATE** will provide the Attaching Party advance written notice of proposed date and time of the post-construction inspection. The Attaching Party may accompany **SBC-13STATE** on the post-construction inspection.

26.2 Right to Make Periodic or Spot Inspections. **SBC-13STATE** shall have the right, but not the obligation, to make periodic or spot inspections of all facilities attached to **SBC-13STATE's** Structure. These inspections will not be made more often than once every 2 years unless in **SBC-13STATE's** judgement such inspections are required for reasons involving safety or because of an alleged violation of the terms of this Agreement.

26.3 If Attaching Party's facilities are in compliance with this Appendix, there will be no charges incurred by the Attaching Party for the periodic or spot inspection. If Attaching Party's facilities are not in compliance with this Appendix, **SBC-13STATE** may charge Attaching Party for the inspection. The costs of Periodic Inspections will be paid by those Attaching Parties with 2% or greater of their attachments in violation. The amount paid by the Attaching Party shall be the percentage that their violations bear to the total violations of all Attaching Parties found during the inspection.

26.4 If the inspection reflects that Attaching Party's facilities are not in compliance with the terms of this Appendix, Attaching Party shall bring its facilities into compliance within 30 days after being notified of such noncompliance. If any make ready or modification work to **SBC-13STATE's** Structures is required to bring Attaching Party's facilities into compliance, the Attaching Party shall provide notice to **SBC-13STATE** and the make ready work or modification will be treated in the same fashion as make ready work or modifications for a new request for attachment.

## 27. TAGGING OF FACILITIES AND UNAUTHORIZED ATTACHMENTS

27.1 Facilities to Be Marked. Attaching Party shall tag or otherwise mark all of Attaching Party's facilities placed on or in **SBC-13STATE's** Structure in a manner sufficient to identify the facilities as those belonging to the Attaching Party.

27.2 Removal of Untagged Facilities. **SBC-13STATE** may, *upon written notice to the Attaching Party and after providing the Attaching Party the opportunity to correct any deficiencies under the terms of this Appendix without notice to any person or entity*, without notice to any person or entity remove from **SBC-13STATE's** poles or any part of **SBC-13STATE's** conduit system the Attaching Party's *untagged* facilities, if **SBC-13STATE** determines that such facilities are not the subject of a current occupancy permit and are not otherwise lawfully present on **SBC-13STATE's** poles or in **SBC-13STATE's** conduit system.

27.3 Notice to Attaching Party. If any of Attaching Party's facilities for which no occupancy permit is presently in effect are found attached to **SBC-13STATE's** poles or anchors or within any part of **SBC-13STATE's**

conduit system, **SBC-13STATE**, without prejudice to other rights or remedies available to **SBC-13STATE** under this Appendix, and without prejudice to any rights or remedies which may exist independent of this Appendix or the Agreement, shall send a written notice to Attaching Party advising Attaching Party that no occupancy permit is presently in effect with respect to the facilities and that Attaching Party must, within 30 days, respond to the notice as provided in Section 27.6 of this Appendix.

- 27.4 **Attaching Party's Response.** Within 60 days after receiving a notice under Section 27.5 of this Appendix, Attaching Party shall acknowledge receipt of the notice and submit to **SBC-13STATE**, in writing, an application for a new or amended occupancy permit with respect to such facilities.
- 27.5 **Approval of Request and Retroactive Charges.** If **SBC-13STATE** approves Attaching Party's application for a new or amended occupancy permit, Attaching Party shall be liable to **SBC-13STATE** for all fees and charges associated with the unauthorized attachments as specified in Section 27.10 of this Appendix. The issuance of a new or amended occupancy permit as provided by this article shall not operate retroactively or constitute a waiver by **SBC-13STATE** of any of its rights or privileges under this Appendix or otherwise.
- 27.6 **Attachment and occupancy fees and charges shall continue to accrue until the unauthorized facilities are removed from **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, conduit system or rights of way or until a new or amended occupancy permit is issued and shall include, but not be limited to, all fees and charges which would have been due and payable if Attaching Party and its predecessors had continuously complied with all applicable **SBC-13STATE** licensing requirements as outlined SBC's CLEC On-line website – <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>. Such fees and charges shall be due and payable 30 days after the date of the bill or invoice stating such fees and charges. Provided, however, that in no event shall the period for back billed fees and charges exceed two (2) years. The Attaching Party shall be liable for an unauthorized attachment or occupancy fee in the amount of \$500.00 per unauthorized pole attachment and \$500.00 per unauthorized conduit foot. Attaching Party shall rearrange or remove its unauthorized facilities at **SBC-13STATE**'s request to comply with applicable placement standards, shall remove its facilities from any space occupied by or assigned to **SBC-13STATE** or another Other User, and shall pay **SBC-13STATE** for all costs incurred by **SBC-13STATE** in connection with any rearrangements, modifications, or replacements necessitated as a result of the presence of Attaching Party's unauthorized facilities.**
- 27.7 **Removal of Unauthorized Attachments.** If Attaching Party does not obtain a new or amended occupancy permit with respect to unauthorized facilities within the specified period of time, **SBC-13STATE** shall by written notice advise Attaching Party to remove its unauthorized facilities not less than 60 days from the date of notice and Attaching Party shall remove the facilities within the time specified in the notice. If the facilities have not been removed within the time specified in the notice, **SBC-13STATE** may, at **SBC-13STATE**'s option, remove Attaching Party's facilities at Attaching Party's expense.
- 27.8 **No Ratification of Unpermitted Attachments or Unauthorized Use of **SBC-13STATE**'s Facilities.** No act or failure to act by **SBC-13STATE** with regard to any unauthorized attachment or occupancy or unauthorized use of **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure shall be deemed to constitute a ratification by **SBC-13STATE** of the unauthorized attachment or occupancy or use. , nor shall the payment by Attaching Party of fees and charges for unauthorized pole attachments or conduit occupancy exonerate Attaching Party from liability for any trespass or other illegal or wrongful conduct in connection with the placement or use of such unauthorized facilities.

## 28. REMOVAL OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES

- 28.1 When Applicant no longer intends to occupy space on a **SBC-13STATE** pole or in a **SBC-13STATE** duct or conduit, Applicant will provide written notification to **SBC-13STATE** that it wishes to terminate the occupancy permit with respect to such space and will remove its facilities from the space described in the notice. Upon removal of Applicant's facilities, the occupancy permit shall terminate and the space shall be available for reassignment.

28.1.1 Attaching Party shall be responsible for and shall bear all expenses arising out of or in connection with the removal of its facilities from **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure.

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- 28.1.2 Except as otherwise agreed upon in writing by the parties, Applicant must, after removing its facilities, plug all previously occupied ducts at the entrances to **SBC-13STATE**'s manholes.
- 28.1.3 Applicant shall be solely responsible for the removal of its own facilities from **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure.
- 28.2 At **SBC-13STATE**'s request, Attaching Party shall remove from **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure any of Attaching Party's facilities which are no longer in active use. Upon request, the Attaching Party will provide proof satisfactory to **SBC-13STATE** that an Attaching Party's facility is in active service. Attaching Party shall not abandon any of its facilities by leaving such facilities on or in **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure.
- 28.3 Removal Following Termination of Occupancy permit. Attaching Party shall remove its facilities from **SBC-13STATE**'s poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way within 60 days after termination of the occupancy permit. *Notwithstanding the foregoing, if removal of Attaching Party's facilities will - in the exercise of due diligence - take longer than sixty (60) days, Attaching Party shall be granted a reasonable period of time to remove its facilities.*
- 28.4 Removal Following Replacement of Facilities. Attaching Party shall remove facilities no longer in service from **SBC-13STATE**'s Structures within 60 days after the date Attaching Party replaces existing facilities on a pole or in a conduit with substitute facilities on the same pole or in the same conduit. *Notwithstanding the foregoing, if removal of Attaching Party's facilities will - in the exercise of due diligence - take longer than sixty (60) days, Attaching Party shall be granted a reasonable period of time to remove its facilities.*
- 28.5 Removal to Avoid Forfeiture. If the presence of Attaching Party's facilities on or in **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure would cause a forfeiture of the rights of **SBC-13STATE** to occupy the property where such Structure is located, **SBC-13STATE** will promptly notify Attaching Party in writing and Attaching Party shall not, without due cause and justification, refuse to remove its facilities within such time as may be required to prevent such forfeiture. **SBC-13STATE** will give Attaching Party not less than 60 days from the date of notice to remove Attaching Party's facilities unless prior removal is required to prevent the forfeiture of **SBC-13STATE**'s rights. At Attaching Party's request, the parties will engage in good faith negotiations with each other, with Other Users, and with third-party property owners and cooperatively take such other steps as may be necessary to avoid the unnecessary removal of Attaching Party's facilities.
- 28.6 Removal of Facilities by **SBC-13STATE**; Notice of Intent to Remove. If Attaching Party fails to remove its facilities from **SBC-13STATE**'s Structure in accordance with the provisions of Sections 28.1-28.6 of this Appendix, **SBC-13STATE** may remove such facilities and store them at Attaching Party's expense in a public warehouse or elsewhere without being deemed guilty of trespass or conversion and without becoming liable to Attaching Party for any injury, loss, or damage resulting from such actions. **SBC-13STATE** shall give Attaching Party not less than 60 days prior written notice of its intent to remove Attaching Party's facilities pursuant to this section.
- 28.7 Removal of Facilities by **SBC-13STATE**. If **SBC-13STATE** removes any of Attaching Party's facilities pursuant to this article, Attaching Party shall reimburse **SBC-13STATE** for **SBC-13STATE**'s costs in connection with the removal, storage, delivery, or other disposition of the removed facilities.

## 29. RATES, FEES, CHARGES, AND BILLING

- 29.1 Rates, Charges and Fees Subject to Applicable Laws, Regulations, Rules, and Commission Orders. All rates, charges and fees outlined in this Appendix will be set forth in APPENDIX PRICING as part of the Interconnection Agreement. All rates, charges and fees shall be subject to all applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and commission orders.
- 29.2 Changes to Rates, Charges and Fees. Subject to applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations and orders, **SBC-13STATE** shall have the right to change the rates, charges and fees outlined in this Appendix. **SBC-13STATE** will provide the Attaching Party 60 days written notice, advising the Attaching Party of the

specific changes being made and the effective date of the change. If the changes outlined in the notice are not acceptable to the Attaching Party, Attaching Party may either (1) seek renegotiation of this Appendix, (2) terminate this Appendix, or (3) seek relief through the dispute resolution process in the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.

### 30. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

30.1 **Bond May Be Required.** **SBC-13STATE** may require Attaching Party, authorized contractors, and other persons acting on Attaching Party's behalf to execute performance and payment bonds (or provide other forms of security) in amounts and on terms sufficient to guarantee the performance of the Attaching Party's obligations *relating to construction* arising out of or in connection with this Appendix.

30.1.1 If requested, a bond or similar form of assurance is required of Attaching Party, an authorized contractor, or other person acting on Attaching Party's behalf, Attaching Party shall promptly submit to **SBC-13STATE** adequate proof that the bond remains in full force and effect and provide certification from the company issuing the bond that the bond will not be cancelled, changed or materially altered without first providing **SBC-13STATE** 60 days written notice.

30.2 **Payment and Performance Bonds in Favor of Contractors and Subcontractors.** Attaching Party shall be responsible for paying all employees, contractors, subcontractors, mechanics, material men and other persons or entities performing work or providing materials in connection with Attaching Party's performance under this Appendix. In the event any lien, claim or demand is made on **SBC-13STATE** by any such employee, contractor, subcontractor, mechanic, material man, or other person or entity providing such materials or performing such work, **SBC-13STATE** may require, in addition to any security provided under Section 30.1 of this Appendix, that Attaching Party execute payment or performance bonds, or provide such other security, as **SBC-13STATE** may deem reasonable or necessary to protect **SBC-13STATE** from any such lien, claim or demand.

### 31. NOTICES

31.1 **Notices to Attaching Party.** All written notices required to be given to a party under this Appendix shall be delivered or mailed to the party's duly authorized agent or attorney, as designated in this section.

31.1.1 Such notice may be delivered to the party's duly authorized agent or attorney in person or by agent or courier receipted delivery.

31.1.2 Such notice may be mailed to the party's duly authorized agent or attorney by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. When notice is given by mail, such notice shall be complete upon deposit of the notice, enclosed in a postpaid, properly addressed wrapper, in a post office or official depository under the care and control of the United States Postal Service and shall be deemed to have been given three days after the date of deposit.

31.1.3 Notices to a party shall be sent to the authorized agent or attorney designated below:

NOTICE CONTACT	ATTACHING PARTY	SBC-13STATE CONTACT
NAME/TITLE	LEC Relations Manager	Contract Management ATTN: Notices Manager
STREET ADDRESS	3100 Wilcrest Dr Suite 200.	311 S. Akard, 9 <sup>th</sup> Floor Four SBC Plaza
CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE	Houston, TX 77042	Dallas, TX 75202-5398
FACSIMILE NUMBER	713-655-7996	214-464-2006

31.2 **Changes in Notice Requirements.** Either party may, from time to time, change notice addressees and addresses by giving written notice of such change to the other party. Such notice shall state, at a minimum, the name, title, firm, and full address of the new addressee.

# **APPENDIX LAWFUL UNES ( PROVISION OF ACCESS TO UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS)**

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## APPENDIX LAWFUL UNEs (LAWFUL PROVISION OF ACCESS TO UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS)

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix Lawful UNEs sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC)-owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) agrees to furnish CLEC with access to lawful unbundled network elements as specifically defined in this Appendix Lawful UNEs for the provision by CLEC of a Telecommunications Service pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. ***The Parties expressly acknowledge that this Appendix does not address network elements, if any, that may be required to be unbundled under Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act and both parties expressly reserve their rights to address all Section 271 network unbundling related issues in a separate agreement or via appropriate regulatory or judicial proceedings.*** For information regarding deposit, billing, payment, non-payment, disconnect, and dispute resolution, see the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.
- 1.1.1 ***TelCove's markup that follows is relevant only to the extent that a Commission should ultimately deem the issue arbitratable and reject TelCove's position relating to the FCC's interim rule applicability. FCC Interim Order (Released August 20 2004) maintains the status quo of all UNEs that existed and were available at a set price as of June 15, 2004. TelCove expressly reserves its rights and does not wish to waive its rights to obtain unbundled network elements that are currently available to it under the FCC's interim rules. TelCove is willing to consider any alternative language proposal or mechanism that would fully reflect the high likelihood of permanent UNE rules from the FCC by year end.***
- 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** an 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 ILEC 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-13STATE** agrees to provide electronic access to its Directory Assistance (DA) database are contained in the applicable Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable Commissioned ordered tariff where stated.

## 2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 **Lawful UNEs and Declassification Declassified UNEs.** This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which **SBC-13STATE** will provide CLEC with access to unbundled network elements under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act in **SBC-13STATE's** incumbent local exchange areas for the provision of Telecommunications Services by CLEC; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, **SBC-13STATE** shall be obligated to provide UNEs only to the extent required by Sections 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC *and State Commission* rules and associated lawful and effective FCC, *State Commission* and judicial orders, and may decline to provide UNEs to the extent that provision of the UNE(s) is not required by Sections 251(c)(3) of the Act *and any applicable state laws*, as determined by lawful and effective FCC *and State Commission* rules and associated lawful and effective FCC, *State Commission* and judicial orders. **UNEs that SBC-13STATE is required to provide pursuant to Sections 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC, and judicial orders shall be referred to in this Agreement as "Lawful UNEs."**
- 2.2 ***As a result of the FCC's Triennial Review Order, (Triennial Review Order released by the FCC on August 21, 2003 in CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98 and 98-147 (the "Triennial Review Order" or "TRO"), certain types of local loops, shared and dedicated transport, and local switching were removed from the FCC's list of Section 251 Unbundled Network Elements ("Declassified UNE's") because the FCC concluded that CLECs were not impaired by the unavailability of these network elements as UNEs under Section 251 of the Act. In addition, the FCC determined that CLECs would have access to certain elements as UNEs pursuant to Section 251 only under certain circumstances, and further directed the state commissions to determine whether CLECs are impaired without access to local switching as a UNE under Section 251 in particular geographic market areas and impaired without access to certain loops and transport routes as UNEs under Section 251. The D.C. Circuit in USTA II (359 F.3d 554 March 2, 2004) vacated and remanded certain aspects of the TRO and also ruled that the FCC's reliance on the state commissions to make findings of impairment was an unavailable delegation of the FCC's authority. The D.C. Circuit's decision has been appealed. At the time the parties are negotiating this Agreement, the D.C. Circuit's mandate has issued, but the FCC has yet to issue permanent UNE rules under Section 251 in response to the D.C. Circuit's vacatur and remand. As a result, the Parties have determined it is appropriate to establish a process in this Agreement to address Declassified UNEs, the network elements that continue to be available to CLECs ("Available UNEs") and to address the potential for one or more Declassified UNEs to be reinstated as Available UNEs under Section 251 as a result of a court, FCC or \_\_\_state Commission decision.***
- 2.2.1 ***In this Appendix the terms "Declassified" or "Declassification" mean the situation where SBC13STATE is not required, or is no longer required, to provide a network element on an unbundled basis pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act as a result of the issuance of a finding by the FCC that requesting telecommunications carriers are not impaired without access to a particular network element on an unbundled basis. A Lawful UNE network element, including a network element referred to as under this Agreement, will cease to be a Lawful UNE under this Agreement if it is no longer required by Sections 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC and State Commission rules and associated lawful and effective FCC, State Commission and judicial orders. Without limitation, a Lawful UNE that has ceased to be a Lawful UNE may also be referred to as "Declassified." The Parties agree that the FCC in its Triennial Review Order determined that interconnection facilities that ILECs are required to provide for Section 251(c)(2) interconnection are not appropriately included in the definition of dedicated transport and thus will not be subject to Declassification.***
- 2.2.2 ***CLEC is not entitled to obtain (or continue to have) access to any network element on an unbundled basis at rates set under Section 252(d)(1), whether provided alone, or in combination with other UNEs or services (e.g., combined or commingled), once such***

*network element has been Declassified by the FCC and no longer is an Available UNE.* Without limitation a network element, including a network element referred to as a Lawful UNE under this Agreement is Declassified, upon or by (a) the issuance of the mandate in *United States Telecom Association v. FCC*, 290 F.3d 415 (D.C. Cir. 2002) ("USTA I"); or (b) operation of the *Triennial Review Order* released by the FCC on August 21, 2003 in CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98 and 98-147 (the "Triennial Review Order" or "TRO"), which became effective as of October 2, 2003, including rules promulgated thereby; or (c) the issuance of a legally effective finding by a court or regulatory agency acting within its lawful authority that requesting Telecommunications Carriers are not impaired without access to a particular network element on an unbundled basis; or (d) the issuance of the mandate in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals' decision, *United States Telecom Association v. FCC*, Case No. 00-1012 (D.C. Cir. 2004) ("USTA II"); or (e) the issuance of any valid law, order or rule by the Congress, FCC or a judicial body stating that SBC-13STATE is not required, or is no longer required, to provide a network element on an unbundled basis pursuant to Sections 251(c)(3) of the Act. By way of example only, a network element can cease to be a Lawful UNE or be Declassified on an element-specific, route-specific or geographically-specific basis or a class of elements basis. Under any scenario, Section 2.5 "Transition Procedure" shall apply.

2.2.2.1 By way of example only, and without limitation, network elements that are Declassified include at least the following: (i) any unbundled dedicated transport or dark fiber facility that is no longer encompassed within the definition of unbundled dedicated transport or dark fiber set forth in the FCC's lawful and applicable rules (including, but not limited to entrance facilities and Dedicated Transport at any level other than DS1 and DS3); (ii) DS1 Dedicated Transport, DS3 Dedicated Transport, DS1 Loop, DS3 Loop, or Dark Fiber Transport on a route(s) or in an area as to which it is determined that requesting Telecommunications Carriers are not impaired without access to such elements; (iii) Local Switching for Enterprise Customers (as defined in Section 11 of this Appendix); (iv) Local Switching for Mass Market Customers (as defined in Section 11 of this Appendix) in any market in which it is determined that requesting Telecommunications Carriers are not impaired without access to such element; (v) to the extent it constitutes a Lawful UNE, Local Switching subject to the FCC's four-line carve-out rule as described in *Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, CC Docket No. 96-98, 15 FCC Rcd 3822-31 (1999), per 47 CFR § 51.319(d)(3)(ii); (vi) OCn Loops and OCn Dedicated Transport; (vii) the Feeder portion of the Loop; (viii) Line Sharing; (ix) an EEL that does not meet the Mandatory Eligibility Criteria set forth in Section 2.19 of this Appendix; (x) any Call-Related Database, other than the 911 and E911 databases, that is not provisioned in connection with CLEC's use of SBC-13STATE's Lawful ULS for Mass Market Customers (as defined in Section 11 of this Appendix); (xi) SS7 signaling that is not provisioned in connection with CLEC's use of SBC-13STATE's Lawful UNE Local Switching for Mass Market Customers (as defined in Section 11 of this Appendix), to the extent Local Switching for Mass Market Customers constitutes a Lawful UNE; (xii) Packet switching, including routers and DSLAMs; (xiii) the packetized bandwidth, features, functions, capabilities, electronics and other equipment used to transmit packetized information over Hybrid Loops (as defined in 47 CFR 51.319 (a)(2)), including without limitation, xDSL-capable line cards installed in digital loop carrier ("DLC") systems or equipment used to provide passive optical networking ("PON") capabilities; (xiv) Fiber-to-the-Home Loops (as defined in 47 CFR 51.319(a)(3)) ("FTTH Loops"), except to the extent that SBC-13STATE has deployed such fiber in parallel to, or in replacement of, an existing copper loop facility and elects to retire the copper loop, in which case SBC-13STATE will provide nondiscriminatory access to a 64

kilobits per second transmission path capable of voice grade service over the FTTH loop on an unbundled basis; or (xv) any element or class of elements as to which a general determination is made that requesting Telecommunications Carriers are not impaired without access to such element or class of elements; and

- 2.2.2.2 Pursuant to *USTA II*, at least the following elements are also Declassified, as of the issuance of the *USTA II* mandate: (i) DS1 and DS3 dedicated transport; (ii) DS1 and DS3 loops; (iii) dedicated transport and loop dark fiber; and (iv) Local Switching for Mass Market Customers as defined in Section 11.2. *Reserved for future use.*
- 2.2.2.3 *Reserved for future use.* At a minimum, at least the items set forth in this Section 2.1 shall not constitute Lawful UNEs under this Agreement.
- 2.2.3 It is the Parties' intent that only Lawful UNEs shall be available under this Agreement; accordingly, if this Agreement requires or appears to require Lawful UNE(s) or unbundling without specifically noting that the UNE(s) or unbundling must be "Lawful" the reference shall be deemed to be a reference to Lawful UNE(s) or Lawful unbundling, as defined in this Section 2.1.
- 2.2.4 By way of example only, if terms and conditions of this Agreement state that SBC-13STATE is required to provide a Lawful UNE or Lawful UNE combination or other arrangement including a "Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport," and Dedicated Transport is Declassified or is otherwise no longer a Lawful UNE, then SBC-13STATE shall not be obligated to provide the item under this Agreement as an unbundled network element, whether alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement under the Agreement.
- 2.3 Nothing contained in the Agreement shall be deemed to constitute consent by SBC-13STATE that any item identified in this Agreement as a UNE *or*, network element or Lawful UNE is a network element or UNE under Sections 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by *lawful and effective FCC or State Commission* rules and associated *lawful and effective FCC, State Commission* and judicial orders, that SBC-13STATE is required to provide to CLEC alone, or in combination with other network elements or UNEs (*Lawful or otherwise*), or commingled with other network elements, UNEs (*Lawful or otherwise*) or other services or facilities. *Nothing contained herein or excluded from this Appendix shall be deemed to constitute consent by CLEC that any item not identified in this Appendix as an Available UNE or network element is not a network element or Available UNE under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by effective FCC or State Commission rules and associated effective FCC, State Commission and judicial orders, that SBC-13STATE is not required to provide to CLEC alone, or in combination with other network elements or UNEs, or commingled with other network elements UNEs, or other services or facilities.*
- 2.4 The preceding includes without limitation that SBC-13STATE shall not be obligated to provide combinations (whether considered new, pre-existing or existing) or other arrangements (including, where applicable, Commingled Arrangements) involving SBC-13STATE network elements that do not constitute Lawful UNEs, or where Lawful UNEs are not requested for permissible purposes.
- 2.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any Amendment to this Agreement, including but not limited to intervening law, change in law or other substantively similar provision in the Agreement or any Amendment, if an element described as an unbundled network element or Lawful UNE in this Agreement is Declassified or is otherwise no longer a Lawful UNE, then the Transition Procedure defined in Section 2.5, below, shall govern.
- 2.6 Transition Procedure. *In accordance with, but only to the extent required by the Act, including the lawful and effective FCC rules and associated FCC, [ ] Commission, and judicial orders, SBC-13STATE and CLEC will abide by any Declassification transitional procedures that may be established by the FCC or the [ ] Commission for specific unbundled network elements that are*

*Declassified and which are being used by CLEC as of the date on which Declassification occurs and eliminates CLEC's right to access the element as a UNE under Section 251. SBC-13STATE shall only be obligated to provide Lawful UNEs under this Agreement. To the extent an element described as a Lawful UNE or an unbundled network element in this Agreement is Declassified or is otherwise no longer a Lawful UNE pursuant to a final FCC, State Commission or judicial order, SBC-13STATE may discontinue the provision of such element, whether previously provided alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement with other Lawful UNEs or other elements or services. Accordingly, in the event one or more elements described as Lawful UNEs or as unbundled network elements in this Agreement is Declassified or is otherwise no longer a Lawful UNE, SBC-13STATE will provide written notice to CLEC of its discontinuance of the element(s) and/or the combination or other arrangement in which the element(s) has been previously provided. The Declassification transition procedures established by the FCC or the [ ] Commission, shall apply. In the situation where there are no transition procedures established by the FCC or the [ ] Commission, SBC-13STATE will notify CLEC in writing as to any Available UNE that has been or becomes Declassified as a result of FCC or [ ] Commission order. During a transitional period of forty-five (45) days from the date of such notice, SBC-13STATE agrees to continue providing the Declassified network element(s) identified in the notice to CLEC under the terms of this Appendix. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Appendix, at the end of that forty-five (45) day period, unless CLEC has submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC-13STATE requesting disconnection or other discontinuance of the Declassified UNEs, SBC-13STATE shall convert the Declassified UNEs to an analogous access service, if available, or if no analogous access service is available, to such other service arrangement as SBC-13STATE and CLEC may agree upon (e.g., via a separate agreement at market-based rates or resale); provided, however, that where there is no analogous access service, if CLEC and SBC-13STATE have failed to reach agreement as to a substitute service within such forty-five (45) day period or other period of time for negotiation to which the Parties agree, then CLEC may initiate a BFR for the Declassified network element(s). If CLEC does not initiate a BFR within a forty-five (45) day period, then SBC-13STATE may disconnect the Declassified network element(s). The Parties agree that a true-up of rates may be necessary so that the new price of the Declassified UNE becomes effective after the forty-five (45) day period, unless the Parties agree upon a later effective date. During a transitional period of thirty (30) days from the date of such notice, SBC-13STATE agrees to continue providing such element(s) under the terms of this Agreement. Upon receipt of such written notice CLEC will cease ordering new elements that are identified as Declassified or as otherwise no longer being a Lawful UNE in the SBC-13STATE notice letter referenced in this Section 2.5. SBC-13STATE reserves the right to audit the CLEC orders transmitted to SBC-13STATE and to the extent that the CLEC has processed orders and such orders are provisioned after this 30-day transitional period, such elements are still subject to this Section 2.5, including the options set forth in (a) and (b) below, and SBC-13STATE's rights of discontinuance or conversion in the event the options are not accomplished. During such 30-day transitional period, the following options are available to CLEC with regard to the element(s) identified in the SBC-13STATE notice, including the combination or other arrangement in which the element(s) were previously provided:*

- (a) Where the Declassified network element(s) are converted by SBC-13STATE (and not as a result of CLEC submitting an ASR or LSR ordering the conversion) to an analogous access service, SBC-13STATE shall provide such service(s) at the monthly recurring rates, and in accordance with the terms and conditions of SBC-13STATE applicable access tariff, including any term or volume discounts CLEC may be entitled to under that tariff, with the effective bill date being the first day following expiration of the forty-five (45) day notice period. CLEC shall not be required to pay termination charges, if any, for any Declassified element(s) that CLEC requests SBC-13STATE to disconnect. CLEC may issue an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to seek disconnection or other discontinuance of the element(s) and/or the combination or other arrangement in which the element(s) were previously provided; or*
- (b) The Parties recognize that, during the term of this Agreement, the FCC and/or [ ]s Commission may order that one or more Declassified network elements shall be provided by SBC-13STATE*

*as an unbundled network element under Section 251 of the Act or under state law ("Re-Available UNE"). No later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of such order, SBC-13state shall begin accepting orders for and provisioning such Re-Available UNE(s). In addition, no later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of such order, SBC-13STATE shall begin accepting orders for conversion of wholesale services (e.g., special access services, resold services, and network elements provided under Section 271) to Available or Re-Available UNEs under Section 251. The terms and conditions in Section \_\_\_\_ of this Attachment shall apply to such conversions. Special access termination charges shall not apply for converted circuits SBC-13STATE and CLEC may agree upon another service arrangement or element (e.g. via a separate agreement at market-based rates or resale), or may agree that an analogous access product or service may be substituted, if available.*

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including any amendments to this Agreement, at the end of that *six month* thirty (30) day transitional period, unless CLEC has submitted a disconnect/discontinuance LSR or ASR, as applicable, under (a), above, and if CLEC and SBC-13STATE have failed to reach agreement, under (b), above, as to a substitute service arrangement or element, then SBC-13STATE may, at its sole option, disconnect the element(s), whether previously provided alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement, or convert the subject element(s), whether alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement to an analogous resale or access service, if available.

- 2.6.1 The provisions set forth in this Section 2.5 "Transition Period" are self-effectuating, and the Parties understand and agree that no amendment shall be required to this Agreement in order for the provisions of this Section 2.5 "Transition Period" to be implemented or effective as provided above. Further, Section 2.5 "Transition Period" governs the situation where an unbundled network element or Lawful UNE under this Agreement is Declassified or is otherwise no longer a Lawful UNE, even where the Agreement may already include an intervening law, change in law or other substantively similar provisions. The rights and obligations set forth in Section 2.5, above, apply in addition to any other rights and obligations that may be created by such intervening law, change in law or other substantively similar provision.
- 2.6.2 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or in any Amendment, SBC-13STATE shall have no obligation to provide, and CLEC is not entitled to obtain (or continue with) access to any network element on an unbundled basis at rates set under Section 252(d)(1), whether provided alone, or in combination with other UNEs or otherwise, once such network element has been or is Declassified or is otherwise no longer a Lawful UNE. The preceding includes without limitation that SBC-13STATE shall not be obligated to provide combinations (whether considered new, pre-existing or existing) involving SBC-13STATE network elements that do not constitute Lawful UNEs, or where Lawful UNEs are not requested for permissible purposes.
- 2.7 SBC-13STATE and CLEC may agree to connect CLEC's facilities with SBC-13STATE's network at any technically feasible point for access to Lawful UNEs for the provision by CLEC of a Telecommunications Service. (Act, Section 251(c)(2)(B); 47 CFR § 51.305(a)(2)(vi)).
- 2.8 SBC-13STATE will provide CLEC nondiscriminatory access to Lawful UNEs (Act, Section 251(c)(3), Act, 47 CFR § 51.307(a)):
- 2.8.1 At any technically feasible point (Act, Section 251(c)(3); 47 CFR § 51.307(a));
- 2.8.2 At the rates, terms, and conditions which are just, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory (Act, Section 251(c)(3); 47 CFR § 51.307(a));
- 2.8.3 In a manner that allows CLEC to provide a Telecommunications Service that may be offered by means of that Lawful UNE (Act, Section 251(c)(3); 47 CFR § 51.307 (c);

- 2.8.4 In a manner that allows access to the facility or functionality of a requested Lawful UNE to be provided separately from access to other elements, and for a separate charge (47 CFR § 51.307(d));
- 2.8.5 With technical information regarding **SBC-13STATE**'s network facilities to enable CLEC to achieve access to Lawful UNEs (47 CFR § 51.307(e));
- 2.8.6 Without limitations, restrictions, or requirements on requests that would impair CLEC's ability to provide a Telecommunications Service in a manner it intends (47 CFR § 51.309(a));
- 2.8.7 *In a manner that allows CLEC purchasing access to Lawful UNEs to use such Lawful UNEs to provide exchange access service to itself in order to provide interexchange services to subscribers (47 CFR § 51.309(b));*
- 2.8.8 Where applicable, terms and conditions of access to Lawful UNEs shall be no less favorable than terms and conditions under which **SBC-13STATE** provides such elements to itself (47 CFR § 51.313(b)).
- 2.8.9 Only to the extent it has been determined that these elements are required by the "necessary" and "impair" standards of the Act *and are Available UNEs (Act, Section 251(d)(2)).*
- 2.8.10 Except upon request of CLEC, **SBC-13STATE** shall not separate CLEC-requested Lawful UNEs that are currently combined. (47 CFR § 51.315(b)) **SBC-13STATE** is not prohibited from or otherwise limited in separating any Lawful UNEs not requested by CLEC or a Telecommunications Carrier, including without limitation in order to provide a Lawful UNE(s) or other **SBC-13STATE** offering(s).
- 2.9 As provided for herein, **SBC-13STATE** will permit CLEC exclusive use of a Lawful UNE facility for a period of time, and when CLEC is purchasing access to a feature, function, or capability of such a facility, **SBC-13STATE** will provide use of that feature, function, or capability for a period of time (47 CFR § 51.309(c)).
- 2.10 **SBC-13STATE** will maintain, repair, or replace Lawful UNEs (47 CFR § 51.309(c)) as provided for in this Agreement.
- 2.11 To the extent technically feasible, the quality of the Lawful UNE and access to such Lawful UNE shall be at least equal to what **SBC-13STATE** provides itself or any subsidiary, affiliate, or other party (47 CFR § 51.311(a), (b)).
- 2.12 Each Party shall be solely responsible for the services it provides to its End Users and to other Telecommunications Carriers.
- 2.13 Lawful UNEs provided to CLEC under the provisions of this Appendix shall remain the property of **SBC-13STATE**.
- 2.14 Performance of Lawful UNEs
  - 2.14.1 Each Lawful UNE will be provided in accordance with **SBC-13STATE** Technical Publications or other written descriptions, if any, as changed from time to time by **SBC-13STATE** at its sole discretion.
  - 2.14.2 Nothing in this Appendix will limit either Party's ability to modify its network through the incorporation of new equipment, new software or otherwise. Each Party will provide the other Party written notice of any upgrades in its network which will materially impact the other Party's service consistent with 47 CFR § 51.325.
  - 2.14.3 **SBC-13STATE** may elect to conduct Central Office switch conversions for the improvement of its network. During such conversions, CLEC orders for Lawful UNEs from that switch shall be suspended for a period of three days prior and one day after the conversion date, consistent with the suspension **SBC-13STATE** places on itself for orders from its End Users.
  - 2.14.4 CLEC will be solely responsible, at its own expense, for the overall design of its Telecommunications Services and for any redesigning or rearrangement of its Telecommunications Services which may

be required because of changes in facilities, operations, or procedure of **SBC-13STATE**, minimum network protection criteria, or operating or maintenance characteristics of the facilities.

## 2.15 Conditions for Access to Lawful UNEs

2.15.1 In order to access and use Lawful UNEs, CLEC must be a Telecommunications Carrier (Section 251(c)(3)), and must use the Lawful UNE(s) for the provision of a Telecommunications Service (Section 251(c)(3)). Together, these conditions are the "Statutory Conditions" for access to Lawful UNEs. Accordingly, CLEC hereby represents and warrants that it is a Telecommunications Carrier and that it will notify **SBC-13STATE** immediately in writing if it ceases to be a Telecommunications Carrier. Failure to so notify **SBC-13STATE** shall constitute material breach of this Agreement.

2.15.1.1 By way of example, use of a Lawful UNE (whether on a stand-alone basis, in combination with other UNEs (Lawful or otherwise), with a network element possessed by CLEC, or otherwise) to provide service to CLEC as its own end user or for other administrative purpose(s) does not constitute using a Lawful UNE pursuant to the Statutory Conditions.

2.15.2 Other conditions to accessing and using any Lawful UNE (whether on a stand-alone basis or in combination with other network elements or UNEs (Lawful or otherwise)) may be applicable under lawful and effective FCC or **State Commission** rules and associated lawful and effective FCC, **State Commission** and judicial orders and will also apply.

## 2.16 New Combinations Involving Lawful UNEs

2.16.1 Subject to the provisions hereof and upon CLEC request, **SBC-13STATE** shall meet its combining obligations involving Lawful UNEs as and to the extent required by FCC rules and orders, and *Verizon Comm. Inc. v. FCC*, 535 U.S. 467 (May 13, 2002) ("*Verizon Comm. Inc.*") and, to the extent not inconsistent therewith, the rules and orders of relevant state Commission and any other Applicable Law.

2.16.1.1 Any combining obligation is limited solely to combining of Lawful UNEs; accordingly, no other facilities, services or functionalities are subject to combining, including but not limited to facilities, services or functionalities that **SBC-13STATE** might offer pursuant to Section 271 of the Act. **SBC-13STATE shall permit CLEC to commingle a UNE available under Section 251 or a combination of UNEs available under Section 251 with any wholesale service, including network elements available under Section 271, or obtained from an incumbent LEC. Upon request, SBC-13STATE will perform all functions necessary to commingle a UNE available under Section 251 or a combination of UNEs available under Section 251 with one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale, including network elements available under Section 271, from an incumbent LEC. SBC-13STATE shall not deny CLEC access to an Available UNE under Section 251 or a combination of Available UNEs under Section 251 on the grounds that one or more of the elements: (1) is connected to, attached to, or combined with, a facility or service obtained from an incumbent LEC; or (2) shares part of SBC-13STATE's network with access services [TELCOVE FURTHER MODIFICATION]**

2.16.2 Subject to the provisions hereof, at CLEC's request, **SBC-13STATE shall also combine for CLEC any sequence of Unbundled Network Elements that SBC-13STATE "ordinarily combines" for itself or its end users. SBC-13STATE shall be required to combine Available UNEs if the requested Available UNE combination is a type ordinarily used or functionally equivalent to that used by SBC-13STATE or SBC-13STATE' end users where SBC-13STATE provides local service. An Available Unbundled Network Element combination shall not be considered "ordinarily combined," and SBC-13STATE will not have an obligation to provide the combination, if (1) SBC-13STATE does not provide services using such a combination of unbundled network elements; (2) where SBC-13STATE does provide services using such combination, such provisioning is extraordinary (i.e., a limited combination of network**



*elements created in order to provide service to a customer under a unique and nonrecurring set of circumstances); or (3) the network element combination contains a network element that the [ ] Commission does not require SBC-13STATE to provide as an unbundled network element . There shall be no prohibition against combining unbundled network elements with tariffed services. This paragraph does not limit CLEC's ability to purchase services under applicable SBC-13STATE resale tariff or under the resale appendix that is part of this Agreement while also utilizing the UNE provisions of this Agreement to the same end use customer. This paragraph does not limit CLEC's ability to permit IXCs to access ULS for the purpose of originating and/or terminating interLATA and intraLATA access traffic or limit CLEC's ability to originate and/or terminate interLATA or intraLATA calls using ULS consistent with Section \_\_\_\_ of this Attachment. Further, when customized routing is used by CLEC, pursuant to Section \_\_\_\_ of this Attachment, CLEC may direct local, local operator services, and local directory assistance traffic to dedicated transport whether such transport is purchased through the access tariff or otherwise. In the event that SBC-13STATE denies a request to perform the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs or to perform the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs with elements possessed by CLEC, SBC-13STATE shall provide written notice to CLEC of such denial and the basis thereof **within ten business day of the request**. Any dispute over such denial shall be addressed using the dispute resolution procedures applicable to this Agreement. In any dispute resolution proceeding, SBC-13STATE shall have the burden to prove that such denial meets one or more applicable standards for denial, including without limitation those under the FCC rules and orders, *Verizon Comm. Inc.* and the Agreement, including Section 2.16 of this Appendix.*

2.16.3 In accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Section 2.16, including Section 2.16.3.2 and 2.16.5, the new Lawful UNE combinations set forth in the Schedule(s) – Lawful UNE Combinations attached and incorporated into this Appendix shall be made available to CLEC as specified in the specific Schedule for a particular State.

2.16.3.3 The Parties acknowledge that the United States Supreme Court in *Verizon Comm. Inc.* ***appears to have implied*** relied on the distinction between an incumbent local exchange carrier such as SBC-13STATE being required to perform the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs and to combine Lawful UNEs with elements possessed by a requesting Telecommunications Carrier, as compared to an incumbent LEC being required to complete the actual combination. As of the time this Appendix was agreed-to by the Parties, there has been no further ruling or other guidance provided on that distinction and what functions constitute only those that are necessary to such combining. In light of that uncertainty, SBC-13STATE is willing to perform the actions necessary to also complete the actual physical combination for those new Lawful UNE combinations set forth in the Schedule(s) – Lawful UNE Combinations to this Appendix, subject to the following:

2.16.3.3.1 Section 2.16, including any acts taken pursuant thereto, shall not in any way prohibit, limit or otherwise affect, or act as a waiver by, SBC-13STATE or CLEC from pursuing any of its rights, remedies or arguments, including but not limited to those with respect to *Verizon Comm. Inc.*, the remand thereof, or any FCC or Commission or court proceeding, including its right to seek legal review or a stay of any decision regarding combinations involving UNEs. Such rights, remedies, and arguments are expressly reserved by SBC-13STATE and CLEC. Without affecting the foregoing, this Agreement does not in any way prohibit, limit, or otherwise affect SBC-13STATE or CLEC from taking any position with respect to combinations including Lawful UNEs or any issue or subject addressed or related thereto.

2.16.3.3.2 ***If any regulatory, judicial, or legislative action determines that SBC-13STATE is relieved of any obligation to perform any combining functions or other actions under this Agreement, u***Upon the effective date of any *such* regulatory, judicial, or legislative action setting forth, eliminating, or otherwise

delineating or clarifying the extent of an incumbent LEC's combining obligations, **and after ninety (90) days notice to CLEC, SBC-13STATE** shall be **immediately** relieved of any obligation to perform any **non-included** combining functions or other actions under this Agreement or otherwise, and CLEC shall thereafter be solely responsible for any such **non-included** functions or other actions. This Section 2.16.3.3.2 shall apply in accordance with its terms, regardless of change in law, intervening law or other similarly purposed provision of the Agreement and, concomitantly, the first sentence of this Section 2.16.3.3.2 shall not affect the applicability of any such provisions in situations not covered by that first sentence.

- 2.16.3.3.3 Without affecting the application of Section 2.16.3.3.2 (which shall apply in accordance with its provisions), upon notice by **SBC-13STATE**, the Parties shall engage in good faith negotiations to amend the Agreement to set forth and delineate those functions or other actions that go beyond the ILEC obligation to perform the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs and combine Lawful UNEs with elements possessed by a requesting Telecommunications Carrier, and to eliminate any **SBC-13STATE** obligation to perform such functions or other actions. If those negotiations do not reach a mutually agreed-to amendment within sixty (60) days after the date of any such notice, the remaining disputes between the parties regarding those functions and other actions that go beyond those functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs and combine Lawful UNEs with elements possessed by a requesting Telecommunications Carrier, shall be resolved pursuant to the dispute resolution process provided for in this Agreement. Such a notice can be given at any time, and from time to time.
- 2.16.3.4 A new Lawful UNE combination listed on a Schedule – Lawful UNE Combinations does not imply or otherwise indicate the availability of related support system capabilities, including without limitation, whether electronic ordering is available for any particular included new Lawful UNE combination in one or more States. Where electronic ordering is not available, manual ordering shall be used.
- 2.16.3.5 For a new Lawful UNE combination listed on a Schedule – Lawful UNE Combinations, CLEC shall issue appropriate service requests. These requests will be processed by **SBC-13STATE**, and CLEC will be charged the applicable Lawful UNE service order charge(s), in addition to the recurring and nonrecurring charges for each individual Lawful UNE and cross connect ordered.
- 2.16.3.6 Upon notice by **SBC-13STATE**, the Parties shall engage in good faith negotiations to amend the Agreement to include a fee(s) for any work performed by **SBC-13STATE** in providing the new Lawful UNE combinations set forth in Schedule(s) – Lawful UNE Combinations, which work is not covered by the charges applicable per Section 2.16.3.5. For any such work done by **SBC-13STATE** under Section 2.16.1, any such fee(s) shall be a reasonable cost-based fee, and shall be calculated using the Time and Material charges as reflected in State-specific pricing. For any such work that is not so required to be done by **SBC-13STATE**, any such fee(s) shall be at a market-based rate. If those negotiations do not reach a mutually agreed-to amendment within sixty (60) days after the date of any such notice, the remaining disputes between the parties concerning any such fee(s) shall be resolved pursuant to the dispute resolution process provided for in this Agreement. Such a notice can be given at any time, and from time to time.
- 2.16.4 In accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Section 2.16, any request not included in Section 2.16.3 in which CLEC wants **SBC-13STATE** to perform the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs or to perform the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs with elements possessed by CLEC (as well as requests where CLEC also wants **SBC-13STATE** to complete the

actual combination), shall be made by CLEC in accordance with the bona fide request (BFR) process set forth in this Agreement.

2.16.4.1 In any such BFR, CLEC must designate among other things the Lawful UNE(s) sought to be combined and the needed location(s), the order in which the Lawful UNEs and any CLEC elements are to be connected, and how each connection (e.g., cross-connected) is to be made between an SBC-13STATE Lawful UNE and the lawful network element(s) possessed by CLEC.

2.16.4.2 In addition to any other applicable charges, CLEC shall be charged a reasonable cost-based fee for any combining work done by SBC-13STATE under Section 2.16.1. Such fee shall be calculated using the Time and Material charges as reflected in the State-specific Appendix Pricing. SBC-13STATE's Preliminary Analysis to the BFR shall include an estimate of such fee for the specified combining. With respect to a BFR in which CLEC requests SBC-13STATE to perform work not required by Section 2.16.1, CLEC shall be charged a market-based rate for any such work.

2.16.5 Without affecting the other provisions hereof, the Lawful UNE combining obligations referenced in this Section 2.16 apply only in situations where each of the following is met:

2.16.5.1 it is technically feasible, including that network reliability and security would not be impaired;

2.16.5.2 *There shall be no prohibition against combining unbundled network elements with tariffed services. This paragraph does not limit CLEC's ability to purchase services under applicable SBC-13STATE' resale tariff or under the resale appendix that is part of this Agreement while also utilizing the UNE provisions of this Agreement to the same end use customer. This paragraph does not limit CLEC's ability to permit IXCs to access ULS for the purpose of originating and/or terminating interLATA and intraLATA access traffic or limit CLEC's ability to originate and/or terminate interLATA or intraLATA calls using ULS consistent with Section \_\_\_\_ of this Attachment. Further, when customized routing is used by CLEC, pursuant to Section \_\_\_\_ of this Attachment, CLEC may direct local, local operator services, and local directory assistance traffic to dedicated transport whether such transport is purchased through the access tariff or otherwise. Reserved.*  
SBC-13STATE's ability to retain responsibility for the management, control, and performance of its network would not be impaired;

2.16.5.3 *Reserved.* SBC-13STATE would not be placed at a disadvantage in operating its own network;

2.16.5.4 it would not undermine the ability of other Telecommunications Carriers to obtain access to Lawful UNEs or to Interconnect with SBC-13STATE's network; and

2.16.5.5 CLEC is

2.16.5.5.1 *Reserved.* unable to make the combination itself; or

2.16.5.5.2 *Reserved.* a new entrant and is unaware that it needs to combine certain Lawful UNEs to provide a Telecommunications Service, but such obligation under this Section 2.16.5.5 ceases if SBC-13STATE informs CLEC of such need to combine.

2.16.6 *Reserved* For purposes of Section 2.16.5.5 and without limiting other instances in which CLEC may be able to make a combination itself, CLEC is deemed able to make a combination itself when the Lawful UNE(s) sought to be combined are available to CLEC, including without limitation:

2.16.6.1 *Reserved* at an SBC-13STATE premises where CLEC is physically collocated or has an on-site adjacent collocation arrangement;

2.16.6.2 *Reserved. for SBC CALIFORNIA only, within an adjacent location arrangement, if and as permitted by this Agreement.*

2.16.7 Section 2.16.5.5 shall only begin to apply thirty (30) days after notice by SBC-13STATE to CLEC. Thereafter, SBC-13STATE may invoke Section 2.16.5.5 with respect to any request for a combination involving Lawful UNEs.

2.17 Conversion of Wholesale Services to Lawful UNEs

Upon the issuance of the Court's mandate in USTA II, and in the absence of lawful and effective FCC rules or orders requiring conversion of wholesale services to Lawful UNEs, SBC-13STATE is not obligated to and shall not perform such conversions, and CLEC shall not request such conversions. If lawful and effective FCC rules or orders require such conversions, and for all other conversion requests the following shall apply ***SBC-13STATE shall convert wholesale services to conversion of wholesale services to Lawful UNEs such conversion(s) shall be provided as follows:***

2.17.1 Upon request, SBC-13STATE shall convert a wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, to the equivalent Lawful UNE, or combination of Lawful UNEs, that is available to CLEC under terms and conditions set forth in this Appendix, so long as the CLEC and the wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, meets the eligibility criteria that may be applicable for such conversion. *(By way of example only, the statutory conditions would constitute one such eligibility criterion.)*

2.17.2 Where processes for the conversion requested pursuant to this Appendix are not already in place, SBC-13STATE will develop and implement processes, subject to any associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines.

2.17.3 *Except as otherwise provided hereunder, **SBC-13STATE shall not impose any untariffed termination charges, or any disconnect fees, re-connect fees, or charges associated with establishing a service for the first time, in connection with any conversion between a wholesale service or group of wholesale services and a Lawful UNE or combination of Lawful UNEs.***

2.17.3.1 SBC-13STATE's may charge applicable service order charges and record change charges, *provided however that such charges shall be waived if the conversion is the result of SBC-13STATE ceasing to offer the UNE or combination of UNEs to CLEC.*

2.17.4 This Section 2.17 only applies to situations where the wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, is comprised solely of Lawful UNEs offered or otherwise provided for in this Appendix.

2.17.5 If CLEC does not meet the applicable eligibility criteria or, for any reason, stops meeting the eligibility criteria for a particular conversion of a wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, to the equivalent Lawful UNE, or combination of Lawful UNEs, CLEC shall not request such conversion or **continue using such the Lawful UNE or Lawful UNEs that result from such conversion.** To the extent CLEC fails to meet (including ceases to meet) the eligibility criteria applicable to a Lawful UNE or combination of Lawful UNEs, or Commingled Arrangement (as defined herein), SBC-13STATE may convert the Lawful UNE or Lawful UNE combination, or Commingled Arrangement, to the equivalent wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, upon ***ninety (90) days*** written notice to CLEC.

2.17.5.1 This Section 2.17.5 applies to any Lawful UNE or combination of Lawful UNEs, including whether or not such Lawful UNE or combination of Lawful UNEs had been previously converted from an SBC-13STATE service.

2.17.5.2 SBC-13STATE may exercise its rights provided for hereunder and those allowed by law in auditing compliance with any applicable eligibility criteria.

2.17.6 In requesting a conversion of an SBC-13STATE service, CLEC must follow the guidelines and ordering requirements provided by SBC-13STATE and ***in conformance with FCC, Commission and any applicable laws*** that are applicable to converting the particular SBC-13STATE service sought to be converted.

2.17.7 Nothing contained in this Appendix or Agreement provides CLEC with an opportunity to supersede or dissolve existing contractual arrangements, or otherwise affects SBC-13STATE's ability to enforce any tariff, contractual, or other provision(s), including those providing for early termination liability or similar charges. (By way of example, where provided for, early termination liability charges may apply upon a special access circuit being considered disconnected for billing/inventory purposes.)

## 2.18 Commingling

2.18.1 "Commingling" means the connecting, attaching, or otherwise linking of a Lawful UNE, or a combination of Lawful UNEs, to one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from SBC-13STATE, or the combining of a Lawful UNE, or a combination of Lawful UNEs, with one or more such facilities or services. "Commingle" means the act of commingling.

2.18.1.1 "Commingled Arrangement" means the arrangement created by Commingling.

2.18.1.2 ***Reserved*** Neither Commingling nor a Commingled Arrangement shall include, involve, or otherwise encompass an SBC-13STATE offering pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 271 that is not a Lawful UNE under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3).

2.18.1.3 Where processes for any Commingling requested pursuant to this Agreement (including, by way of example, for existing services sought to be converted to a Commingled Arrangement) are not already in place, SBC-13STATE and CLEC will develop and implement ***mutually agreeable*** processes, subject to any ***mutually agreeable*** associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines.

2.18.1.4 Any commingling obligation is limited solely to commingling of one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from SBC-13STATE with Lawful UNEs; accordingly, no other facilities, services or functionalities that SBC might offer pursuant to Section 271 of the Act.

2.18.2 Except as provided in Section 2 and, further, subject to the other provisions of this Agreement, SBC-13STATE shall permit CLEC to Commingle a Lawful UNE or a combination of Lawful UNEs with facilities or services obtained at wholesale from SBC-13STATE to the extent required by FCC rules and orders.

2.18.3 Upon request, and subject to this Section 2, SBC-13STATE shall perform the functions necessary to Commingle a Lawful UNE or a combination of Lawful UNEs with one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from SBC-13STATE (as well as requests where CLEC also wants SBC-13STATE to complete the actual Commingling), ***except that SBC-13STATE shall have no obligation to perform the functions necessary to Commingle (or to complete the actual Commingling) if (i) the CLEC is able to perform those functions itself; or (ii) it is not technically feasible, including that network reliability and security would be impaired; or (iii) SBC-13STATE's ability to retain responsibility for the management, control, and performance of its network would be impaired; or (iv) SBC-13STATE would be placed at a disadvantage in operating its own network; or (v) it would undermine the ability of other Telecommunications Carriers to obtain access to Lawful UNEs or to Interconnect with SBC-13STATE's network; or (vi) CLEC is a new entrant and is unaware that it needs to Commingle to provide a Telecommunications Service, but such obligation under this Section ceases if SBC-13STATE informs CLEC of such need to Commingle.***

2.18.3.1 ***Reserved/*** For purposes of Section 2.18.3 and without limiting other instances in which CLEC may be able to Commingle for itself, CLEC is deemed able to Commingle for itself when the Lawful UNE(s), Lawful UNE combination, and facilities or services obtained at wholesale from SBC-13STATE are available to CLEC, including without limitation:

- 2.18.3.1.1 **Reserved.** at an **SBC-13STATE** premises where CLEC is physically collocated or has an on-site adjacent collocation arrangement;
- 2.18.3.1.2 **Reserved.** for **SBC CALIFORNIA** only, within an adjacent location arrangement, if and as permitted by this Agreement.
- 2.18.3.2 Section 2.18.3(i) shall only begin to apply thirty (30) days after notice by **SBC-13STATE** to CLEC. Thereafter, **SBC-13STATE** may invoke Section 2.18.3(i) with respect to any request for Commingling.
- 2.18.4 In accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Section 2.18, any request by CLEC for **SBC-13STATE** to perform the functions necessary to Commingle (as well as requests where CLEC also wants **SBC-13STATE** to complete the actual Commingling), shall be made by CLEC in accordance with the bona fide request (BFR) process set forth in this Agreement.
- 2.18.4.1 In any such BFR, CLEC must designate among other things the Lawful UNE(s), combination of Lawful UNEs, and the facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from **SBC-13STATE** sought to be Commingled and the needed location(s), the order in which such Lawful UNEs, such combinations of Lawful UNEs, and such facilities and services are to be Commingled, and how each connection (e.g., cross-connected) is to be made between them.
- 2.18.4.2 In addition to any other applicable charges, CLEC shall be charged a reasonable fee for any Commingling work done by **SBC-13STATE** under this Section 2.18 (including performing the actual Commingling). Such fee shall be calculated using the Time and Material charges as reflected in the State-specific Appendix Pricing. **SBC-13STATE**'s Preliminary Analysis to the BFR shall include an estimate of such fee for the specified Commingling. With respect to a BFR in which CLEC requests **SBC-13STATE** to perform work not required by this Section 2.18.4, CLEC shall be charged a market-based rate for any such work.
- 2.18.5 **SBC-13STATE** shall not be required to, and shall not, provide "ratcheting" as a result of Commingling or a Commingled Arrangement. As a general matter, "ratcheting" is a pricing mechanism that involves billing a single circuit at multiple rates to develop a single, blended rate. **SBC-13STATE** shall charge the rates for Lawful UNEs (or Lawful UNE combinations) Commingled with facilities or services obtained at wholesale (including for example special access services) on an element-by-element basis, and such facilities and services on a facility-by-facility, service-by-service basis.
- 2.18.6 Nothing in this Agreement shall impose any obligation on **SBC-13STATE** to allow or otherwise permit Commingling, a Commingled Arrangement, or to perform the functions necessary to Commingle, or to allow or otherwise permit CLEC to Commingle or to make a Commingled Arrangement, beyond those obligations imposed by the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders. The preceding includes without limitation that **SBC-13STATE** shall not be obligated to Commingle network elements that do not constitute Lawful UNEs, or where Lawful UNEs are not requested for permissible purposes. If CLEC does not meet the applicable eligibility criteria or, for any reason, stops meeting the eligibility criteria for a particular Lawful UNE involved or to be involved in a Commingled Arrangement, CLEC shall not request such Commingled Arrangement or continue using such Commingled Arrangement.
- 2.18.7 In the event that Commingling involves **SBC-13STATE** performing the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs (e.g., make a new combination of Lawful UNEs), and including making the actual Lawful UNE combination, then Section 2.16 shall govern with respect to that Lawful UNE combining aspect of that particular Commingling and/or Commingled Arrangement.
- 2.18.8 Subject to this 2.18, **SBC-13STATE** shall not deny access to a Lawful UNE or a combination of Lawful UNEs on the grounds that one or more of the Lawful UNEs is connected to, attached to, linked to, or combined with, a facility or service obtained at wholesale from **SBC-13STATE**.

2.18.9 Commingling in its entirety (including its definition, the ability of CLEC to Commingle, SBC-13STATE's obligation to perform the functions necessary to Commingle, and Commingled Arrangements) shall not apply to or otherwise include, involve or encompass SBC-13STATE offerings pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 271 that are not Lawful UNEs under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3).  
*Reserved*

## 2.19 EELs Eligibility Requirements

2.19.1 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary SBC-13STATE agrees to make available to CLEC Enhanced Extended Links (EELs) and other forms of Unbundled Network Elements Combinations on the terms and conditions set forth below. SBC-13STATE shall provide UNE combinations upon request, provided that the UNE combination is technically feasible and would not undermine the ability of other carriers to access UNEs or interconnect with SBC-13STATE'S network. SBC-13STATE shall not impose any additional conditions or limitations upon obtaining access to EELs or to any other UNE combinations, other than those set out in the FCC's Triennial Review Order and in this Appendix.

2.19.1.1 "Enhanced Extended Link" or "EEL" means a UNE combination consisting of an unbundled loop(s) and Unbundled Dedicated Transport, together with any facilities, equipment, or functions necessary to combine those UNEs (including, for example, with or without multiplexing capabilities). An EEL that consists of a combination of voice grade to DS0 level UNE local loops combined with a UNE DS1 or DS3 Dedicated Transport (a "Low-Capacity EEL") shall not be required to satisfy the Eligibility Requirements set out in Section 2.19.2 below. If an EEL is made up of a combination that includes one or more of the following described combinations (the "High-Capacity Included Arrangements"), each circuit to be provided to each customer must be required to terminate in a collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 2.15.3 below unless the EEL is commingled with a wholesale service in which case the wholesale service must terminate at the collocation). A High-Capacity Included Arrangement is either:

2.19.1.2.1 an unbundled DS1 loop in combination, or commingled, with a dedicated DS1 transport or dedicated DS3 transport facility or service, or to an unbundled DS3 loop in combination, or commingled, with a dedicated DS3 transport facility or service; or

2.19.1.2.2 an unbundled dedicated DS1 transport facility in combination, or commingled, with an unbundled DS1 loop or a DS1 channel termination service, or to an unbundled DS1 loop or a DS1 channel termination service, or to an unbundled dedicated DS3 transport facility in combination, or commingled, with an unbundled DS1 loop or a DS1 channel termination service, or to an unbundled DS3 loop or a DS3 channel termination service.

2.19.2 SBC-13STATE shall make Low Capacity EELs available to CLEC without restriction. SBC-13STATE shall not, provide access to the High-Capacity Included Arrangements (Sections 2.19.1.2.1 and 2.19.1.2.2) only when CLEC satisfies all of the following conditions set forth in Section 2.23.2.1 through 2.23.2.4 for each High-Capacity Included Arrangement requested

2.19.2.1 CLEC (directly and not via an Affiliate) has received state certification from the [ ] Commission to provide local voice service in the area being served

2.19.2.2 The following criteria must be are satisfied for each High-Capacity Included Arrangement, e.g., each DS1 UNE loop combined with DS1/DS3 transport

- 2.19.2.2.1** *Each circuit to be provided to each customer will be assigned a local telephone number (NPA-NXX-XXXX), including to each DS1 circuit and to each DS1 equivalent circuit of a DS3 EEL. That is*
- 2.19.2.2.2** *each DS1 equivalent circuit on a DS3 EEL arrangement must have its own Local Telephone Number assignment, so that each fully utilized DS3 must have at least 28 Local voice Telephone Numbers assigned to it; and In addition, each*
- 2.19.2.2.3** *DS1 or DS1 equivalent circuit to be provided to each customer will have 911 or E911 capability prior to the provision of service over that circuit; CLEC may, at CLEC's option, satisfy this condition by certifying at the time it orders the EEL(s) that it will not begin to provide service until a local number is assigned and 911 or E911 capability is provided.*
- 2.19.2.2.4** *Collocation: Each of CLEC's DS1 and/or DS3 circuit(s) to be provided to each customer will terminate in a collocation arrangement. Where there is no single customer premises, such as where the traffic from multiple DS1 wireline end user loops are aggregated onto a DS3 transport facility, the point of aggregation will serve as the customer premises for purposes of this requirement. The collocation arrangement cannot be in an Interexchange carrier POP or an Internet service provider POP. However, CLEC may satisfy the collocation requirement through shared collocation or by connecting its EEL to another CLEC's entrance facility originating in that other CLEC's collocation space within SBC's central office; and*
- 2.19.2.2.5** *Each circuit to be provided to each customer will be served by an interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 2.19.4 of this Attachment; and*
- 2.19.2.2.6** *For each 24 DS1 EELs loop or the other facilities having equivalent capacity, CLEC will have at least one active DS1 local service interconnection trunk for the exchange of local traffic. CLEC is not required to associate the individual EEL collocation termination point with a local interconnection trunk in the same wire center.*
- 2.19.2.2.7** *Switching: Each EEL loop circuit to be provided to each customer will be served by switching equipment that is a switch capable of switching local voice traffic.*
- 2.19.3** *A collocation arrangement meets the requirements of Section 2.19 of this Attachment if it is:*
- 2.19.3.1** *Established pursuant to Section 251(c)(6) of the Act and located at SBC-13STATE' premises within the same LATA as the customer's premises, when SBC-13STATE is not the collocator; or*
- 2.19.3.2** *Located at a third party's premises within the same LATA as the CLEC's premises, when SBC-13STATE is the collocator.*
- 2.19.4** *An interconnection trunk meets the requirements of Sections 2.19.2.2.5 and 2.19.2.2.6 of this Attachment if CLEC will transmit the calling party's Local Telephone Number in connection*



*with calls exchanged over the trunk and the trunk is located in the same LATA as the customer premises served by the Included Arrangement.*

**2.19.5** For a new circuit to which Section 2.19.2 applies, CLEC may initiate the ordering process if CLEC certifies that it will not begin to provide any service over that circuit until a Local Telephone Number is assigned and 911/E911 capability is provided, as required by Section 2.19.2.2.1 and Section 2.19.2.2.3, respectively. In such case, CLEC shall satisfy Section 2.19.2.2.1 and/or Section 2.19.2.2.3 if it assigns the required Local Telephone Number(s), and implements 911/E911 capability, within 30 days after SBC -13STATE provisions such new circuit.

**2.19.5.1** Existing circuits, including conversions or migrations are governed by Section 2.19.2.

**2.19.6** Before accessing requesting (1) a converted High-Capacity Included Arrangement, (2) a new High-Capacity Included Arrangement, or (3) part of a High-Capacity Included Arrangement that is a commingled EEL as a UNE, CLEC must certify to all of the requirements set out in Section 2.19.2. CLEC may provide this certification by sending a confirming letter to SBC-13STATE or by completing a form provided by SBC-13STATE either on a single circuit or a blanket basis at CLEC's option. A disconnect notice for any single circuit shall be sufficient to constitute notification to SBC-13STATE that a blanket certification for multiple circuits that were part of a single order has been modified. In addition, CLEC may provide written notification to SBC-13STATE from time to time, or will provide in response to SBC-13STATE request made no more often than once each calendar year, certifying that its circuits satisfy all of the requirements of Section 2.19.2.

**2.19.7** In addition to any other audit rights provided for in this Agreement and those allowed by law, SBC -13STATE may obtain and pay for an independent auditor to audit, on an annual basis and only based upon cause CLEC's compliance in [ ] with the conditions set out in Section 2.19.1 through 2.19.4 For purposes of calculating and applying an "annual basis", it means a consecutive 12-month period, beginning upon SBC-13STATE written notice that an audit will be performed for [ ], subject to Section 2.15.7.4 of this Section.

**2.19.7.1** To invoke its limited right to audit, SBC-13STATE will send a Notice of Audit to CLEC, identifying the particular circuits for which SBC-13STATE alleges non-compliance and the cause upon which SBC-13STATE rests its allegations. The Notice of Audit shall also include all supporting documentation upon which SBC-13STATE establishes the cause that forms the basis of its allegations that CLEC is non-compliant. Such Notice of Audit will be delivered to CLEC with all supporting documentation no less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date upon which SBC-13STATE seek to commence an audit.

**2.19.7.2** Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties (including at the time of the audit), the independent auditor shall perform its evaluation in accordance with the standards established by the American Institute for Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), which will require the auditor to perform an "examination engagement" and issue an opinion that includes the auditor's determination regarding CLEC's compliance with the qualifying service eligibility criteria. The independent auditor's report will conclude whether CLEC complied in all material respects with this Section 2.19.

**2.19.7.3** Consistent with standard auditing practices, such audits require compliance testing designed by the independent auditor, which typically include an examination of a sample selected in accordance with the independent auditor's judgment.

**2.19.7.4** *Should the independent auditor's report conclude that CLEC failed to comply in all material respects with Section 2.19, CLEC must true-up any difference in payments paid to SBC-13STATE and the rates and charges CLEC would have owed SBC-13STATE beginning from the date that the non-compliant circuit was established as a UNE/UNE combination, in whole or in part (notwithstanding any other provision hereof), but no earlier than the date on which this Section 2.19 of this Attachment is effective. CLEC shall submit orders to SBC-13STATE to either convert all noncompliant circuits to the appropriate service or disconnect non-compliant circuits. Conversion and disconnect orders shall be submitted within 30 days of the date on which CLEC receives a copy of the auditor's report and CLEC shall begin paying the correct rates and charges for each converted circuit beginning with the next billing cycle following SBC-13STATE' acceptance of such order, unless CLEC disputes the auditor's finding and initiates a proceeding at the Kansas Commission for resolution of the dispute, in which case no changes shall be made until the Commission rules on the dispute. With respect to any noncompliant circuit for which CLEC fails to submit a conversion order or dispute the auditor's finding within such 30-day time period, SBC-13STATE may initiate and effect such a conversion on its own without any further consent by CLEC. CLEC must convert the UNE or UNE combination, or Commingled Arrangement, to an equivalent or substantially similar wholesale service, or group of wholesale services. Conversion shall not create any unavoidable disruption to CLEC's customer's service or degradation in service quality. Under no circumstances shall conversion result in overtime charges being billed to CLEC for any work performed by SBC-13STATE unless CLEC agrees to such charges in advance. Following conversion, CLEC shall make the correct payments on a going-forward basis. In no event shall rates set under Section 252(d)(1) apply for the use of any UNE for any period in which CLEC does not meet the Service Eligibility Requirements conditions set forth in this Section 2.19 for that UNE, arrangement, or circuit, as the case may be. Furthermore, if CLEC disputes the auditor's finding and initiates a proceeding at the [ ] Commission and if the Commission upholds the auditor's finding, CLEC shall true-up the payments made at UNE rates and the payments it should have paid.*

**2.19.7.4.1** *To the extent that the independent auditor's report concludes that CLEC failed to comply in all material respects with the Service Eligibility Requirements Criteria, CLEC shall must reimburse SBC-13STATE for the actual cost of the independent auditor's work performed in auditing CLEC's compliance with the Service Eligibility Requirements and for SBC-13STATE' necessary and reasonable internal costs incurred conducting the audit in the same manner and using the same methodology and rates that SBC-13STATE is required to pay CLEC's costs under Section 2.19.7.4.2.*

**2.19.7.4** *To the extent the independent auditor's report concludes that CLEC complied in all material respects with the Service Eligibility Requirements Criteria, SBC-13STATE shall must reimburse CLEC for its necessary and reasonable staff time and other internal reasonable staff time and other reasonable costs associated with in responding to the audit (e.g., collecting data in response to the auditor's inquiries, meeting for interviews, etc).*

**2.19.7.5** *CLEC will maintain the appropriate documentation to support its eligibility certifications, including without limitation call detail records, local telephone number assignment documentation, and switch assignment documentation.*

- 2.19.8 *Without affecting the application or interpretation of any other provisions regarding waiver, estoppel, laches, or similar concepts in other situations, CLEC shall fully comply with this Section 2.19 in all cases and, further, the failure of SBC-13STATE to require such compliance, including if SBC-13STATE provides an EEL(s) or a Commingled EEL(s) that does not meet any eligibility criteria including those in this Section 2.19, shall not act as a waiver of any part of this Section, and estoppel, laches, or other similar concepts shall not act to affect any rights or requirements hereunder.*
- 2.20 Where processes for any Lawful UNE requested pursuant to this Agreement, whether alone or in conjunction with any other UNE(s) or service(s), are not already in place, SBC-13STATE will develop and implement processes, subject to any associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines.
- 2.21 SBC-13STATE will combine Lawful UNEs, combine Lawful UNE(s) with network elements possessed by CLEC, and/or Commingle only as set forth in this Appendix UNE.
- 2.22 ***Reserved for future use.*** The Parties intend that this Appendix Lawful UNEs contains the sole and exclusive terms and conditions by which CLEC will obtain Lawful UNEs from SBC-13STATE. Accordingly, except as may be specifically permitted by this Appendix Lawful UNEs, and then only to the extent permitted, CLEC and its affiliated entities hereby fully and irrevocably waive any right or ability any of them might have to purchase any unbundled network element (whether on a stand-alone basis, in combination with other UNEs (Lawful or otherwise), with a network element possessed by CLEC, or pursuant to Commingling or otherwise) directly from any SBC-13STATE tariff, and agree not to so purchase or attempt to so purchase from any such tariff. Without affecting the application or interpretation of any other provisions regarding waiver, estoppel, laches, or similar concepts in other situations, the failure of SBC-13STATE to enforce the foregoing (including if SBC-13STATE fails to reject or otherwise block orders for, or provides or continues to provide, unbundled network elements, Lawful or otherwise, under tariff) shall not act as a waiver of any part of this Section, and estoppel, laches, or other similar concepts shall not act to affect any rights or requirements hereunder. At its option, SBC-13STATE may either reject any such order submitted under tariff, or without the need for any further contact with or consent from CLEC, SBC-13STATE may process any such order as being submitted under this Appendix UNE and, further, may convert any element provided under tariff, to this Appendix UNE, effective as of the later in time of the (i) Effective Date of this Agreement/Amendment, or (ii) the submission of the order by CLEC.

### 3. ACCESS TO LAWFUL UNE CONNECTION METHODS

- 3.1 Subject to Section 2 of this Appendix Lawful UNEs, SBC-13STATE shall provide Access to Lawful UNE Connection Methods under the following terms and conditions.
- 3.2 This Section describes the connection methods under which SBC-13STATE agrees to provide CLECs with access to Lawful UNE Local Loops, ***Lawful UNE switch ports, and Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport*** and the conditions under which SBC-13STATE makes these methods available. These methods provide CLEC access to multiple SBC-13STATE Lawful UNEs that the CLEC may then combine. The methods listed below provide CLEC with access to Lawful UNEs without compromising the security, integrity, and reliability of the public switched network, as well as to minimize potential service disruptions.
- 3.2.1 Subject to availability of space and equipment, CLEC may use the methods listed below to access and combine Lawful UNE Local Loops, ***Lawful UNE Local Circuit Switching ports, and Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport*** within a requested SBC-13STATE Central Office.
- 3.2.1.1 (Method 1)
- SBC-13STATE will extend SBC-13STATE Lawful UNEs requiring cross connection to the CLEC's Physical or Virtual Collocation Point of Termination (POT) when the CLEC is Physically Collocated, in a caged or shared cage arrangement or Virtually Collocated, within

the same Central Office where the Lawful UNEs which are to be combined are located. For Collocation terms and conditions refer to the Physical and Virtual Collocation Appendices.

3.2.1.2 (Method 2)

SBC-13STATE will extend SBC-13STATE Lawful UNEs that require cross connection to the CLEC's Lawful UNE frame located in the common room space, other than the Collocation common area, within the same Central Office where the Lawful UNEs which are to be combined are located.

3.2.1.3 (Method 3)

SBC-13STATE will extend SBC-13STATE Lawful UNEs to the CLEC's Lawful UNE frame that is located outside the SBC-13STATE Central Office where the Lawful UNEs are to be combined in a closure such as a cabinet provided by SBC-13STATE on SBC-13STATE property.

3.3 The following terms and conditions apply to Methods 2 and 3 when SBC-13STATE provides access to Lawful UNEs pursuant to Sections 3.2.1. 2 and 3.2.1.3:

3.3.1 The CLEC may cancel the request at any time, but will pay SBC-13STATE's reasonable and demonstrable costs for modifying SBC-13STATE's Central Office up to the date of cancellation.

3.3.2 CLEC shall be responsible for initial testing and trouble sectionalization of facilities containing CLEC installed cross connects.

3.3.3 CLEC shall refer trouble sectionalized in the SBC-13STATE Lawful UNE to SBC-13STATE.

3.3.4 Prior to SBC-13STATE providing access to Lawful UNEs under this Appendix, CLEC and SBC-13STATE shall provide each other with a point of contact for overall coordination.

3.3.5 CLEC shall provide all tools and materials required to place and remove the cross connects necessary to combine and disconnect Lawful UNEs when CLEC combines or disconnects Lawful UNEs.

3.3.6 CLEC shall designate each Lawful UNE being ordered from SBC-13STATE. CLEC shall provide an interface to receive assignment information from SBC-13STATE regarding location of the affected Lawful UNEs. This interface may be manual or mechanized.

3.3.7 SBC-13STATE will provide CLEC with contact numbers as necessary to resolve assignment conflicts encountered. All contact with SBC-13STATE shall be referred to such contact numbers.

3.3.8 Certain construction and preparation activities may be required to modify a building or prepare the premises for access to Lawful UNEs.

3.3.8.1 Where applicable, costs for modifying a building or preparing the premises for access to SBC-13STATE Lawful UNEs will be made on an individual case basis (ICB).

3.3.8.2 SBC-13STATE will contract for and perform the construction and preparation activities using same or consistent practices that are used by SBC-13STATE for other construction and preparation work performed in the building.

***3.3.9 Cross connects designated for UNEs shall not be used by SBC-13STATE for any other purpose.***

#### 4. ADJACENT LOCATION

4.1 Consistent with Section 2.1 of this Appendix Lawful UNEs, SBC-13STATE shall provide Adjacent Location provision under the following terms and conditions.

4.2\* This Section describes the Adjacent Location Method for accessing Lawful UNEs. This Section also provides the conditions in which SBC CALIFORNIA offers the Adjacent Location Method.

- 4.3\* The Adjacent Location Method allows a CLEC to access loops, switch ports, and dedicated transport for a CLEC location adjacent to a **SBC CALIFORNIA** Central Office as identified by **SBC CALIFORNIA**. Under this method **SBC CALIFORNIA** Lawful UNEs will be extended to the adjacent location, via copper cabling provided by the CLEC, which the CLEC can then utilize to provide Telecommunications Service.
- 4.4\* This method requires the CLEC to provide copper cable, greater than 600 pairs, to the last manhole outside the **SBC CALIFORNIA** Central Office. The CLEC shall provide enough slack for **SBC CALIFORNIA** to pull the cable into the Central Office and terminate the cable on the Central Office Intermediate Distribution Frame (IDF).
- 4.5\* The CLEC will obtain all necessary rights of way, easements, and other third party permissions.
- 4.6\* The following terms and conditions apply when **SBC CALIFORNIA** provides the adjacent location:
- 4.6.1 The CLEC is responsible for Spectrum Interference and is aware that not all pairs may be ADSL or POTS capable.
- 4.7\* The installation interval applies on an individual application basis. The CLEC is responsible for paying all up front charges (nonrecurring and case preparation costs) before work will begin. This assumes that all necessary permits will be issued in a timely manner.
- 4.8\* The CLEC will provide the excess cable length necessary to reach the **SBC CALIFORNIA** IDF in the **SBC CALIFORNIA** Central Office where CLEC requests connection.
- 4.9\* The CLEC will be responsible for testing and sectionalization of facilities from the End User's location to the entrance manhole.
- 4.10\* The CLEC should refer any sectionalized trouble determined to be in **SBC CALIFORNIA**'s facilities to **SBC CALIFORNIA**.
- 4.11\* The CLEC's employees, agents and contractors will be permitted to have access to the CLEC's cable where it is delivered to **SBC CALIFORNIA** (outside the entrance manhole). The CLEC is only able to enter the entrance manhole to splice under a duct lease agreement. If the CLEC leases ducts to get to the Central Office then CLEC has the right to splice the manholes on the route, including the entrance manhole.
- 4.12\* In order for **SBC CALIFORNIA** to identify the entrance manhole for the CLEC, the CLEC must specify the direction from which the cable originates. **SBC CALIFORNIA** will verify that a vacant sleeve or riser duct exists at the entrance manhole. If none exists, construction of one will be required. If a vacant access sleeve or riser duct does not exist, and one must be constructed, the CLEC will pay for the construction on an Outside Plant Custom Work Order.
- 4.13\* The CLEC will retain all assignment control. **SBC CALIFORNIA** will maintain TIRKS records for cable appearance information on the horizontal and vertical appearance on the **SBC CALIFORNIA** frame.
- 4.14\* The CLEC will pay Time and Materials charges when **SBC CALIFORNIA** dispatches personnel and failure is in the CLEC's facility.
- 4.15\* **SBC CALIFORNIA** will not assume responsibility for the quality of retail service provided over this special interconnection arrangement. Retail service quality is the responsibility of the CLEC. **SBC CALIFORNIA** limits each CLEC to two building entrances. Two entrances allow for CLEC growth or a diverse path.
- 4.16\* Prior to **SBC CALIFORNIA** providing the Adjacent Location Method in this Appendix, the CLEC and **SBC CALIFORNIA** shall provide each other with a single point of contact for overall coordination.
- 4.17\* The Adjacent Location Method of Accessing Lawful UNEs only allows for copper cable termination.

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\* Section 4 is available only in the state of California. Refer to INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, Paragraph 2.10.1

## 6. BONA FIDE REQUEST

- 6.1 Subject to Section 2, **SBC-13STATE** shall process BFR requests under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.
- 6.2 The Bona Fide Request process described in Item I of this Section 6 applies to each Bona Fide Request submitted in the **SBC-10STATE** and **SBC NEVADA** Territory. The Bona Fide Request process described in Item II of this Section 6 shall apply to each Bona Fide Request submitted in the **SBC CONNECTICUT** Territory and the Bona Fide Request Process described in Item III of this Section shall apply to each Bona Fide Request submitted in the **SBC CALIFORNIA** Territory. If CLEC submits the same Request in more than one Territory that requires such Request to be processed under more than one Item in this Section 6 (e.g., in Territories that have different processes), separate BFRs shall be required. For purposes of this Appendix, a "Business Day" means Monday through Friday, excluding Holidays observed by **SBC-13STATE**.

### 6.3 Item I

#### **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** Bona Fide Request Process

- 6.3.1 A Bona Fide Request ("BFR") is the process by which CLEC may request **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** to provide CLEC access to an additional or new, undefined Lawful UNE, Lawful UNE Combination and/or Lawful Commingling requests that constitute or involve a Lawful UNE required to be provided by **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** but that is not available under this Agreement at the time of CLEC's request.
- 6.3.2 The BFR process set forth herein does not apply to those services requested pursuant to Report & Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking 91-141 (rel. Oct. 19, 1992) paragraph 259 and n. 603 and subsequent rulings.
- 6.3.3 All BFRs must be submitted with a BFR Application Form in accordance with the specifications and processes set forth in the respective sections of the CLEC Handbook. Included with the Application CLEC shall provide a technical description of each requested Lawful UNE, drawings when applicable, the location(s) where needed, the date required, and the projected quantity to be ordered with a 3 year forecast.
- 6.3.4 CLEC is responsible for all costs incurred by **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** to review, analyze and process a BFR. When submitting a BFR Application Form, CLEC has two options to compensate **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** for its costs incurred to complete the Preliminary Analysis of the BFR:
- 6.3.4.1 Include with its BFR Application Form a \$2,000 deposit to cover **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA**'s preliminary evaluation costs, in which case **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** may not charge CLEC in excess of \$2,000 to complete the Preliminary Analysis; or
- 6.3.4.2 Not make the \$2,000 deposit, in which case CLEC shall be responsible for all preliminary evaluation costs incurred by **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** to complete the preliminary Analysis (regardless of whether such costs are greater or less than \$2,000).
- 6.3.5 If CLEC submits a \$ 2,000 deposit with its BFR, and **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** is not able to process the Request, determines that the Request does not qualify for BFR treatment, then **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** will return the \$2,000 deposit to CLEC. Similarly, if the costs incurred to complete the Preliminary Analysis are less than \$2,000, the balance of the deposit will, at the option of CLEC, either be refunded or credited toward additional developmental costs authorized by CLEC.
- 6.3.6 Upon written notice, CLEC may cancel a BFR at any time, but will pay **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** its reasonable and demonstrable costs of processing and/or implementing the BFR up to and including the date **SBC-10STATE, SBC NEVADA** received notice of cancellation. If cancellation occurs prior to completion of the preliminary evaluation, and a \$2,000 deposit has been made by CLEC, and the reasonable and demonstrable costs are less than \$2,000, the remaining

balance of the deposit will be, at the option of the CLEC, either returned to CLEC or credited toward additional developmental costs authorized by CLEC.

- 6.3.7 **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will promptly consider and analyze each BFR it receives. Within ten (10) Business Days of its receipt **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will acknowledge receipt of the BFR and in such acknowledgement advise CLEC of the need for any further information needed to process the Request. CLEC acknowledges that the time intervals set forth in this Appendix begins once **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** has received a complete and accurate BFR Application Form and, if applicable, \$2,000 deposit.
- 6.3.8 Except under extraordinary circumstances, within thirty (30) calendar days of its receipt of a complete and accurate BFR **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will provide to CLEC a preliminary analysis of such Request (the "Preliminary Analysis"). The Preliminary Analysis will (i) indicate that **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will offer the Request to CLEC or (ii) advise CLEC that **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will not offer the Request. If **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** indicates it will not offer the Request, **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will provide a detailed explanation for the denial. Possible explanations may be, but are not limited to: (i) access to the Request is not technically feasible, (ii) that the Request is not for a Lawful UNE, or is otherwise not required to be provided by **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** under the Act and/or, (iii) that the BFR is not the correct process for the request.
- 6.3.9 If the Preliminary Analysis indicates that **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** will offer the Request, CLEC may, at its discretion provide written authorization for **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** to develop the Request and prepare a "BFR Quote". The BFR Quote shall, as applicable, include (i) the first date of availability, (ii) installation intervals, (iii) applicable rates (recurring, nonrecurring and other), (iv) BFR development and processing costs and (v) terms and conditions by which the Request shall be made available. CLEC's written authorization to develop the BFR Quote must be received by **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** within thirty (30) calendar days of CLEC's receipt of the Preliminary Analysis. If no authorization to proceed is received within such thirty (30) calendar day period, the BFR will be deemed canceled and CLEC will pay to **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** all demonstrable costs as set forth above. Any request by CLEC for **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** to proceed with a Request received after the thirty (30) calendar day window will require CLEC to submit a new BFR.
- 6.3.10 As soon as feasible, but not more than ninety (90) calendar days after its receipt of authorization to develop the BFR Quote, **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** shall provide to CLEC a BFR Quote.
- 6.3.11 Within thirty (30) calendar days of its receipt of the BFR Quote, CLEC must either (i) confirm its order pursuant to the BFR Quote (ii) cancel its BFR and reimburse **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** for its costs incurred up to the date of cancellation, or (iii) if it believes the BFR Quote is inconsistent with the requirements of the Act and/or this Appendix, exercise its rights under the Dispute Resolution Process set forth in the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement. If **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** does not receive notice of any of the foregoing within such thirty (30) calendar day period, the BFR shall be deemed canceled. CLEC shall be responsible to reimburse **SBC-10STATE**, **SBC NEVADA** for its costs incurred up to the date of cancellation (whether affirmatively canceled or deemed canceled by CLEC).
- 6.3.12 Unless CLEC agrees otherwise, all rates and costs quoted or invoiced herein shall be consistent with the pricing principles of the Act, *applicable FCC rules or applicable Commission rules*.
- 6.3.13 If a Party believes that the other Party is not requesting, negotiating or processing a BFR in good faith and/or as required by the Act, or if a Party disputes a determination, or price or cost quote, such Party may seek relief pursuant to the Dispute Resolution Process set forth in the General Terms and Conditions section of this Agreement.

6.4\* **Item II**

**SBC CONNECTICUT Bona Fide Request Process**

- 6.4.1 The Bona Fide Request provisions set forth in 6.3 Item I shall apply to BFRs submitted to **SBC CONNECTICUT**, with the following exceptions:
- 6.4.2 Section 6.3.1 is amended to add the following: A CLEC may submit a BFR to request new Lawful UNEs, provided the request is not covered by one of the following conditions:
- 6.4.2.1 The Lawful UNEs requested have not previously been identified or defined by the Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC), the Federal Communications Commission, the CLEC's approved interconnection agreement, or in the listings of combinations in Docket No. 98-02-01, DPUC Investigation into Rebundling of Telephone Company Network Elements, August 17, 1998.
- 6.4.2.2 The Lawful UNEs requested are not currently deployed by an incumbent local exchange carrier in another jurisdiction or deemed acceptable for deployment by another state Commission or an industry standards body.
- 6.4.2.3 The Lawful UNEs requested are not included in a Telco tariffed offering as an existing capability or functional equivalent.
- 6.4.2.4 If the request is covered by one of the conditions listed above, **SBC CONNECTICUT** will make these items generally available.
- 6.4.3 Sections 6.3.3 and 6.3.4 are amended as follows: No charges apply for **SBC CONNECTICUT** to prepare the Preliminary Analysis.
- 6.4.4 Section 6.3.6 is amended as follows: Cancellation charges will not apply if the written notice of cancellation is received by **SBC CONNECTICUT** after **SBC CONNECTICUT** submits its Preliminary Analysis to CLEC but before CLEC's request for the BFR Quote. Cancellation charges will apply after CLEC submits its request for **SBC CONNECTICUT** to provide a BFR Quote, but before the BFR Quote is provided to CLEC. CLEC shall be liable for reimbursement of all actual costs in connection with developing the BFR Quote incurred up to the time **SBC CONNECTICUT** receives the written notice of cancellation from CLEC. However, if **SBC CONNECTICUT** receives notification from CLEC for cancellation of the BFR after receipt by CLEC of the BFR Quote, the cancellation charges shall not exceed the lesser of the actual costs incurred by **SBC CONNECTICUT** or the estimate in the BFR Quote plus twenty percent (20%).
- 6.4.5 Section 6.3.7 is amended as follows: **SBC CONNECTICUT** will promptly consider and analyze each BFR it receives. Within ten (10) Business Days of its receipt, **SBC CONNECTICUT** will acknowledge receipt of the BFR and in such acknowledgement advise CLEC of the need for any further information needed to process the Request. CLEC acknowledges that the time intervals set forth in this Appendix begin once **SBC CONNECTICUT** has received a complete and accurate BFR Application Form.
- 6.4.6 **SBC CONNECTICUT** will apply standard tariffed Processing Fees (BFR development costs) according to the Connecticut Access Service Tariff 4.11.
- 6.4.7 For **SBC CONNECTICUT**, under the Dispute Resolution Process (DRP), either Party may petition the Department for relief pursuant to its own processes and the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act regarding the issues raised during the BFR process. Upon request, a designated member of the Department staff may confer with both Parties orally or in person concerning the substance of the Parties' dispute, and may make such recommendations as he or she shall deem appropriate for consideration by both Parties to resolve expeditiously the issues in dispute. Any such participation by Department staff in such mediation shall not be construed in any subsequent proceeding as establishing precedent or any Formal position of the Department on the matter in dispute.

\* Section 6.4 is available only in the State of Connecticut. Refer to INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, Paragraph 2.10.1.



6.5 Item III

**SBC CALIFORNIA** Bona Fide Request Process

- 6.5.1 The Bona Fide Request provisions set forth in 6.3 Item I shall apply to BFRs submitted to **SBC CALIFORNIA**, with the following exceptions:
- 6.5.2 Section 6.3.1 is amended as follows: A Bona Fide Request ("BFR") is the process by which CLEC may request **SBC CALIFORNIA** to provide CLEC access to an additional or new, undefined Lawful UNE.
- 6.5.3 Interconnection arrangement, or other (a "Request"), that is required to be provided by **SBC CALIFORNIA** under the Act but is not available under this Agreement or defined in a generic appendix at the time of CLEC's request.
- 6.5.4 Section 6.3.3 is amended as follows: All BFRs must be submitted with a BFR/Interconnection or Network Element Application Form in accordance with the specifications and processes set forth in the sections of the Handbook.
- 6.5.5 Section 6.3.8 is amended as follows: Except under extraordinary circumstances, within thirty (30) calendar days of its receipt of a complete and accurate BFR, **SBC CALIFORNIA** will provide to CLEC a Preliminary Analysis of such Request. The Preliminary Analysis will confirm that **SBC CALIFORNIA** will offer the request. The Preliminary Analysis provided by **SBC CALIFORNIA** will include cost categories (material, labor and other) and high level costs for the request. **SBC CALIFORNIA** will attempt to provide a "yes" response earlier than thirty (30) calendar days if possible. CLEC acknowledges that an earlier "yes" response will not include high level costs. The costs will be sent by the 30<sup>th</sup> calendar day. When wholesale construction is required, costs will be provided within an additional twenty-four (24) calendar days (i.e., by the 54<sup>th</sup> calendar day).
- 6.5.6 If the BFR is denied, **SBC CALIFORNIA** will notify CLEC within fifteen (15) calendar days. The reason for denial will accompany the notification. Reasons for denial may include, but are not limited to: 1) not technically feasible, 2) the BFR is not the appropriate process for the Request and there is a referral to the appropriate process, and/or 3) the Request does not qualify as a new Lawful UNE, interconnection or other arrangement required by law.
- 6.5.7 If **SBC CALIFORNIA** refers CLEC to an alternate process, the details of the provision of the alternate process will accompany the notification. The details may include an application form for the alternate process and other documentation required for CLEC to submit the application for the alternate process.

7. NETWORK INTERFACE DEVICE

- 7.1 Subject to Section 2 of this Appendix Lawful UNE, **SBC-13STATE** shall provide Lawful UNE Network Interface Device under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.
- 7.2 The Lawful UNE Network Interface Device (NID) is defined as any means of interconnection of End User premises wiring to **SBC-13STATE**'s distribution loop facilities, such as a cross connect device used for that purpose. Fundamentally, the Lawful UNE NID establishes the final (and official) network demarcation point between the loop and the End User's inside wire. Maintenance and control of the End User's inside wiring (on the End User's side of the Lawful UNE NID) is under the control of the End User. Conflicts between telephone service providers for access to the End User's inside wire must be resolved by the End User. Pursuant to applicable FCC rules, **SBC-13STATE** offers nondiscriminatory access to the Lawful UNE NID on an unbundled basis to CLEC for the provision of a Telecommunications Service. CLEC access to the Lawful UNE NID is offered as specified below (**SBC-12STATE**) or by tariff (**SBC CONNECTICUT**).
- 7.3 **SBC-12STATE** will permit CLEC to connect its local loop facilities to End Users' premises wiring through **SBC-12STATE**'s Lawful UNE NID, or at any other technically feasible point.

\* Section 6.5 is available only in the State of California. Refer to INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, Paragraph 2.10.1.

- 7.4 CLEC may connect to the End User's premises wiring through the SBC-12STATE Lawful UNE NID, as is, or at any other technically feasible point. Any repairs, upgrade and rearrangements to the Lawful UNE NID required by CLEC will be performed by SBC-12STATE based on Time and Material charges. SBC-12STATE, at the request of CLEC, will disconnect the SBC-12STATE local loop from the Lawful UNE NID, at charges reflected in the state specific Appendix Pricing.
- 7.5 With respect to multiple dwelling units or multiple-unit business premises, CLEC will connect directly with the End User's premises wire, or may connect with the End User's premises wire via SBC-12STATE's Lawful UNE NID where necessary.
- 7.6 The SBC-12STATE Lawful UNE NIDs that CLEC uses under this Appendix will be existing Lawful UNE NIDs installed by SBC-12STATE to serve its End Users.
- 7.7 CLEC shall not attach to or disconnect SBC-12STATE's ground. CLEC shall not cut or disconnect SBC-12STATE's loop from the Lawful UNE NID and/or its protector. CLEC shall not cut any other leads in the Lawful UNE NID.
- 7.8 CLEC, who has constructed its own NID at a premises and needs only to make contact with SBC-12STATE's Lawful UNE NID, can disconnect the End User's wiring from SBC-12STATE's Lawful UNE NID and reconnect it to the CLEC's NID.
- 7.9 If CLEC requests any additional type of access to the Lawful UNE NID not specifically referenced above, SBC-12STATE will consider the requested type of access via a mutually feasible method, to be facilitated via the Bona Fide Request (BFR) Process.

## 8. **LAWFUL UNE LOCAL LOOP**

- 8.1 Subject to the other terms and conditions of this Appendix, SBC-13STATE shall provide Lawful UNE Local Loop under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.
- 8.2 A Lawful UNE Local Loop is a transmission facility between a distribution frame (or its equivalent) in an SBC-13STATE Central Office and the loop demarcation point at an End User premises. SBC-13STATE will make available the Lawful UNE Local Loops set forth herein below between a distribution frame (or its equivalent) in an SBC-13STATE Central Office and the loop demarcation point at an End User premises. The Parties acknowledge and agree that SBC-13STATE shall not be obligated to provision any of the Lawful UNE Local Loops provided for herein to cellular sites or to any other location that does not constitute an End User premises. Where applicable, the Lawful UNE Local Loop includes all wire within multiple dwelling and tenant buildings and campuses that provides access to End User premises wiring, provided such wire is owned and controlled by SBC-13STATE. The Lawful UNE Local Loop includes all features, functions and capabilities of the transmission facility, including attached electronics (except those electronics used for the provision of advanced services, such as Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexers), and CLEC requested line conditioning (subject to applicable charges in Appendix Pricing). The Lawful UNE Local Loop ***includes, but is not limited to*** copper loops (two-wire and four-wire analog voice-grade copper loops, digital copper loops [e.g., DS0s and integrated services digital network lines]), as well as two-wire and four-wire copper loops conditioned, at CLEC request and subject to charges, to transmit the digital signals needed to provide digital subscriber line services) ***(the terms and conditions for 2-wire and 4-wire xDSL loops are set forth in the xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix to, or elsewhere in this Agreement where xDSL loops are addressed. xDSL loops are not covered under this Appendix Lawful UNEs), DS1, DS3, and dark fiber, where such loops are deployed in SBC-13STATE wire centers.*** CLEC agrees to operate each Lawful UNE Local Loop type within applicable technical standards and parameters.
  - 8.2.1 When a Lawful UNE Local Loop is ordered to a high voltage area, the Parties understand and agree that the Lawful UNE Local Loop will require a High Voltage Protective Equipment (HVPE) (e.g., a positron), to ensure the safety and integrity of the network, the Parties' employees and/or representatives, and the CLEC's End User. Therefore, any request by CLEC for a Lawful UNE Local Loop to a high voltage area will be submitted by CLEC to SBC-13STATE via the BFR process

set forth in Section 6 "Bona Fide Request," and CLEC shall be required to pay **SBC-13STATE** for any HVPE that is provisioned by **SBC-13STATE** to CLEC in connection with the CLEC's Lawful UNE Local Loop order to the high voltage area. *In the alternative, CLEC can provide its own HVPE provided the HVPE meets **SBC-13STATE's** or other appropriate industry standards.*

- 8.3 The following types of Lawful UNE Local Loop will be provided at the rates, terms, and conditions set forth in this Appendix (**SBC-12STATE**) or by tariff (**SBC CONNECTICUT**) and in the state specific Appendix Pricing (**SBC-12STATE**) or by tariff (**SBC CONNECTICUT**):

8.3.1 2-Wire Analog Lawful UNE Local Loop

8.3.1.1 A 2-Wire analog loop is a transmission facility which supports analog voice frequency, voice band services with loop start signaling within the frequency spectrum of approximately 300 Hz and 3000 Hz.

8.3.1.2 If CLEC requests one or more Lawful UNE Local Loops serviced by Integrated Digital Loop Carrier (IDLC) **SBC-12STATE** will, where available, move the requested Lawful UNE Local Loop(s) to a spare, existing all-copper or universal digital loop carrier Lawful UNE Local Loop at no additional charge to CLEC. If, however, no spare Lawful UNE Local Loop is available, as defined above, **SBC-12STATE** will within two (2) business days of CLEC's request, notify CLEC of the lack of available facilities.

8.3.2 4-Wire Analog Lawful UNE Local Loop

8.3.2.1 A 4-Wire analog loop is a transmission facility that provides a non-signaling voice band frequency spectrum of approximately 300 Hz to 3000 Hz. The 4-Wire analog loop provides separate transmit and receive paths.

8.3.3 2-Wire Digital Lawful UNE Local Loop

8.3.3.1 A 2-Wire 160 Kbps digital loop is a transmission facility which supports Basic Rate ISDN (BRI) digital exchange services. The 2-Wire digital loop 160 Kbps supports usable bandwidth up to 160 Kbps, including overhead.

- 8.3.4 As no other type of loop constitutes a Lawful UNE loop (other than 2-wire and 4-wire xDSL loops provided for elsewhere in this Agreement), **SBC-13STATE** is not obligated under this Section 251/252 Agreement to provide any other type of loop, including, but not limited to DS1, DS3 or higher capacity loops, or dark fiber loops. CLEC shall not request such loops under this Agreement, whether alone, in combination or Commingled. Accordingly, if CLEC requests and **SBC-13STATE** provides a loop(s) that is not described or provided for in this Agreement, **SBC-13STATE** may, at any time, even after the loop(s) has been provided to CLEC, discontinue providing such loop(s) (including any combination(s) including that loop) upon 30 days' advance written notice to CLEC. Without affecting the application or interpretation of any other provisions regarding waiver, estoppel, laches, or similar concepts in other situations, the failure of **SBC-13STATE** to refuse to provide, including if **SBC-13STATE** provides or continues to provide, access to such loop(s) (whether on a stand-alone basis, in combination with UNEs (Lawful or otherwise), with a network element possessed by CLEC, or otherwise), shall not act as a waiver of any part of this Agreement, and estoppel, laches, or other similar concepts shall not act to affect any rights or requirements hereunder.

8.3.4 4-Wire Digital UNE Local Loop

8.3.4.1 *A 4-Wire 1.544 Mbps digital loop is a transmission facility that will support DS1 service including Primary Rate ISDN (PRI). The 4-wire digital loop 1.544 Mbps supports usable bandwidth up to 1.544 Mbps.*

8.3.5 DS3 Digital UNE Local Loop

8.3.5.1 *The DS3 loop provides a digital, 45 Mbps transmission facility from the **SBC-13STATE** Central Office to the end user premises.*

### 8.3.5.2 DS3 UNE Local Loop "Caps"

8.3.5.2.1 SBC-13STATE is not obligated to provide to CLEC more than two (2) DS3 UNE Local Loops per requesting carrier to any single End User premise location; accordingly, SBC-13STATE may reject CLEC orders for DS3 UNE Local Loops once CLEC has already obtained two of these types of loops at the same End User premise location. Further, even if SBC-13STATE accepts such orders, it may, without further notice or liability, reject future orders and further provisioning of DS3 UNE Local Loops at the same End User premises location. At SBC-13STATE's option it may accept the order, but convert any DS3 UNE Local Loop(s) in excess of the cap to Special Access, and applicable Special Access charges will apply to CLEC for such DS3 UNE Local Loop(s) as of the date of provisioning.

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### 8.5 Routine Network Modifications – Lawful UNE Local Loops

8.5.1 SBC-13STATE shall make routine network modifications to Lawful UNE Local Loop facilities used by requesting telecommunications carriers where the requested Lawful UNE Local Loop facility has already been constructed. SBC-13STATE shall perform routine network modifications to Lawful UNE Local Loop facilities in a nondiscriminatory fashion, without regard to whether the Lawful UNE Local Loop facility being accessed was constructed on behalf, or in accordance with the specifications, of any carrier.

8.5.2 A routine network modification is an activity that SBC-13STATE regularly undertakes for its own retail customers where there are no additional charges or minimum term commitments. Routine network modifications include rearranging or splicing of existing cable; adding an equipment case; adding a doubler or repeater; adding a smart jack; installing a repeater shelf; adding a line card; deploying a new multiplexer or reconfiguring an existing multiplexer; and attaching electronic and other equipment that the incumbent LEC ordinarily attaches to activate such loop for its own retail customers, under the same conditions and in the same manner that SBC-13STATE does for its own retail customers. Routine network modifications may entail activities such as accessing manholes, deploying bucket trucks to reach aerial cable, and installing equipment casings.

8.5.3 Routine network modifications do not include constructing a new loop, installing new cable; splicing cable at any location other than an existing splice point or at any location where a splice enclosure is not already present; securing permits, rights-of-way, or building access arrangements; constructing and/or placing new manholes, handholes, poles, ducts or conduits; installing new terminals or terminal enclosures (e.g., controlled environmental vaults, huts, or cabinets); or providing new space or power for requesting carriers; removing or reconfiguring packetized transmission facility; or the provision of electronics for the purpose of lighting dark fiber (i.e., optronics). SBC-13STATE is not obligated to perform those activities for a requesting telecommunications carrier.

8.5.4 SBC-13STATE shall determine whether and how to perform routine network modifications using the same network or outside plant engineering principles that would be applied in providing service to SBC-13STATE's retail customers.

8.5.5 This Agreement does not require SBC-13STATE to deploy time division multiplexing-based features, functions and capabilities with any copper or fiber packetized transmission facility to the extent SBC-13STATE has not already done so; remove or reconfigure packet switching equipment or equipment used to provision a packetized transmission path; reconfigure a copper or fiber packetized transmission facility to provide time division multiplexing-based features, functions and capabilities; nor does this Agreement prohibit SBC-13STATE from upgrading a customer from a TDM-based service to a packet switched or packet transmission service, or removing copper loops

or subloops from the network, provided **SBC-13STATE** complies with the copper loop or copper subloop retirement rules in 47 C.F.R. 51.319(a)(3)(iii).

8.5.6 **Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, SBC-13STATE's obligations with respect to routine network modifications apply only where the loop transmission facilities are subject to unbundling and, as to access to the TDM capabilities of SBC-13STATE's hybrid loops, only with respect to any existing capabilities of SBC-13STATE's hybrid loops. SBC-13STATE has no obligation to perform routine network modifications in connection with FTTH loops or FTTC loops.**

8.5.7 **SBC-12STATE shall provide routine network modifications at the rates, terms and conditions set out in this Appendix (SBC-12STATE), and in the state specific Appendix Pricing (SBC-12STATE) or by tariff, as such tariff may be modified from time to time (SBC CONNECTICUT). A rate for any routine network modification shown as "ICB" in Appendix Pricing or the applicable tariff indicates that the Parties have not negotiated, and/or that the State Commission has not reviewed and approved, a specific rate for that routine network modification. The ICB rate shall be determined on an individual case basis and shall reflect an engineering estimate of the actual costs of time and materials required to perform the routine network modification; provided, however, that the ICB rate shall not include any costs already recovered through existing, applicable recurring and non-recurring charges. The resulting ICB rates shall continue to apply to such routine network modifications unless and until the Parties negotiate specific rates for such routine network modifications or specific rates are otherwise established for such routine network modifications. However, CLEC shall not be financially responsible for a routine network modification charge not approved specifically by the CLEC.**

## 9. **LAWFUL UNE SUBLOOPS**

9.1 Subject to the other terms and conditions of this Appendix, **SBC-12STATE** shall provide Lawful UNE Subloops under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.

9.2 **SBC-12STATE** will provide Lawful UNE Subloops as set forth in this Appendix. Other than as specifically set out elsewhere in this Agreement, **SBC CONNECTICUT** does not offer Lawful UNE Subloops under this Agreement. Rather, Lawful UNE Subloops are available as described in Section 18 of the Connecticut Service Tariff.

9.2.1 A Lawful UNE Subloop is a smaller included segment of **SBC-12STATE**'s local loop plant, i.e., a portion of the loop from some technically accessible terminal beyond **SBC-12STATE**'s central office and the network demarcation point, including that portion of the loop, if any, which **SBC-12STATE**'s owns and controls inside the End User premises.

### 9.3 **Definitions pertaining to the Lawful UNE Subloop**

9.3.1 Accessible terminals contain cables and their respective wire pairs that terminate on screw posts or through other comparable arrangement within the terminal. This allows technicians to affix cross connects between binding posts of terminals collocated at the same point. Terminals differ from splice cases, which are inaccessible because the case must be breached to reach the wires within.

9.3.2 "Dead Count" refers to those binding posts which have cable spliced to them but which cable is not currently terminated to any terminal to provide service.

9.3.3 "Demarcation Point" is defined as the point on the loop where the ILEC's control of the wire ceases and the subscriber's control (or on the case of some multiunit premises, the landlord's control) of the wire begins.

9.3.4 "Digital Lawful UNE Subloop" may be deployed on non-loaded copper cable pairs, channels of a digital loop carrier system, channels of a fiber optic transport system or other technologies suitable for the purpose of providing 160 Kbps **and 1.544 Mbps** Lawful UNE Subloop transport.

- 9.3.5 "Distribution Cable" is defined as the cable from the SAI/FDI to the terminals from which an end user can be connected to the ILEC's network.
- 9.3.6 "MTE" for the purpose of Term To NID Lawful UNE Subloop. "MTE" is a Multi Tenant Environment for buildings with exterior or interior mounted terminals.
- 9.3.7 "Network Terminating Wire (NTW)" is the service wire that connects the ILEC's distribution cable to the NID at the demarcation point in multi-tenant units.
- 9.3.8 "SAI/FDI-to-Term Lawful UNE Subloop" is that portion of the loop from the SAI/FDI to an accessible terminal.
- 9.3.9 "SAI/FDI-to-NID Lawful UNE Subloop" is that portion of the loop from the SAI/FDI to the Network Interface Device (NID), which is located on an end user's premise.
- 9.3.10 "SPOI" is defined as a Single Point of Interconnection. At the request of CLEC, and subject to charges, **SBC-12STATE** will construct a SPOI only to those multiunit premises where **SBC-12STATE** has distribution facilities to the premises and **SBC-12STATE** either owns, controls, or leases the inside wire, if any, at such premises. If **SBC-12STATE** has no facilities which it owns, controls or leases at a multiunit premise through which it serves, or can serve, End Users at such premise, it is not obligated to construct a SPOI. **SBC-12STATE**'s obligation to build a SPOI for multiunit premises only arises when CLEC indicates that it will place an order for a Lawful UNE Subloop via a SPOI.
- 9.3.11 "SAI/FDI" is defined as the point in the ILEC's network where feeder cable is cross connected to the distribution cable. "SAI" is Serving Area Interface. "FDI" is Feeder Distribution Interface. The terms are interchangeable.
- 9.3.12 "Term-to-NID Lawful UNE Subloop" is that portion of the loop from an accessible terminal to the NID, which is located at an end user's premise. Term-to-NID Lawful UNE Subloop includes use of the Network Terminating Wire (NTW).
- 9.4 **SBC-12STATE** will offer the following Lawful UNE Subloop types:
- 9.4.1 2-Wire Analog Lawful UNE Subloop provides a 2-wire (one twisted pair cable or equivalent) capable of transporting analog signals in the frequency range of approximately 300 to 3000 hertz (voiceband).
- 9.4.2 4-Wire Analog Lawful UNE Subloop provides a 4-wire (two twisted pair cables or equivalent, with separate transmit and receive paths) capable of transporting analog signals in the frequency range of approximately 300 to 3000 hertz (voiceband).
- 9.4.3 Lawful UNE xDSL Subloop is as defined in the Line Sharing, Line Splitting and xDSL Appendix and will be available to CLEC in the **SBC-12STATE** states in those instances where CLEC has an approved and effective Line Sharing, Line Splitting and xDSL Appendix as a part of this Agreement. In addition to the provisions set forth in the Line Sharing, Line Splitting and xDSL Appendix, the Lawful UNE xDSL Subloop is subject to the Lawful UNE subloop terms and conditions set forth in this Appendix, the collocation provisions set forth elsewhere in this Agreement and the rates set forth in the Appendix Pricing. If there is any conflict between the provisions set forth in the Line Sharing, Line Splitting and xDSL Appendix as to the Lawful UNE xDSL Subloop and the Lawful UNE subloop provisions set forth in this Appendix, the Lawful UNE subloop provisions set forth in this Appendix shall control.
- 9.4.4 As no other type of Subloop constitutes a Lawful UNE subloop, **SBC-13STATE** is not obligated under this Section 251/252 Agreement to provide any other type of subloop. CLEC shall not request such subloops under this Agreement, whether alone, in combination or Commingled. Accordingly, if CLEC requests and **SBC-13STATE** provides a subloop(s) that is not described or provided for in this Agreement, **SBC-13STATE** may, at any time, even after the subloop(s) has been provided to CLEC, discontinue providing such subloop(s) (including any combination(s) including that subloop) upon 30 days' advance written notice to CLEC.

Without affecting the application or interpretation of any other provisions regarding waiver, estoppel, laches, or similar concepts in other situations, the failure of **SBC-13STATE** to refuse to provide, including if **SBC-13STATE** provides or continues to provide, access to such subloop(s) (whether on a stand-alone basis, in combination with UNEs (Lawful or otherwise), with a network element possessed by CLEC, or otherwise), shall not act as a waiver of any part of this Agreement, and estoppel, laches, or other similar concepts shall not act to affect any rights or requirements hereunder.

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9.6 Lawful UNE Subloops are provided "as is" unless CLEC requests loop conditioning on Lawful UNE xDSL Subloops for the purpose of offering advanced services. Lawful UNE xDSL Subloop conditioning will be provided at the rates, terms, and conditions set out in the state specific Appendix Pricing.

9.7 If a Term to NID Lawful UNE Subloop has been disconnected and thus an end-user is no longer receiving service via that Lawful UNE Subloop, and such Lawful UNE Subloop has been determined to be a non-defective pair, then that Lawful UNE Subloop would be considered an existing spare portion of the loop, based on a first come first served basis.

#### 9.8 Copper Lawful UNE Subloops

9.8.1 Access to terminals for copper Lawful UNE Subloops is defined to include:

- any technically feasible point near the End User premises accessible by a cross-connect (such as the pole or pedestal, the NID, or the minimum point of entry (MPOE) to the End User premises),
- the Feeder Distribution Interface (FDI) or Serving Area Interface (SAI), where the "feeder" leading back to the central office and the "distribution" plant branching out to the subscribers meet,
- the Terminal (underground or aerial).

9.9 CLEC may request access to the following copper Lawful UNE Subloop segments:

#### FROM:

#### TO:

- |   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Serving Area Interface or<br>Feeder Distribution Interface | Terminal                 |
| 2. Serving Area Interface or<br>Feeder Distribution Interface | Network Interface Device |
| 3. Terminal   | Network Interface Device |
| 4. NID  | Stand Alone              |
| 5. SPOI (Single Point of Interface)                           | Terminal                 |
| 6. SPOI (Single Point of Interface)                           | Network Interface Device |

#### 9.10 Provisioning

9.10.1 Connecting Facility Arrangement (CFA) assignments must be in-place prior to ordering and assigning specific Lawful UNE Subloop circuit(s).

9.10.2 Spare Lawful UNE Subloop(s) will be assigned to CLEC only when an LSR/ASR is processed. LSR/ASRs will be processed on a "first come first serve" basis.

#### 9.11 Maintenance

9.11.1 The Parties acknowledge that by separating switching, and distribution plant, the ability to perform mechanized testing and monitoring of the Lawful UNE Subloop from the **SBC-12STATE** switch/testing equipment will be lost.

9.11.2 CLEC shall isolate trouble to the **SBC-12STATE** Lawful UNE Subloop portion of the CLEC's service before reporting trouble to **SBC-12STATE**.

- 9.11.3 **SBC-12STATE** shall charge the CLEC a Maintenance of Service Charge (MSC) when CLEC dispatches **SBC-12STATE** on a trouble report and the fault is determined to be in the CLEC's portion of the loop. Such charges may be found in the individual state pricing appendices or tariffs.
- 9.11.4 Once all Lawful UNE Subloop access arrangements (SAAs) have been completed and balance of payment due **SBC-12STATE** is received, the CLEC may place a LSR for Subloops at this location. Prices at which **SBC-12STATE** agrees to provide CLEC with Lawful UNE Subloops are contained in the state specific Appendix Pricing.
- 9.11.5 In the event of Catastrophic Damage to the RT, SAI/FDI, Terminal, SPOI, or NID where CLEC has a SAA, **SBC-12STATE** repair forces will restore service in a non-discriminatory manner which will allow the greatest number of all End Users to be restored in the least amount of time. Should the CLEC cabling require replacement, **SBC-12STATE** will provide prompt notification to CLEC for CLEC to provide the replacement cable to be terminated as necessary.
- 9.12 **Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangements**
- 9.12.1 Prior to ordering Lawful UNE Subloop facilities, CLEC will establish Collocation using the appropriate Collocation process as set forth in the appropriate Collocation Appendix, or will establish a Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement, where necessary, utilizing the Special Construction Arrangement (SCA), either of which are necessary to interconnect to the **SBC-12STATE** Lawful UNE Subloop network.
- 9.12.2 The space available for collocating or obtaining various Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangements will vary depending on the existing plant at a particular location. The CLEC will initiate an SCA by submitting a Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement Application.
- 9.12.3 Upon receipt of a complete and correct application, **SBC-12STATE** will provide to CLEC within thirty (30) days a written estimate for the actual construction, labor, materials, and related provisioning costs incurred to fulfill the SCA on a Time and Materials basis. When CLEC submits a request to provide a written estimate for Lawful UNE Subloop access, appropriate rates for the engineering and other associated costs performed will be charged.
- 9.12.4 The assignment of Lawful UNE Subloop facilities will incorporate reasonable practices used to administer outside plant loop facilities. For example, where SAI/FDI interfaces are currently administered in 25 pair cable complements, this will continue to be the practice in assigning and administering Lawful UNE Subloop facilities.
- 9.12.5 Subloop inquiries do not serve to reserve Lawful UNE Subloops.
- 9.12.6 Several options exist for Collocation or Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangements at technically feasible points. Sound engineering judgment will be utilized to ensure network security and integrity. Each situation will be analyzed on a case-by-case basis.
- 9.12.7 If SBC-12State does not have the appropriate rights of way for the placement of structure necessary for the SAA, CLEC will be responsible for obtaining rights of way from owners of property prior to submitting a request for a SCA.
- 9.12.8 Prior to submitting the Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement Application for SCA, the CLEC should have the "Collocation" and "Poles, Conduit, and Row" appendices in the Agreement to provide the guidelines for both CLEC and ILEC to successfully implement Lawful UNE Subloops, should collocation, access to poles/conduits or rights of way be required.
- 9.12.9 Except as set forth below in this 9.12.9, construction of the Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement shall be completed within ninety (90) days of CLEC submitting to **SBC-12STATE** written approval and payment of not less than 50% of the total estimated construction costs and related provisioning costs after an estimate has been accepted by the carrier and before construction begins, with the balance payable upon completion. **SBC-12STATE** will not begin any construction under the SCA until the CLEC has provided proof that it has obtained necessary rights of way as defined in Section 9.12.7. In the event CLEC disputes the estimate for an SAA in



accordance with the dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Agreement, **SBC-12STATE** will proceed with construction of the SAA upon receipt from CLEC of notice of the dispute and not less than fifty percent (50%) of the total estimated costs, with the balance payable by CLEC upon completion of the SAA. Such payments may be subject to any "true-up", if applicable, upon resolution of the dispute in accordance with the Dispute Resolution procedures.

9.12.10 Upon completion of the construction activity, the CLEC will be allowed to test the installation with a **SBC-12STATE** technician. If the CLEC desires test access to the SAA, the CLEC should place its own test point in its cable prior to cable entry into **SBC-12STATE**'s interconnection point.

9.12.11 A non-binding CLEC forecast shall be required as a part of the request for SAA, identifying the Lawful UNE Subloops required for line-shared and non line-shared arrangements to each subtending SAI. This will allow **SBC-12STATE** to properly engineer access to each SAI and to ensure **SBC-12STATE** does not provide more available terminations than the CLEC expects to use.

9.12.12 In order to maximize the availability of terminations for all CLECs, the CLEC shall provide CFA for their Lawful UNE Subloop pairs utilizing the same 25-pair binder group. The CLEC would begin utilizing the second 25-pair binder group once the first 25-pair binder group reached its capacity.

9.12.13 Unused CLEC terminations (in normal splicing increments such as 25-pair at a SAI/FDI) which remain unused for a period of one year after the completion of construction shall be subject to removal at CLEC expense.

9.12.14 In the event a CLEC elects to discontinue use of an existing SAA, or abandons such arrangement, CLEC shall pay **SBC-12STATE** for removal of their facilities from the SAA.

#### 9.13 Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement (SAA) Access Points

##### 9.13.1 SAI/FDI, ECS, SPOI, or Terminal

9.13.1.1 CLEC cable to be terminated in a **SBC-12STATE** SAI/FDI, or Terminal, shall consist of 22 or 24-gauge copper twisted pair cable bonded and grounded to the power company Multi Grounded Neutral (MGN). Cable may be filled if buried or buried to aerial riser cable. CLEC's Aerial cables should be aircore.

9.13.1.2 The CLEC may elect to place their cable to within 3 feet of the SAA site and coil up an amount of cable, defined by the engineer in the design phase, that **SBC-12STATE** will terminate on available binding posts in the SAI/FDI or Terminal.

9.13.1.3 The CLEC may "stub" up a cable at a prearranged meet point, defined during the engineering site visit, and **SBC-12STATE** will stub out a cable from the SAI/FDI or Terminal, which **SBC-12STATE** will splice to the CLEC cable at the meet point.

9.13.1.4 Dead counts will be offered as long as they have not been placed for expansion purposes planned within the 12-month period beginning on the date of the inquiry LSR.

#### 9.14 Relocation of Existing ILEC/CLEC Facilities involved in a SAA at a RT/ECS, SAI/FDI, SPOI, Terminal or NID

9.14.1 **SBC-12STATE** shall notify CLEC of pending relocation as soon as **SBC-12STATE** receives such notice.

9.14.2 CLEC shall notify **SBC-12STATE** of its intentions to remain, or not, in the SAA by way of a new Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement Application.

9.14.3 If the relocation is requested by CLEC, **SBC-12STATE** shall then provide the CLEC an estimate to terminate their facilities as part of the relocation of the site including the applicable SAA. This process may require a site visit with the CLEC and **SBC-12STATE** engineer. **CLEC shall not be liable for any costs associated with a relocation initiated by SBC-12STATE.**

- 9.14.4 CLEC shall notify **SBC-12STATE** of acceptance or rejection of the new SCA within 10 business days of its receipt of **SBC-12STATE**'s estimate.
- 9.14.5 Upon acceptance of the **SBC-12STATE** estimate, CLEC shall pay at least 50% of the relocation costs at the same time as they notify **SBC-12STATE** of their acceptance of estimate costs.
- 9.14.6 Should CLEC decide not to continue the SAA, CLEC will notify **SBC-12STATE** as to the date that **SBC-12STATE** may remove CLEC's facilities from that SAA. CLEC will pay **SBC-12STATE** for all costs associated with the removal of the CLEC's SAA.
- 9.14.7 In the event that CLEC does not respond to **SBC-12STATE** in time to have their facilities relocated, **SBC-12STATE** shall move CLEC facilities and submit a bill for payment to the CLEC for the costs associated with the relocation. Should CLEC elect not pay this bill, then CLEC facilities will be removed from the site upon 30 days notice to the CLEC.
- 9.15 **Establishment of Intermediary Box for CLEC Access to Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment**
- 9.15.1 As an alternative to the establishment of a Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement in those instances where CLEC wishes to access/lease **SBC-12STATE** Term to NID Lawful UNE Subloop segments in order to serve its End Users at MTEs in **SBC-12STATE** ("Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments"), CLEC may place, own and manage, for its own use, an intermediary box, which would provide CLEC with access to a Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment cross-connect leased from **SBC-12STATE** within the intermediary box (in order to obtain access to **SBC-12STATE** Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments). In the event CLEC wishes to access **SBC-12STATE** Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments via the establishment of an intermediary box, the following rates, terms and conditions shall apply:
- 9.15.1.1 CLEC would manage the process for placing its own intermediary box, including, without limitation, coordination with the property owner and/or management. CLEC may, at its discretion, choose to retain ownership in whole or to share ownership of the intermediary box with other CLECs. CLEC will provide sufficient wire and physical protection for the wire from its intermediate box to **SBC-12STATE**'s terminal.
- 9.15.1.2 The intermediary box shall contain blocks that meet **SBC-12STATE**'s published industry standards for the placement of services and facilities and should be labeled with CLEC's ACNA to enable the **SBC-12STATE** technician the ability to run jumper/cross connect from **SBC-12STATE** terminal to the intermediary box.
- 9.15.1.3 CLEC agrees that the **SBC-12STATE** technician shall run the jumper/cross-connect from **SBC-12STATE**'s serving terminal to CLEC's intermediary box, in order for CLEC to access **SBC-12STATE** Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments in **SBC-12STATE**. For security and safety, SBC will incase the cross connect in conduit, a protective covered common path, between the SBC terminal and the CLEC's intermediary box.
- 9.15.1.4 CLEC must have in place Connecting Facility Arrangement (CFA) assignments prior to ordering and assigning specific Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments from **SBC-12STATE**.
- 9.15.1.5 Following CLEC's provisioning, placement, and completion of Connecting Facility Arrangement Assignments ("CFA") data submission to **SBC-12STATE** associated with the intermediary box, CLEC would place orders and schedule activities related to access to the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment including, without limitation: transferring the End User's service from **SBC-12STATE** to CLEC, providing **SBC-12STATE** with CFA prior to ordering and the assigning of a specific Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment(s).
- 9.15.1.6 The ordering procedures for the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment will be the same as those that apply to Lawful UNE Subloop today and shall be submitted to **SBC-12STATE** by CLEC via a Local Service Request ("LSR").

9.15.1.7 **SBC-12STATE** will upon receipt of the LSR from CLEC for a Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment, process the order and place the jumper/cross connect to the CFA provided by the CLEC on the LSR, from the **SBC-12STATE** terminal to the CLEC intermediary box. **SBC-12STATE** must have access to the intermediary box for completion of the order.

9.15.2 In connection with the MTE intermediary box for CLEC access to Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments in **SBC-12STATE** only, CLEC may elect to lease from **SBC-12STATE** Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments which do not include traditional testing and the associated labor, at the recurring and non-recurring rates set forth in Appendix Pricing for the "Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment." In the event CLEC wishes to lease the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment from **SBC-12STATE** in lieu of **SBC-12STATE**'s standard Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop segment addressed in this 9.15.2, CLEC understands and agrees no performance measures and/or remedies shall apply to the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment as a result of the elimination of associated testing and reduction in functionality associated with the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment.

9.16 Establishment of Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment When no Intermediary Box is installed

9.16.1 In those instances where CLEC elects not to install an intermediary box or to have **SBC-12STATE** install an intermediary box pursuant to the SAA process outlined herein above, the CLEC may still lease from **SBC-12STATE** Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments which do not include traditional testing and the associated labor, at the recurring and non-recurring rates set forth in Appendix Pricing for the "Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment". In the event CLEC wishes to lease the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment from **SBC-12STATE** in lieu of **SBC-12STATE**'s standard Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop segment addressed in Section 9.15.2 above, CLEC understands and agrees no performance measures and/or remedies shall apply to the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment as a result of the elimination of associated testing and reduction in functionality associated with the Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segment. In such cases, **SBC-12STATE** will provide CLEC with access to the Term To NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop via a cross connect. The SBC technician will tag appropriately and will leave up to two feet of exposed wire at **SBC-12STATE**'s terminal. The cross connect would then be terminated by the CLEC technician in the CLEC terminal, at a time of CLEC's own choosing. For security and safety, SBC will incase the cross connect in conduit, a protective covered common path, between the SBC terminal and the CLEC's terminal.

9.16.2 If CLEC elects this option to obtain access to the Term To NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop in an MTE Environment, neither the **SBC-12STATE** SAA process nor the intermediary box option would be required. Because the CLEC would have full responsibility for terminating the **SBC-12STATE** cross-connect, **SBC-12STATE** could not require any CFA information from CLEC.

## 10. **ENGINEERING CONTROLLED SPLICE (ECS)**

10.1 Subject to the other terms and conditions of this Appendix, **SBC-12STATE** shall provide to Engineering controlled Splice under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.

10.2 **SBC-12STATE** will also make available an Engineering Controlled Splice (ECS), which will be owned by **SBC-12STATE**, for CLECs to gain access to Lawful UNE Subloops at or near remote terminals.

10.3 The ECS shall be made available for Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangements (SAA) utilizing the Special Construction Arrangement (SCA).

10.3.1 CLEC requesting such a SCA shall pay all of the actual construction, labor, materials and related provisioning costs incurred to fulfill its SCA on a Time and Materials basis, provided that **SBC-12STATE** will construct any Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement requested by a Telecommunications Carrier in a cost-effective and efficient manner. If **SBC-12STATE** elects to incur additional costs for its own operating efficiencies and that are not necessary to satisfy an SCA in a cost-effective and efficient manner, CLEC will not be liable for such extra costs.

- 10.3.2 CLEC shall be liable only for costs associated with cable pairs that it orders to be presented at an engineering controlled splice (regardless of whether the requesting carrier actually utilizes all such pairs), even if **SBC-12STATE** places more pairs at the splice.
- 10.3.3 Intentionally Left Blank
- 10.3.4 If more than one requesting Telecommunications Carrier obtains space in expanded remote terminals or adjacent structures and obtains an SAA with the new copper interface point at the ECS, the initial Telecommunications Carrier which incurred the costs of construction of the engineering controlled splice and/or additional copper/fiber shall be reimbursed those costs in equal proportion to the space or lines used by the requesting carriers.
- 10.3.5 **SBC-12STATE** may require a separate SCA for each remote terminal site.
- 10.3.6 Except as set forth below in this Section 10.3.6, written acceptance and at least 50% of payment for the SCA must be submitted at least ninety (90) days before access to the copper Lawful UNE Subloop is to be provisioned by **SBC-12STATE**. **SBC-12STATE** will not begin any construction of the ECS until the CLEC has provided proof that it has obtained the necessary rights of way as defined in Section 9.12.7. In the event CLEC disputes the estimate for the ECS in accordance with the dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Agreement, **SBC-12STATE** will proceed with construction of the ECS upon receipt from CLEC of notice of the dispute and not less than fifty percent (50%) of the total estimated costs, with the balance payable by CLEC upon completion of the ECS. Such payments may be subject to any "true-up", if applicable, upon resolution of the dispute in accordance with the Dispute Resolution procedures.
- 10.4 CLECs will have two (2) options for implementing the ECS: a "Dedicated Facility Option" (DFO) and a "Cross-connected Facility Option" (CFO).
- 10.4.1 Dedicated Facility Option (DFO)
- 10.4.1.1 CLEC may request **SBC-12STATE** splice the existing cabling between the ECS and the SAI to the CLEC's SAA facility. This facility will be "dedicated" to the CLEC for subsequent Lawful UNE Subloop orders.
- 10.4.1.2 CLEC must designate the quantity of Lawful UNE Subloops they desire to access via this spliced, dedicated facility, specified by subtending SAI.
- 10.4.1.3 CLECs will compensate **SBC-12STATE** for each of the dedicated Lawful UNE Subloop facilities, based on recurring Lawful UNE Subloop charges, for the quantity of Lawful UNE Subloops dedicated to the CLEC between the ECS and the SAI.
- 10.4.2 Cross-connected Facility Option (CFO)
- 10.4.2.1 CLEC may request **SBC-12STATE** build an ECS cross-connect junction on which to terminate CLEC's SAA facility.
- 10.4.2.2 The SCA associated with this option will include the charges associated with constructing the cross-connect device, including the termination of **SBC-12STATE** cabling between the ECS and the RT and/or SAI, and the inventorying of that **SBC-12STATE** cabling.
- 10.4.2.3 CLEC must designate the quantity of Lawful UNE Subloops they desire to access via this cross-connectable, dedicated facility, specified by subtending SAI.
- 10.4.2.4 CLECs will compensate **SBC-12STATE** for the charges incurred by **SBC-12STATE** derived from the CLEC's request for the SCA.
- 10.5 The introduction of an ECS creates the following additional copper Lawful UNE Subloop segments:
- | <u>FROM:</u> | <u>TO:</u>  |
|--------------|---|
| 1. RT        | Serving Area Interface or Feeder Distribution Interface |