

INTERCONNECTION AND/OR RESALE AGREEMENT UNDER
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF
1996

between

Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois

and

Madison River Communications, LLC

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This Interconnection and/or Resale Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Agreement), by and between AT&T Inc. owned ILEC Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, (only to the extent that the agent for such AT&T-owned ILEC executes this Agreement for such AT&T-owned ILEC and only to the extent that such AT&T-owned ILEC provides Telephone Exchange Services as an ILEC the state listed below) and, Madison River Communications, LLC ("CLEC"), (a Delaware corporation), shall apply to the state of Illinois..

WHEREAS, CLEC represents that it is, or intends to become, a provider of Telephone Exchange Service to residential and business End Users offered exclusively over its own Telephone Exchange Service facilities or predominantly over its own Telephone Exchange Service facilities in combination with the use of Lawful unbundled network elements purchased from other entity(ies) and the resale of Telecommunications Services of other carriers.

WHEREAS, the Parties want to Interconnect their networks at mutually agreed upon points of interconnection to provide Telephone Exchange Services and Exchange Access to residential and business End Users over their respective Telephone Exchange Service facilities in the state or states which are subject to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties are entering into this Agreement to set forth the respective obligations of the Parties and the terms and conditions under which the Parties will Interconnect their networks and facilities and provide to each other services as required by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 as specifically set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of this Agreement, CLEC intends to operate where Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, is the incumbent Local Exchange Carrier(s) and CLEC, a competitive Local Exchange Carrier, has or, prior to the provisioning of any Interconnection, access to Lawful unbundled network elements, Telecommunications Services or any other functions, facilities, products or services hereunder, will have been granted authority to provide certain local Telephone Exchange Services in the foregoing ILEC Service areas by the appropriate State Commission(s);

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

This Agreement is composed of General Terms and Conditions, which are set forth below, together with certain Appendices, Attachments, Schedules, Exhibits and Addenda which immediately follow this Agreement, all of which are hereby incorporated in this Agreement by this reference and constitute a part of this Agreement.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

Capitalized Terms used in this Agreement shall have the respective meanings specified below, in Section 1 of each Appendix attached hereto, and/or as defined elsewhere in this Agreement.

1.1 General Definitions

- 1.1.1 “Act” means the Communications Act of 1934 [47 U.S.C. 153], as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Public Law 104-104, 110 Stat. 56 (1996) codified throughout 47 U.S.C.
- 1.1.2 “Access Compensation” is the compensation paid by one Party to the other Party for the origination/termination of intraLATA toll calls to/from its End User. Access compensation is in accordance with the LEC's and/or CLEC's tariffed access rates, as set forth in the applicable appendix “Intercarrier Compensation”.
- 1.1.3 “Access Service Request” (ASR) is an industry standard form used by the Parties to add, establish, change or disconnect trunks and/or facilities used for the purposes of Interconnection.
- 1.1.4 “Accessible Letters” are AT&T Illinois correspondence used to communicate pertinent information regarding AT&T ILLINOIS to the client/End User community. AT&T ILLINOIS provides CLECs information about new telecommunications services offered for resale, OSS (Operational Support System) changes and updates as well as other industry information via Accessible Letters. These letters are available through the CLEC Online Website.
- 1.1.5 “Advanced Services” means intrastate or interstate wireline Telecommunications Services, such as ADSL, IDSL, xDSL, Frame Relay, Cell Relay and VPOP-Dial Access Service (an AT&T ILLINOIS Frame Relay-based service) that rely on packetized technology and have the capability of supporting transmissions speeds of at least 56 kilobits per second in both directions. This definition of Advanced Services does not include:
 - 1.1.5.1 Data services that are not primarily based on packetized technology, such as ISDN,
 - 1.1.5.2 x.25-based and x.75-based packet technologies, or
 - 1.1.5.3 Circuit switched services (such as circuit switched voice grade service) regardless of the technology, protocols or speeds used for the transmission of such services.
- 1.1.6 “Affiliate” is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.7 “Alternate Billing Service” (ABS) or “Alternately Billed Traffic” (ABT) means a service that allows End Users to bill calls to accounts that may not be associated with the originating line. There are three types of ABS calls: calling card, collect and third number billed calls.
- 1.1.8 “Applicable Law” means all laws, statutes, common law, regulations, ordinances, codes, rules, guidelines, orders, permits, tariffs and approvals, including those relating to the environment or health and safety, of any Governmental Authority that apply to the Parties or the subject matter of this Agreement.
- 1.1.9 “As Defined in the Act” means as specifically defined by the Act.
- 1.1.10 “As Described in the Act” means as described in or required by the Act.
- 1.1.11 “Automated Message Accounting” (AMA) is a structure inherent in switch technology that initially records Telecommunication message information. AMA format is contained in the Automated Message Accounting document published by Telcordia (formerly known as Bellcore) as GR-1100-CORE, which defines and amends the industry standard for message recording.

- 1.1.12 “Bona Fide Request” (BFR) is the process described in the applicable Appendix Lawful UNEs.
- 1.1.13 “Business Day” means Monday through Friday, excluding holidays on which the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC does not provision new retail services and products.
- 1.1.14 “Busy Line Verification” (BLV) means a service whereby an End User requests an operator to confirm the busy status of a line.
- 1.1.15 “CABS” means the Carrier Access Billing System.
- 1.1.16 “Calling Name Delivery Service” (CNDS) means a service that enables a terminating End User to identify the calling party by a displayed name before a call is answered. The calling party’s name is retrieved from a Calling Name Database and delivered to the End User’s premise between the first and second ring for display on compatible End User premises equipment.
- 1.1.17 “Central Automatic Message Accounting (CAMA) Trunk” means a trunk that uses Multi-Frequency (MF) signaling to transmit calls from CLEC’s switch to an AT&T ILLINOIS E911 Selective Router.
- 1.1.18 “Centralized Message Distribution System” (CMDS) means the transport system that LECs use to exchange outcollect and Carrier Access Billing System “CABS” access messages among each other and other Parties connected to CMDS.
- 1.1.19 “Central office switch” (Central Office) is a switching entity within the public switched telecommunications network, including but not limited to:
- 1.1.19.1 “End Office Switch” or “End Office” is a switching machine that directly terminates traffic to and receives traffic from purchasers (e.g. End Users) of local exchange services. An End Office Switch does not include a PBX.
- 1.1.19.2 “Tandem Office Switch” or “Tandem(s)” are used to connect and switch trunk circuits between and among other Central Office Switches. A Tandem Switch does not include a PBX.
- 1.1.20 “Charge Number” is a CCS signaling parameter that refers to the number transmitted through the network identifying the billing number of the calling party.
- 1.1.21 “Claim” means any pending or threatened claim, action, proceeding or suit.
- 1.1.22 “Collocation” is an arrangement is an arrangement where a CLEC leases space at an AT&T ILLINOIS premises for the placement of equipment necessary for interconnection or access to AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNEs.
- 1.1.23 “Commercial Mobile Radio Services” (CMRS) means Commercial Mobile Radio Service, As Defined in the Act and FCC rules.
- 1.1.24 “Commission” means the applicable State agency with regulatory authority over Telecommunications. Unless the context otherwise requires, use of the term “Commissions” means all of the thirteen agencies listed in this Section. The following is a list of the appropriate State agencies:
- 1.1.24.4 the Illinois Commerce Commission (IL-CC);
- 1.1.25 “Common Channel Signaling” (CCS) means an out-of-band, packet-switched, signaling network used to transport supervision signals, control signals, and data messages. It is a special network, fully separate from the transmission path of the public switched network. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the CCS protocol used by the Parties shall be SS7.
- 1.1.26 “Common Language Location Identifier” (CLLI) codes provide a unique 11-character representation of a network interconnection point. The first 8 characters identify the city, state and building location, while the last 3 characters identify the network component.

- 1.1.27 “Consequential Damages” means Losses claimed to have resulted from any indirect, incidental, reliance, special, consequential, punitive, exemplary, multiple or any other Loss, including damages claimed to have resulted from harm to business, loss of anticipated revenues, savings, or profits, or other economic Loss claimed to have been suffered not measured by the prevailing Party's actual damages, and regardless of whether the Parties knew or had been advised of the possibility that such damages could result in connection with or arising from anything said, omitted, or done hereunder or related hereto, including willful acts or omissions.
- 1.1.28 “Customer Usage Data” means the Telecommunications Services usage data of a CLEC End User measured in minutes, sub-minute increments, message units, or otherwise, that is recorded by AT&T ILLINOIS and forwarded to CLEC.
- 1.1.29 “Custom Local Area Signaling Service Features” (CLASS) means certain call-management service features that are currently available from AT&T ILLINOIS' local networks. These could include: Automatic Call Back; Automatic Recall; Call Trace; Caller Identification and related blocking features; Calling Number Delivery; Customer Originated Trace; Distinctive Ringing/Call Waiting; Selective Call Forward; and Selective Call Rejection.
- 1.1.30 “Customer Name and Address Information” (CNA) means the name, service address and telephone numbers of a Party's End Users for a particular Exchange Area. CNA includes nonpublished listings, coin telephone information and published listings.
- 1.1.31 “Data Interexchange Carrier” (DIXC) is a process designed to facilitate the reciprocal exchange of voice traffic load data between the AT&T ILLINOIS and CLECs interconnecting with its network. This reciprocal exchange of data enables AT&T ILLINOIS and each CLEC to have a complete view of traffic loads on both ends of two-way trunk groups. The knowledge of call attempt and overflow data counts on both ends of a two-way trunk group enables each company to more accurately estimate the offered, and thereby better estimate, the required quantities of trunks.
- 1.1.32 “Declassified” or “Declassification” means the situation where a network element, including a network element referred to as a Lawful UNE under this Agreement, ceases to be a Lawful UNE under this Agreement because it is no longer required by Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders. Without limitation, a Lawful UNE that has ceased to be a Lawful UNE may also be referred to as “Declassified.”
- 1.1.33 “Delaying Event” means any failure of a Party to perform any of its obligations set forth in this Agreement, caused in whole or in part by:
- 1.1.33.1 the failure of the other Party to perform any of its obligations set forth in this Agreement, including but not limited to a Party's failure to provide the other Party with accurate and complete Service Orders;
 - 1.1.33.2 any delay, act or failure to act by the other Party or its End User, agent or subcontractor; or
 - 1.1.33.3 any Force Majeure Event.
- 1.1.34 “Dialing Parity” is As Defined in the Act. As used in this Agreement, Dialing Parity refers to both Local Dialing Parity and Toll Dialing Parity.
- 1.1.35 “Digital Signal Level” is one of several transmission rates in the time-division multiplex hierarchy.
- 1.1.35.1 “Digital Signal Level 0” (DS-0) is the 64 Kbps zero-level signal in the time-division multiplex hierarchy.
 - 1.1.35.2 “Digital Signal Level 1” (DS-1) is the 1.544 Mbps first-level signal in the time-division multiplex hierarchy.

- 1.1.35.3 “Digital Signal Level 3” (DS-3) is the 44.736 Mbps third-level signal in the time-division multiplex hierarchy.
- 1.1.36 “Digital Subscriber Line” (DSL) is as defined in the applicable Appendix DSL and/or the applicable tariff, as appropriate.
- 1.1.37 “Electronic File Transfer” is any system or process that utilizes an electronic format and protocol to send or receive data files.
- 1.1.38 “End Users” means a third-party residence or business that subscribes to Telecommunications Services provided by any of the Parties at retail. As used herein, the term “End Users” does not include any of the Parties to this Agreement with respect to any item or service obtained under this Agreement.
- 1.1.39 “Enhanced Service Provider” (ESP) is a provider of enhanced services as those services are defined in 47 CFR Section 64.702.
- 1.1.40 “Exchange Access” is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.41 “Exchange Area” means an area, defined by the Commission, for which a distinct local rate schedule is in effect.
- 1.1.42 “Exchange Message Interface” (EMI) (formerly Exchange Message Record - EMR) is the standard used for exchange of Telecommunications message information among Telecommunications Carriers for billable, non-billable, sample, settlement and study data. EMI format is contained in Telcordia Practice BR-010-200-010, CRIS Exchange Message Record.
- 1.1.43 “Exchange Service” means Telephone Exchange Service, As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.44 “Feature Group A” (FGA) means calls either originated by, or delivered to, an End User who has purchased switched access FGA service from the interstate or intrastate tariffs of either Party. FGA also includes, but is not limited to, FGA-like services provided by either Party, where calls are originated from and/or delivered to numbers which are assigned to a Rate Center within one LATA but where the Party receiving the call is physically located in a LATA different than the LATA of the Party originating the call. The intercarrier compensation mechanism as well as additional definitions for FGA are specified in the appropriate Appendix FGA.
- 1.1.45 “Feature Group D” (FGD) is access available to all customers, providing trunk side access to a Party's End Office Switches with an associated uniform 101XXXX access code for customer's use in originating and terminating communications.
- 1.1.46 “FCC” means the Federal Communications Commission.
- 1.1.47 “Fiber Meet” means an Interconnection architecture method whereby the Parties physically Interconnect their networks via an optical fiber interface (as opposed to an electrical interface) at a mutually agreed upon location, at which one Party's responsibility or service begins and the other Party's responsibility ends.
- 1.1.48 “Foreign Exchange” (FX) or “FX-like” service means a retail service offering which allows 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.

- 1.1.49 "Fraud Monitoring System" means an off-line administration system that monitors suspected occurrences of ABT-related fraud.
- 1.1.50 "Governmental Authority" means any federal, state, local, foreign, or international court, government, department, commission, board, bureau, agency, official, or other regulatory, administrative, legislative, or judicial authority with jurisdiction over the subject matter at issue.
- 1.1.51 "Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier" (ILEC) is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.52 "Intellectual Property" means copyrights, patents, trademarks, trade secrets, mask works and all other intellectual property rights.
- 1.1.53 "Integrated Digital Loop Carrier" means a subscriber loop carrier system that is twenty-four (24) local Loop transmission paths combined into a 1.544 Mbps digital signal which integrates within the switch at a DS1 level.
- 1.1.54 "Integrated Services Digital Network" (ISDN) means a switched network service that provides end-to-end digital connectivity for the simultaneous transmission of voice and data. Basic Rate Interface-ISDN (BRI-ISDN) provides for a digital transmission of two 64 Kbps bearer channels and one 16 Kbps data channel (2B+D).
- 1.1.55 "Interconnection" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.56 "Interconnection Activation Date" is the date that the construction of the joint facility Interconnection arrangement has been completed, trunk groups have been established, joint trunk testing is completed and trunks have been mutually accepted by the Parties.
- 1.1.57 "Interexchange Carrier" (IXC) means a carrier that provides, directly or indirectly, interLATA or intraLATA Telephone Toll Services.
- 1.1.58 "InterLATA" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.59 "Intermediate Distribution Frame" (IDF) is a second frame that augments an existing Main Distribution Frame. Lines or outside cables do not terminate on the IDF.
- 1.1.60 "Internet Service Provider" (ISP) is an Enhanced Service Provider that provides Internet Services, and is defined in paragraph 341 of the FCC's First Report and Order in CC Docket No. 97-158.
- 1.1.61 "ISP-Bound Traffic" shall mean telecommunications traffic, in accordance with the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order, In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Compensation Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98, 99-68 (rel. April, 27, 2001) ("FCC ISP Compensation Order"), "ISP-Bound Traffic" shall mean exchanged between CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS in which the originating End User of one Party and the ISP served by the other Party are:
 - a. both physically located in the same ILEC Local Exchange Area as defined by the ILEC's Local (or "General") Exchange Tariff on file with the applicable state commission or regulatory agency; or
 - b. both physically located within neighboring ILEC Local Exchange Areas that are within the same common mandatory local calling area. This includes, but it is not limited to, mandatory Extended Area Service (EAS), mandatory Extended Local Calling Service (ELCS) or other types of mandatory expanded local calling scopes.
- 1.1.62 "IntraLATA Toll Traffic" means the IntraLATA traffic between two locations within one LATA where one of the locations lies outside of the normal local calling area as defined by the applicable Commission.

- 1.1.63 “Jurisdictional Identification Parameter” (JIP) is an existing six (6) digit (NPA-NXX) field in the SS7 message. This field designates the first point of switching.
- 1.1.64 “Lawful,” when used in relation to unbundling, unbundled network elements, network elements and/or UNEs or activities involving UNEs, means required by Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders.
- 1.1.65 “Line Information Data Base” (LIDB) means a transaction-oriented database system that functions as a centralized repository for data storage and retrieval. LIDB is accessible through CCS networks. LIDB contains records associated with End User line numbers and special billing numbers.
- 1.1.66 “Local Access Transport Area” (LATA) is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.67 “Local Exchange Carrier” (LEC) is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.68 “Local Exchange Routing Guide” (LERG) is a Telcordia Reference document used by Telecommunications Carriers to identify NPA-NXX routing and homing information as well as Network element and equipment designations.
- 1.1.69 “Local Interconnection Trunks/Trunk Groups” are used for the termination of Local Exchange Traffic, pursuant to Telcordia Technical Reference GR-317-CORE.
- 1.1.70 “Local Loop Transmission”, “Lawful Unbundled Local Loop”, “Loop” means the transmission path which extends from the Network Interface Device or demarcation point at an End User’s premise to the Main Distribution Frame or other designated frame or panel in the AT&T ILLINOIS Serving Wire Center.
- 1.1.71 “Local Number Portability” (LNP) means the ability of users of Telecommunications Services to retain, at the same location, the presence of a previously existing telephone number(s).
- 1.1.72 “Location Routing Number” (LRN) is a ten (10) digit number that is assigned to the network switching elements (Central Office – Host and Remotes as required) for the routing of calls in the network. The first six (6) digits of the LRN will be one of the assigned NPA NXX of the switching element. The purpose and functionality of the last four (4) digits of the LRN have not yet been defined but are passed across the network to the terminating switch.
- 1.1.73 “Local Service Provider” (LSP) is the LEC that provides retail local Exchange Service to an End User. The LSP may or may not provide any physical network components to support the provision of that End User’s service.
- 1.1.74 “Loss” or “Losses” means any and all losses, costs (including court costs), claims, damages (including fines, penalties, and criminal or civil judgments and settlements), injuries, liabilities and expenses (including attorneys’ fees).
- 1.1.75 “MECAB” refers to the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing document prepared by the Billing Committee of the Ordering and Billing Forum “OBF”, which functions under the auspices of the Carrier Liaison Committee “CLC of the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions “ATIS”. The MECAB document, published by ATIS as ATIS/OBF- MECAB- Issue 6, February 1998, contains the recommended guidelines for the billing of access services provided to an IXC by two or more LECs, or by one LEC in two or more states within a single LATA.
- 1.1.76 “MECOD” refers to the Multiple Exchange Carriers Ordering and Design Guidelines for Access Services - Industry Support Interface, a document developed by the Ordering/Provisioning Committee of the OBF, which functions under the auspices of the CLC of ATIS. The MECOD document, published by ATIS as ATIS/OBF- MECAB- Issue 3, February 1993, establishes methods for processing orders for access service which is to be provided to an IXC by two or more telecommunications providers.

- 1.1.77 “Meet-Point Billing” (MPB) refers to the billing associated with interconnection of facilities between two or more LECs for the routing of traffic to and from an IXC with which one of the LECs does not have a direct connection. In a multi-bill environment, each Party bills the appropriate tariffed rate for its portion of a jointly provided Switched Exchange Access Service.
- 1.1.78 “Multiple Bill/Single Tariff” is a billing method used when Switched Exchange Access Services is jointly provided by the Parties. 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.
- 1.1.79 “Mutual Compensation” as defined in Appendix Reciprocal Compensation.
- 1.1.80 “Network Data Mover” (NDM) is an industry standard protocol for transferring information electrically.
- 1.1.81 “Network Element” is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.82 “North American Numbering Plan” (NANP) A numbering architecture in which every station in the NANP Area is identified by a unique ten-digit address consisting of a three-digit NPA code, a three digit central office code of the form NXX, and a four-digit line number of the form XXXX.
- 1.1.83 “Numbering Plan Area” (NPA) also called area code. An NPA is the 3-digit code that occupies the A, B, C positions in the 10-digit NANP format that applies throughout the NANP Area. NPAs are of the form NXX, where N represents the digits 2-9 and X represents any digit 0-9. In the NANP, NPAs are classified as either geographic or non-geographic. a) Geographic NPAs are NPAs which correspond to discrete geographic areas within the NANP Area. b) Non-geographic NPAs are NPAs that do not correspond to discrete geographic areas, but which are instead assigned for services with attributes, functionalities, or requirements that transcend specific geographic boundaries. The common examples are NPAs in the N00 format, e.g., 800.
- 1.1.84 “Number Portability” is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.85 “NXX” or “Central Office Code” is the three-digit switch entity indicator that is defined by the fourth through sixth digits of a 10-digit telephone number within the NANP. Each NXX Code contains 10,000 station numbers.
- 1.1.86 “Ordering and Billing Forum” (OBF) is a forum comprised of local telephone companies and inter-exchange carriers whose responsibility is to create and document Telecommunication industry guidelines and standards.
- 1.1.87 “Out of Exchange LEC” (OE-LEC) means Madison River Communications operating within AT&T ILLINOIS’ incumbent local exchange area and provides telecommunications services utilizing NPA-NXXs identified to reside in a Third Party Incumbent LEC’s local exchange area.
- 1.1.88 “Out of Exchange Traffic” is defined as local, transit, or intraLATA traffic to or from a non-AT&T ILEC exchange area.
- 1.1.89 “Party” means either CLEC or the AT&T-owned ILEC; use of the term “Party” includes each of the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) that is a party to this Agreement. “Parties” means both CLEC and the AT&T-owned ILEC; use of the term “Parties” includes each of the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) that is a party to this Agreement.
- 1.1.90 “Permanent Number Portability” (PNP) is a long term method of providing LNP using LRN.
- 1.1.91 “Person” means an individual or a partnership, an association, a joint venture, a corporation, a business or a trust or other entity organized under Applicable law, an unincorporated organization or any Governmental Authority.
- 1.1.92 “Physical Collocation” is as defined in Appendix Physical Collocation.
- 1.1.93 “Plain Old Telephone Service” (POTS) means telephone service for the transmission of human speech.

- 1.1.94 “Point of Interconnection” (POI) is a physical location at which the Parties’ networks meet for the purpose of establishing Interconnection. POIs include a number of different technologies and technical interfaces based on the Parties’ mutual agreement.
- 1.1.95 “Port” is the point of interface/access connection to the AT&T ILLINOIS public switched network. This may be a switch line side interface or switch trunk side interface.
- 1.1.96 “Rate Center Area” means the following in each applicable area:
- 1.1.96.1 AT&T ILLINOIS
- 1.1.96.1.1 “Rate Center” means the specific geographic point that has been designated by a given LEC as being associated with a particular NPA-NXX code that has been assigned to the LEC for its provision of Telephone Exchange Service. The Rate Center is the finite geographic point identified by a specific V&H coordinate, which is used by that LEC to measure, for billing purposes, distance sensitive transmission services associated with the specific Rate Center.
- 1.1.97 “Rating Point” means the V&H coordinates associated with a particular telephone number for rating purposes.
- 1.1.98 “Referral Announcement” refers to a process by which calls are routed to an announcement that states the new telephone number of an End User.
- 1.1.99 “Routing Point” is a location which a LEC has designated on its own network as the homing or routing point for traffic inbound to Exchange Service provided by the LEC which bears a certain NPA-NXX designation. The Routing Point is employed to calculate mileage measurements for the distance-sensitive transport element charges of Switched Access services. The Routing Point need not be the same as the Rating Point, nor must it be located within the Rate Center area, but must be in the same LATA as the NPA-NXX.
- 1.1.100 “AT&T Inc.” (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.1.112 “AT&T ILLINOIS” - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.1.113 “Section 251(b)(5) Traffic” shall mean telecommunications traffic in which the originating End User of one Party and the terminating End User of the other Party are:
- both physically located in the same ILEC Local Exchange Area as defined by the ILEC Local (or “General”) Exchange Tariff on file with the applicable state commission or regulatory agency; or
 - both physically located within neighboring ILEC Local Exchange Areas that are within the same common mandatory local calling area. This includes but is not limited to, mandatory Extended Area Service (EAS), mandatory Extended Local Calling Service (ELCS), or other types of mandatory expanded local calling scopes.
- 1.1.114 “Service Provider Number Portability” (SPNP) is synonymous with Permanent Number Portability “PNP”.
- 1.1.115 “Service Switching Point” (SSP) is a telephone central office switch equipped with a Signaling System 7 (SS7) interface.

- 1.1.116 "Signaling System 7" (SS7) means a signaling protocol used by the CCS Network.
- 1.1.117 "Signal Transfer Point" (STP) performs a packet switching function that routes signaling messages among Service Switching Points (SSP), Service Control Points (SCP), Signaling Points (SP), and other STPs in order to set up calls and to query databases for Advanced Services.
- 1.1.118 "State Abbreviation" means the following:
- 1.1.18.1 "IL" means Illinois
- 1.1.119 "Switched Access Detail Usage Data" means a category 1101xx record as defined in the EMI Telecordia Practice BR 010-200-010.
- 1.1.120 "Switched Exchange Access Service" means the offering of transmission or switching services to Telecommunications Carriers for the purpose of the origination or termination of telephone toll service. Switched Exchange Access Services include: Feature Group A, Feature Group B, Feature Group D, 800/888 access, and 900 access and their successors or similar Switched Exchange Access Services.
- 1.1.121 "Synchronous Optical Network" (SONET) is an optical interface standard that allows inter-networking of transmission products from multiple vendors. The base rate is 51.84 Mbps ("OC-1/STS-1") and higher rates are direct multiples of the base rate, up to 13.22 Gbps.
- 1.1.122 "Telecommunications" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.123 "Telecommunications Carrier" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.124 "Telecommunications Service" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.125 "Telephone Exchange Service" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.126 "Telephone Toll Service" is As Defined in the Act.
- 1.1.127 "Third Party" means any Person other than a Party.
- 1.1.128 "Toll Billing Exception Service" (TBE) means a service that allows End Users to restrict third number billing or collect calls to their lines.
- 1.1.129 "Trunk" means a communication line between two switching systems.
- 1.1.130 "Trunk-Side" refers to a Central Office Switch connection that is capable of, and has been programmed to treat the circuit as connecting to another switching entity (for example another Central Office switch). Trunk-Side connections offer those transmission and signaling features appropriate for the connection of switching entities and cannot be used for the direct connection of ordinary telephone station sets.
- 1.1.131 "Lawful Unbundled Network Element" or "Lawful UNE" is as defined in Appendix Lawful UNEs (Lawful Provision of Access to Unbundled Network Elements).
- 1.1.132 "Virtual Collocation" is as defined in Appendix Virtual Collocation.
- 1.1.133 "Wire Center" is the location of one or more local switching systems. A point at which End User's loops within a defined geographic area converge. Such local loops may be served by one (1) or more Central Office Switches within such premises.
- 1.2 Definitions Applicable to AT&T ILLINOIS Only
- 1.2.1 "Main Distribution Frame" (MDF) is termination frame for outside facility and inter-exchange office equipment at the central office for DS-0 and DSL services.
- 1.2.2 "Serving Wire Center" (SWC) means a Wire Center that serves the area in which the other Party's or a third party's Wire Center, aggregation point, point of termination, or point of presence is located.

- 1.2.3 “Universal Digital Loop Carrier” (UDLC) describes a DLC system that has a Central Office terminal channel bank that is connected to the CO switches on the analog side.

2. INTERPRETATION, CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY

2.1 Definitions

- 2.1.1 For purposes of this Agreement, certain terms have been defined in this Agreement to encompass meanings that may differ from, or be in addition to, the normal connotation of the defined word. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, any term defined or used in the singular will include the plural. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words “include,” “includes” and “including” shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase “without limitation” and/or “but not limited to”. The words “will” and “shall” are used interchangeably throughout this Agreement and the use of either connotes a mandatory requirement. The use of one or the other will not mean a different degree of right or obligation for either Party. A defined word intended to convey its special meaning is capitalized when used. Other terms that are capitalized and not defined in this Agreement will have the meaning in the Act, or in the absence of their inclusion in the Act, their customary usage in the Telecommunications industry as of the Effective Date.

2.2 Headings Not Controlling

- 2.2.1 The headings and numbering of Sections, Parts, Appendices Schedules and Exhibits to this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be construed to define or limit any of the terms herein or affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 2.2.2 This Agreement incorporates a number of Appendices which, together with their associated Attachments, Exhibits, Schedules and Addenda, constitute the entire Agreement between the Parties. In order to facilitate use and comprehension of the Agreement, the Appendices have been grouped under broad headings. It is understood that these groupings are for convenience of reference only, and are not intended to limit the applicability that any particular appendix, attachment, exhibit, schedule or addenda may otherwise have.

2.3 Referenced Documents

- 2.3.1 Unless the context shall otherwise specifically require, and subject to Section 23, whenever any provision of this Agreement refers to a technical reference, technical publication, CLEC Practice, AT&T ILLINOIS Practice, any publication of telecommunications industry administrative or technical standards, or any other document specifically incorporated into this Agreement (collectively, a “Referenced Instrument”), it will be deemed to be a reference to the then-current version or edition (including any amendments, supplements, addenda, or successors) of each Referenced Instrument that is in effect, and will include the then-current version or edition (including any amendments, supplements, addenda, or successors) of any other Referenced Instrument incorporated by reference therein.

2.4 References

- 2.4.1 References herein to Sections, Paragraphs, Exhibits, Parts, Schedules, and Appendices shall be deemed to be references to Sections, Paragraphs and Parts of, and Exhibits, Schedules and Appendices to, this Agreement unless the context shall otherwise require.

2.5 Tariff References

- 2.5.1 To the extent a tariff provision or rate is incorporated or otherwise applies between the Parties due to the provisions of this Agreement, it is understood that said tariff provision or rate applies only in the jurisdiction in which such tariff provision or rate is filed, and applies to the CLEC and only the AT&T ILLINOIS ILEC(s) that operates within that jurisdiction. Further, it is understood that any changes to said tariff provision or rate are also automatically incorporated herein or

otherwise hereunder, effective hereunder on the date any such change is effective, and that AT&T will make its best effort to notify CLEC of any of these changes.

2.5.2 Wherever any Commission ordered tariff provision or rate is incorporated, cited or quoted herein, it is understood that said incorporation or reference applies only to the entity within the state whose Commission ordered that tariff.

2.5.3 Any state or federal tariff references made within this Agreement, including all Attachments/Appendices, refer to tariffs filed by AT&T-13STATE, as such tariffs may be modified from time to time.

2.6 Conflict in Provisions

2.6.1 In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Agreement and the Act, the provisions of the Act shall govern.

2.6.2 If any definitions, terms or conditions in any given Appendix, Attachment, Exhibit, Schedule or Addenda differ from those contained in the main body of this Agreement, those definitions, terms or conditions will supersede those contained in the main body of this Agreement, but only in regard to the services or activities listed in that particular Appendix, Attachment, Exhibit, Schedule or Addenda. In particular, if an Appendix contains a Term length that differs from the Term length in the main body of this Agreement, the Term length of that Appendix will control the length of time that services or activities are to occur under that Appendix, but will not affect the Term length of the remainder of this Agreement.

2.7 Joint Work Product

2.7.1 This Agreement is the joint work product of the Parties and has been negotiated by the Parties and their respective counsel and shall be fairly interpreted in accordance with its terms and, in the event of any ambiguities, no inferences shall be drawn against either Party.

2.8 Severability

2.8.1 If any provision of this Agreement is rejected or held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, each Party agrees that such provision shall be enforced to the maximum extent permissible so as to effect the intent of the Parties, and the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. If necessary to effect the intent of the Parties, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to amend this Agreement to replace the unenforceable language with enforceable language that reflects such intent as closely as possible. The Parties negotiated the terms and conditions of this Agreement for Interconnection, services and Lawful Unbundled Network Elements as a total arrangement and it is intended to be nonseverable.

2.9 Incorporation by Reference

2.9.1 All of the rates, terms and conditions ("Provisions") set forth in this Agreement (including any and all attachments, appendices and/or schedules hereto) and every interconnection, service and network element provided hereunder, are subject to all other Provisions contained in this Agreement (including any and all attachments, appendices and/or schedules hereto), and all such Provisions are integrally related.

2.10 Non-Voluntary Provisions

2.10.1 This Agreement incorporates certain rates, terms and conditions that were not voluntarily negotiated by AT&T ILLINOIS, but instead resulted from determinations made in arbitrations under Section 252 of the Act or from other requirements of regulatory agencies or state law (individually and collectively, a "Non-Voluntary Arrangement"). AT&T ILLINOIS has identified some, but not all, of the Non-Voluntary Arrangements contained in this Agreement, by designating such provisions with asterisks. If any Non-Voluntary Arrangement is modified as a result of any order or finding by the FCC, the appropriate Commission or a court of competent

jurisdiction, any Party may, by providing written notice to the other Party, require that any affected Non-Voluntary Arrangement (and any related rates, terms and conditions) be deleted or renegotiated, as applicable, in good faith and this Agreement amended accordingly. If such modifications to this Agreement are not executed within sixty (60) calendar days after the date of such notice, a Party may pursue its rights under Section 12.

2.10.2 The Parties acknowledge that the Non-Voluntary Arrangements contained in this Agreement shall not be available in any state other than the state that originally imposed/required such Non-Voluntary Arrangement. By way of example only, the Parties acknowledge that the PUC-OH's imposition in Ohio of the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (and all terms and conditions relating thereto) shall not apply in or be "portable to" any state other than Ohio.

2.11 State-Specific Rates, Terms and Conditions

2.11.1 For ease of administration, this multistate Agreement contains certain specified rates, terms and conditions which apply only in a designated state ("state-specific terms"). To the extent that this Agreement contains specified rates, terms and conditions which apply only in a given state, such rates, terms and conditions shall not apply and shall have no effect in any other state(s) to which this Agreement is submitted for approval under Section 252(e) of the Act.

2.11.2 State-specific terms, as the phrase is described in Section 2.11.1 above, have been negotiated (or in the case of 2.10.2 above, included in the agreement per state requirement) by the Parties only as to the states where this Agreement has been executed, filed and approved. When the Parties negotiate an agreement for an additional state, neither Party shall be precluded by any language in this Agreement from negotiating state-specific terms for the state in which are to apply.

2.11.3 **Successor Rates.** Certain of the rates, prices and charges set forth in the applicable Appendix Pricing have been established by the appropriate Commissions in cost proceedings or dockets initiated under or pursuant to the Act. If during the Term that Commission or the FCC changes a rate, price or charge in an order or docket that applies to any of the Interconnection, Resale Services, Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services available hereunder, the Parties agree to amend this Agreement to incorporate such new rates, prices and charges, with such rates, prices and charges to be effective as of the date specified in such order or docket (including giving effect to any retroactive application, if so ordered). If either Party refuses to execute an amendment to this Agreement within sixty (60) calendar days after the date of such order or docket, the other Party may pursue its rights under Section 10.

2.12 Scope of Obligations

2.12.1 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein except for the Out of Exchange Appendix, AT&T ILLINOIS' obligations under this Agreement shall apply only to:

2.12.1.1 the specific operating area(s) or portion thereof in which AT&T ILLINOIS is then deemed to be the ILEC under the Act (the "ILEC Territory"), and only to the extent that the CLEC is operating and offering service to End Users identified to be residing in such ILEC Territory; and

2.12.1.2 assets that AT&T ILLINOIS owns or leases and which are used in connection with AT&T ILLINOIS' provision to CLEC of any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services provided or contemplated under this Agreement, the Act or any tariff or ancillary agreement referenced herein (individually and collectively, the "ILEC Assets").

2.12.1.3 The underlying Interconnection Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to provide CLEC with access to Lawful unbundled network elements under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, Collocation under Section 251(c)(6) of the Act, Interconnection under Section 251(c)(2) of the Act and/or Resale under Section 251(c)(4) of the Act in AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas

for the provision of CLEC's Telecommunications Services. The Parties acknowledge and agree that AT&T ILLINOIS is only obligated to make available Lawful UNEs and access to Lawful UNEs under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, Collocation under Section 251(c)(6) of the Act, Interconnection under Section 251(c)(2) of the Act and/or Resale under Section 251(c)(4) of the Act to CLEC in AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas. AT&T ILLINOIS has no obligation to provide such Lawful UNEs, Collocation, Interconnection and/or Resale, to CLEC for the purposes of CLEC providing and/or extending service outside of AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas. In addition, AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provision Lawful UNEs or to provide access to Lawful UNEs under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, Collocation under Section 251(c)(6) of the Act, Interconnection under Section 251(c)(2) of the Act and/or Resale under Section 251(c)(4) of the Act and is not otherwise bound by any 251(c) obligations in geographic areas other than AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas. Therefore, the Parties understand and agree that the rates, terms and conditions set forth in AT&T ILLINOIS' current Interconnection Agreement, and any associated provisions set forth elsewhere in CLEC's current Interconnection Agreement (including but not limited to the rates set forth in this Agreement associated with Lawful UNEs under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, Collocation under Section 251(c)(6) of the Act, Interconnection under Section 251(c)(2) of the Act and/or Resale under Section 251(c)(4) of the Act), shall only apply to the Parties and be available to CLEC for provisioning telecommunication services within an AT&T ILLINOIS incumbent local exchange area(s) in the State in which CLEC's current Interconnection Agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS has been approved by the relevant state Commission and is in effect.

2.12.1.4 Throughout this Agreement, wherever there are references to unbundled network elements that are to be provided by AT&T ILLINOIS under this Agreement, the Parties agree and acknowledge that their intent is for the Agreement to comply with Section 2.12.1.3, above, and require only the provision of Lawful UNEs, regardless of whether the term "Lawful" is used as part of the reference to unbundled network elements.

2.13 Affiliates

2.13.1 These General Terms and Conditions and all attachments and Appendices hereto (this Agreement), including subsequent amendments, if any, shall bind AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC and any entity that currently or subsequently is owned or controlled by or under common ownership or control with CLEC. CLEC further agrees that the same or substantially the same terms and conditions shall be incorporated into any separate agreement between AT&T ILLINOIS and any such CLEC Affiliate that continues to operate as a separate entity. This Agreement shall remain effective as to CLEC and any such CLEC Affiliate for the term of this Agreement as stated herein until either AT&T ILLINOIS or CLEC or any such CLEC Affiliate institutes renegotiation consistent with the provisions of this Agreement for renewal and term. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the existing Agreement will not supercede a currently effective interconnection agreement between any such CLEC Affiliate and AT&T ILLINOIS until the expiration of such other agreement.

2.14 This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to provide CLEC with access to Lawful UNEs, Collocation and Resale in AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas for the provision of CLEC's Telecommunications Services ((Act, Section 251(c)). The Parties acknowledge and agree that AT&T ILLINOIS is only obligated to make available Lawful UNEs, Collocation and Resale to CLEC in AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas. AT&T ILLINOIS has no obligation to provide Lawful UNEs, Collocation and Resale to CLEC for the purposes of CLEC providing and/or extending service outside of AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas. In addition, AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provision Lawful UNEs, Collocation and Resale or provide any other rights under Section 251 (c) of the Act outside of AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange

areas. Therefore, the Parties understand and agree that the rates, terms and conditions set forth in this Interconnection Agreement, and any associated provisions set in the Attachments, Appendices, Schedules and/or Exhibits in the CLEC's current Interconnection Agreement (including but not limited to the associated Lawful UNE, Collocation and Resale rates set forth in this Agreement), shall only apply and be available to CLEC for provisioning services within an AT&T ILLINOIS incumbent local exchange area(s) in the State in which the CLEC's Interconnection Agreement has been approved by the Commission and is in effect.

3. NOTICE OF CHANGES -- SECTION 251(c)(5)

- 3.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall limit either Party's ability to upgrade its network through the incorporation of new equipment, new software or otherwise or to otherwise change and/or modify its network including, without limitation, through the retirement and/or replacement of equipment, software or otherwise. Each Party agrees to comply with the Network Disclosure rules adopted by the FCC in CC Docket No. 96-98, Second Report and Order, codified at 47 C.F.R. 51.325 through 51.335, as such rules may be amended from time to time (the "Network Disclosure Rules"). AT&T ILLINOIS will not discontinue any Lawful UNE, Interconnection arrangement, function, facility, product or service (excluding Resale Services), that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to provide to CLEC under this Agreement unless and until: (i) AT&T ILLINOIS provides requisite notice of the planned network change and/or modification in accordance with the Network Disclosure Rules (when applicable) and no objection is made to AT&T ILLINOIS' proposed network modification(s) and/or change(s) or any objection(s) is denied or deemed denied under such Rules; or (ii) if and when applicable, following AT&T ILLINOIS' exercise of its rights under applicable law and/or this Agreement including, without limitation, the intervening law/change in law provisions in this Agreement; or (iii) to the extent otherwise permitted in this Agreement.

4. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 4.1 Upon approval by the Commission, CLEC agrees to begin providing Telephone Exchange Service within its certificated service area to business End Users within ____ calendar days and to residential End Users within ____ calendar days.
- 4.2 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall each use their best efforts to meet the Interconnection Activation Dates.
- 4.3 Each Party is individually responsible to provide facilities within its network that are necessary for routing, transporting, measuring, and billing traffic from the other Party's network and for delivering such traffic to the other Party's network in the standard format compatible with AT&T ILLINOIS' network as referenced in Telcordia BOC Notes on LEC Networks Practice No. SR-TSV-002275, and to terminate the traffic it receives in that standard format to the proper address on its network. The Parties are each solely responsible for participation in and compliance with national network plans, including the National Network Security Plan and the Emergency Preparedness Plan.
- 4.4 The Parties shall exchange technical descriptions and forecasts of their Interconnection and traffic requirements in sufficient detail necessary to establish the Interconnections required to assure traffic completion to and from all End Users in their respective designated service areas.
- 4.5 Each Party is solely responsible for all products and services it provides to its End Users and to other Telecommunications Carriers.

5. INSURANCE

- 5.1 At all times during the term of this Agreement, each Party shall keep and maintain in force at its own expense the following minimum insurance coverage and limits and any additional insurance and/or bonds required by Applicable Law:

- 5.1.1 Workers' Compensation insurance with benefits afforded under the laws of each state covered by this Agreement and Employers Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury-each accident, \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury by disease-policy limits and \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury by disease-each employee.
- 5.1.2 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. Fire Legal Liability sub-limits of \$2,000,000 are also required if this Agreement involves collocation. AT&T, its affiliates, officers, agents and employees, shall be listed as additional insured on the CLEC's Commercial General Liability policy. A waiver of subrogation shall be in favor of AT&T. The liability policies shall be primary and non-contributory from any insurance that is maintained by AT&T.
- 5.1.3 If use of an automobile is required, Automobile Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limits per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, which coverage shall extend to all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles.
- 5.1.4 Each Party shall require subcontractors providing services under this Agreement to maintain in force the insurance coverage and limits required in this Section.
- 5.1.5 The Parties agree that companies affording the insurance coverage required under Section 4.7 shall have a rating of A or better and a Financial Size Category rating of VIII or better, as rated in the A.M. Best Key Rating Guide for Property and Casualty Insurance Companies. Upon request from the other Party, each Party shall provide to the other Party evidence of such insurance coverage.
- 5.1.6 Each Party agrees to provide the other Party 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.
- 5.1.7 Each Party agrees to accept the other Party's program of self-insurance in lieu of insurance coverage if certain requirements are met. These requirements are as follows:
 - 5.1.7.1 The Party desiring to satisfy its Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability obligations through self-insurance shall submit to the other Party a copy of its Certificate of Authority to Self-Insure its Workers' Compensation obligations issued by each state covered by this Agreement or the employer's state of hire; and
 - 5.1.7.2 The Party desiring to satisfy its automobile liability obligations through self-insurance shall submit to the other Party a copy of the state-issued letter approving self-insurance for automobile liability issued by each state covered by this Agreement; and
 - 5.1.7.3 The Party desiring to satisfy its general liability obligations through self-insurance must provide evidence acceptable to the other Party 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.
- 5.1.8 This Section 5 is a general statement of insurance requirements and shall be in addition to any specific requirement of insurance referenced elsewhere in this Agreement or a Referenced Instrument.
- 5.2 Simultaneously with CLEC's execution of this Agreement, CLEC shall insert the appropriate it's state-specific authorized and nationally recognized OCN/AECNs for facilities-based (Interconnection and/or Lawful Unbundled Network Elements) and a separate and distinct OCN/AECN for Resale Services on the signature page of this Agreement and provide AT&T ILLINOIS with a copy.

6. ASSIGNMENT

6.1 Assignment of Contract

6.1.1 CLEC may not assign or transfer this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder, whether by operation of law or otherwise, to a non-affiliated third party without the prior written consent of AT&T ILLINOIS, which shall not unreasonably be withheld. Any attempted assignment or transfer that is not permitted is void *ab initio*.

6.1.2 CLEC may assign or transfer this Agreement and all rights and obligations hereunder, whether by operation of law or otherwise, to its Affiliate by providing sixty (60) calendar days' advance written notice of such assignment or transfer to AT&T ILLINOIS; provided that such assignment or transfer is not inconsistent with Applicable Law (including the Affiliate's obligation to obtain and maintain proper Commission certification and approvals) or the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CLEC may not assign or transfer this Agreement, or any rights or obligations hereunder, to its Affiliate if that Affiliate is a party to a separate agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS under Sections 251 and 252 of the Act. Any attempted assignment or transfer that is not permitted is void *ab initio*.

6.2 Corporate Name Change and/or change in "d/b/a" only

6.2.1 Any assignment or transfer of an Agreement wherein only the CLEC name is changing, and which does not include a change to a CLEC OCN/ACNA, constitutes a CLEC Name Change. For a CLEC Name Change, CLEC will incur a record order charge for each CLEC CABS BAN. For resale or any other products not billed in CABS, to the extent a record order is available, a record order charge will apply per end user record. Rates for record orders are contained in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices. CLEC shall also submit a new Operator Service Questionnaire (OSQ) to update any OS/DA Rate Reference information and Branding pursuant to the rates terms and conditions of Appendices Resale and UNE, as applicable, at the rates specified in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices to this Agreement.

6.3 Company Code Change

6.3.1 Any assignment or transfer of an Agreement associated with the transfer or acquisition of "assets" provisioned under that Agreement, where the OCN/ACNA formerly assigned to such "assets" is changing constitutes a CLEC Company Code Change. For the purposes of this Section, "assets" means any Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service provided under that Agreement. CLEC shall provide AT&T ILLINOIS with ninety (90) calendar days advance written notice of any assignment associated with a CLEC Company Code Change and obtain AT&T ILLINOIS' consent. AT&T ILLINOIS shall not unreasonably withhold consent to a CLEC Company Code Change; provided, however, AT&T ILLINOIS' consent to any CLEC Company Code Change is contingent upon payment of any outstanding charges associated with the "assets" subject to the CLEC Company Code Change. In addition, CLEC acknowledges that CLEC may be required to tender additional assurance of payment if requested under the terms of this Agreement.

6.3.2 For any CLEC Company Code Change, CLEC must submit a service order changing the OCN/ACNA for each end user record and/or a service order for each circuit ID number, as applicable. CLEC shall pay the appropriate charges for each service order submitted to accomplish a CLEC Company Code Change; such charges are contained in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices. In addition, CLEC shall submit a new OSQ to update any OS/DA Rate Reference information and Branding pursuant to the rates terms and conditions of Appendices Resale and Lawful UNE, as applicable, at the rates specified in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices to this Agreement. In addition, CLEC shall pay any and all charges required for re-stenciling, re-engineering, changing locks and any other work necessary with respect to Collocation, as determined on an individual case basis.

- 6.4 Assignment of any Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service.
- 6.4.1 Any assignment or transfer of any Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service provisioned pursuant to this Agreement without the transfer or the assignment of this Agreement shall be deemed a CLEC to CLEC Mass Migration. The CLEC that is a Party to this Agreement shall provide AT&T ILLINOIS with ninety (90) calendar days advance written notice of any CLEC to CLEC Mass Migration. CLEC's written notice shall include the anticipated effective date of the assignment or transfer. The acquiring CLEC must make payment of any outstanding charges associated with any Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service to be transferred. In addition, the acquiring CLEC may be required to tender additional assurance of payment if requested under the terms of the acquiring CLEC's agreement.
- 6.4.2 Both CLECs involved in any CLEC to CLEC Mass Migration shall comply with all Applicable Law relating thereto, including but not limited to all FCC and state Commission rules relating to notice(s) to end users. The acquiring CLEC shall be responsible for issuing all service orders required to migrate any Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service provided hereunder. The appropriate service order charge or administration fee (for interconnection) will apply as specified in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices to the acquiring CLEC's agreement. The acquiring CLEC shall also submit a new OSQ to update any OS/DA Rate Reference information and Branding pursuant to the rates terms and conditions of Appendices Resale and Lawful UNE, as applicable, at the rates specified in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices to the acquiring CLEC's agreement. In addition, the acquiring CLEC shall pay any and all charges required for re-stenciling, re-engineering, changing locks and any other work necessary with respect to Collocation, as determined on an individual case basis.
- 6.5 Project Coordination
- 6.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide project management support to effectuate changes of the types identified in Sections 6.2 through 6.4, inclusive.
- 6.5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide project management support to minimize any possible service outages during any CLEC to CLEC Mass Migration. Should AT&T ILLINOIS' most current version of LSOR or ASOR guidelines not support the required order activity, AT&T ILLINOIS will issue service orders at the manual rate, as specified in the Appendix Pricing, Schedule of Prices to this Agreement, based upon type of service provided, and on the condition that CLEC provides to AT&T ILLINOIS any and all information AT&T ILLINOIS reasonably requests to effectuate such changes.
- 6.6 When an End User changes its service provider from AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC or from CLEC to AT&T ILLINOIS and does not retain its original telephone number, the Party formerly providing service to such End User shall furnish a referral announcement ("Referral Announcement") on the original telephone number that specifies the End User's new telephone number.
- 6.6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS,
- Referral Announcements shall be provided by a Party to the other Party for the period of time and at the rates set forth in the referring Party's tariff(s); provided, however, if either Party provides Referral Announcements for a period different (either shorter or longer) than the period(s) stated in its tariff(s) when its End Users change their telephone numbers, such Party shall provide the same level of service to End Users of the other Party.

- 6.7 Each Party shall be responsible for labor relations with its own employees. Each Party agrees to notify the other Party as soon as practicable whenever such Party has knowledge that a labor dispute concerning its employees is delaying or threatens to delay such Party's timely performance of its obligations under this Agreement and shall endeavor to minimize impairment of service to the other Party (for example, by using its management personnel to perform work or by other means) in the event of a labor dispute to the extent permitted by Applicable Law.
- 6.8 Each Party shall act in good faith in its performance under this Agreement and, in each case in which a Party's consent or agreement is required or requested hereunder, such Party shall not unreasonably withhold or delay such consent or agreement.
- 6.9 This Agreement contains comprehensive OSS terms and conditions; however, CLEC represents and covenants that it will only use OSS furnished pursuant to this Agreement for activities related to Lawful UNEs, resold services or other services covered by this Agreement, for which this Agreement contains explicit terms, conditions and rates.
- 6.10 The Parties acknowledge and agree that they do not intend to include products and services in this Agreement that do not have corresponding rates and charges. Accordingly, if this Agreement is executed and/or approved by the Commission and the Parties later discover that a product or service is included in this Agreement without an associated rate or charge, the Parties agree that they will agree upon a rate or charge to include in this Agreement before the product or service is provided or performed. If the Parties cannot agree, either Party may pursue dispute resolution under the applicable provisions of this Agreement.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE, TERM AND TERMINATION

- 7.1 The Effective Date of this Agreement shall be ten (10) calendar days after the Commission approves this Agreement under Section 252(e) of the Act or, absent such Commission approval, the date this Agreement is deemed approved under Section 252(e)(4) of the Act.
- 7.2 The term of this Agreement shall commence upon the Effective Date of this Agreement and shall expire on September 20, 2007, provided; however, should CLEC implement (i.e. provided assurance of payment, ordered facilities, and submitted ASRs for trunking) this Agreement within six (6) months of the Effective Date, then this Agreement will automatically renew for one additional year and expire on September 20, 2008 (the "Term"). Absent the receipt by one Party of written notice from the other Party within 180 calendar days prior to the expiration of the Term to the effect that such Party does not intend to extend the Term, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect on and after the expiration of the Term until terminated by either Party pursuant to Section 7.3 or 7.4.
- 7.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, either Party may terminate this Agreement and the provision of any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services provided pursuant to this Agreement, at the sole discretion of the terminating Party, in the event that the other Party fails to perform a material obligation or breaches a material term of this Agreement and the other Party fails to cure such nonperformance or breach within forty-five (45) calendar days after written notice thereof. Any termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 5.3 shall take effect immediately upon delivery of written notice to the other Party that it failed to cure such nonperformance or breach within forty-five (45) calendar days after written notice thereof.
- 7.4 If pursuant to Section 7.2, this Agreement continues in full force and effect after the expiration of the Term, either Party may terminate this Agreement after delivering written notice to the other Party of its intention to terminate this Agreement, subject to Sections 7.5 and 7.6. Neither Party shall have any liability to the other Party for termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 5.4 other than its obligations under Sections 7.5 and 7.6.
- 7.5 Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement in accordance with Sections 7.2, 7.3 or 7.4:
 - 7.5.1 Each Party shall continue to comply with its obligations set forth in Section 42; and

- 7.5.2 Each Party shall promptly pay all amounts owed under this Agreement or place any Disputed Amounts into an escrow account that complies with Section 8.4 hereof;
- 7.5.3 Each Party's confidentiality obligations shall survive; and
- 7.5.4 Each Party's indemnification obligations shall survive.
- 7.6 If either Party serves notice of expiration pursuant to Section 7.2 or Section 7.4, CLEC shall have ten (10) calendar days to provide AT&T ILLINOIS written confirmation if CLEC wishes to pursue a successor agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS or terminate its agreement. CLEC shall identify the action to be taken on each applicable (13) state(s). If CLEC wishes to pursue a successor agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC shall attach to its written confirmation or notice of expiration/termination, as applicable, a written request to commence negotiations with AT&T ILLINOIS under Sections 251/252 of the Act and identify each of the state(s) the successor agreement will cover. Upon receipt of CLEC's Section 252(a)(1) request, the Parties shall commence good faith negotiations on a successor agreement.
- 7.7 If written notice is not issued pursuant to Section 7.2, the rates, terms and conditions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (i) the effective date of its successor agreement, whether such successor agreement is established via negotiation, arbitration or pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act; or (ii) the date that is ten (10) months after the date on which AT&T ILLINOIS received CLEC's Section 252(a)(1) request.
- 7.8 If at any time during the Section 252(a)(1) negotiation process (prior to or after the expiration date or termination date of this Agreement), CLEC withdraws its Section 252(a)(1) request, CLEC must include in its notice of withdrawal a request to adopt a successor agreement under Section 252(i) of the Act or affirmatively state that CLEC does not wish to pursue a successor agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS for a given state. The rates, terms and conditions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the later of: 1) the expiration of the term of this Agreement, or 2) the expiration of ninety (90) calendar days after the date CLEC provides notice of withdrawal of its Section 252(a)(1) request. If the Term of this Agreement has expired, on the earlier of (i) the ninety-first (91st) calendar day following AT&T ILLINOIS' receipt of CLEC's notice of withdrawal of its Section 252(a)(1) request or (ii) the effective date of the agreement following approval by the Commission of the adoption of an agreement under 252(i), the Parties shall, have no further obligations under this Agreement except those set forth in Section 7.5 of this Agreement.
- 7.9 If CLEC does not affirmatively state that it wishes to pursue a successor agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS in its, as applicable, notice of expiration or termination or the written confirmation required after receipt of the AT&T-owned ILEC's notice of expiration or termination, then the rates, terms and conditions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the later of 1) the expiration of the Term of this Agreement, or 2) the expiration of ninety (90) calendar days after the date CLEC provided or received notice of expiration or termination. If the Term of this Agreement has expired, on the ninety-first (91st) day following CLEC provided or received notice of expiration or termination, the Parties shall have no further obligations under this Agreement except those set forth in Section 5.5 of this Agreement.
- 7.10 In the event of termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 7, AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall cooperate in good faith to effect an orderly transition of service under this Agreement; provided that CLEC shall be solely responsible (from a financial, operational and administrative standpoint) to ensure that its End Users have been transitioned to a new LEC by the expiration date or termination date of this Agreement.
8. END USER FRAUD
- 8.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be liable to CLEC for any fraud associated with CLEC's End User's account, including 1+ IntraLATA toll, ported numbers, and Alternate Billing Traffic (ABT). ABT is a

service that allows End Users to bill calls to account(s) that might not be associated with the originating line. There are three types of ABT calls: calling card, collect, and third number billed calls.

- 8.2 The Parties agree to cooperate with one another to investigate, minimize, and take corrective action in cases of fraud involving 1+ IntraLATA toll calls, ABT, and ported numbers. The Parties' fraud minimization procedures are to be cost-effective and implemented so as not to unduly burden or harm one Party as compared to the other.
- 8.3 In cases of suspected fraudulent activity by an End User, at a minimum, the cooperation referenced in Section 8.2 will include providing to the other Party, upon request, information concerning Customers who terminate services to that Party without paying all outstanding charges. The Party seeking such information is responsible for securing the End User's permission to obtain such information.
- 8.4 AT&TILLINOIS will provide notification messages to CLEC on suspected occurrences of ABT-related fraud on CLEC accounts stored in the applicable LIDB via fax.
- 8.4.1 CLEC understands that Fraud Monitoring System alerts only identify potential occurrences of fraud. CLEC understands and agrees that it will need to perform its own investigations to determine whether a fraud situation actually exists. CLEC understands and agrees that it will also need to determine what, if any, action CLEC should take as a result of a Fraud Monitoring System alert.
- 8.4.2 The Parties will provide contact names and numbers to each other for the exchange of Fraud Monitoring System alert notification.

9. ASSURANCE OF PAYMENT

- 9.1 Upon request by AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC will provide AT&T ILLINOIS with adequate assurance of payment of amounts due (or to become due) to AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 9.2 Assurance of payment may be requested by AT&T ILLINOIS if:
- 9.2.1 at the Effective Date CLEC had not already established satisfactory credit by having made at least twelve (12) consecutive months of timely payments to AT&T ILLINOIS for charges incurred as a CLEC; or
- 9.2.2 in AT&T ILLINOIS' reasonable judgment, at the Effective Date or at any time thereafter, there has been an impairment of the established credit, financial health, or credit worthiness of CLEC. Such impairment will be determined from information available from financial sources, including but not limited to Moody's, Standard and Poor's, and the Wall Street Journal. Financial information about CLEC that may be considered includes, but is not limited to, investor warning briefs, rating downgrades, and articles discussing pending credit problems; or
- 9.2.3 CLEC fails to timely pay a bill rendered to CLEC by AT&T ILLINOIS (except such portion of a bill that is subject to a good faith, bona fide dispute and as to which CLEC has complied with all requirements set forth in Section 11.3); or
- 9.2.4 CLEC admits its inability to pay its debts as such debts become due, has commenced a voluntary case (or has had an involuntary case commenced against it) under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or any other law relating to insolvency, reorganization, winding-up, composition or adjustment of debts or the like, has made an assignment for the benefit of creditors or is subject to a receivership or similar proceeding.
- 9.3 Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the assurance of payment will consist of
- 9.3.1 a cash security deposit in U.S. dollars held by AT&T ILLINOIS ("Cash Deposit") or
- 9.3.2 an unconditional, irrevocable standby bank letter of credit from a financial institution acceptable to AT&T ILLINOIS naming the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) designated by AT&T ILLINOIS as the beneficiary(ies) thereof and otherwise in form and substance satisfactory to AT&T ILLINOIS ("Letter of Credit").

- 9.3.3 The Cash Deposit or Letter of Credit must be in an amount equal to three (3) months anticipated charges (including, but not limited to, recurring, non-recurring and usage sensitive charges, termination charges and advance payments), as reasonably determined by AT&T ILLINOIS, for the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation or any other functions, facilities, products or services to be furnished by AT&T ILLINOIS under this Agreement.
- 9.4 To the extent that AT&T ILLINOIS elects to require a Cash Deposit, the Parties intend that the provision of such Cash Deposit shall constitute the grant of a security interest in the Cash Deposit pursuant to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in any relevant jurisdiction.
- 9.5 A Cash Deposit will accrue interest, however, AT&T ILLINOIS will not pay interest on a Letter of Credit.
- 9.6 AT&T ILLINOIS may, but is not obligated to, draw on the Letter of Credit or the Cash Deposit, as applicable, upon the occurrence of any one of the following events:
- 9.6.1 CLEC owes AT&T ILLINOIS undisputed charges under this Agreement that are more than thirty (30) calendar days past due; or
- 9.6.2 CLEC admits its inability to pay its debts as such debts become due, has commenced a voluntary case (or has had an involuntary case commenced against it) under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or any other law relating to insolvency, reorganization, winding-up, composition or adjustment of debts or the like, has made an assignment for the benefit of creditors or is subject to a receivership or similar proceeding; or
- 9.6.3 The expiration or termination of this Agreement.
- 9.7 If AT&T ILLINOIS draws on the Letter of Credit or Cash Deposit, upon request by AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC will provide a replacement or supplemental letter of credit or cash deposit conforming to the requirements of Section 7.3.
- 9.8 Notwithstanding anything else set forth in this Agreement, if AT&T ILLINOIS makes a request for assurance of payment in accordance with the terms of this Section, then AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no obligation thereafter to perform under this Agreement until such time as CLEC has furnished AT&T ILLINOIS with the assurance of payment requested; provided, however, that AT&T ILLINOIS will permit CLEC a minimum of ten (10) Business Days to respond to a request for assurance of payment before invoking this Section.
- 9.8.1 If CLEC fails to furnish the requested adequate assurance of payment on or before the date set forth in the request, AT&T ILLINOIS may also invoke the provisions set forth in Section 11.5 through Section 11.6.
- 9.9 A cash deposit held by AT&T ILLINOIS shall be returned to CLEC at the expiration of twelve months from the date the CLEC receives its first bill under this Agreement after paying the cash deposit, so long as CLEC made satisfactory payment of all charges billed under this Agreement during that twelve month period. For purposes of the preceding sentence, "satisfactory payment" shall mean that payment was made after the date the bill is due no more than one time during the twelve month period and that no payment was made by a check that was subsequently dishonored. If the CLEC does not meet these refund criteria, the deposit may be retained for an additional six months, at the end of which another review will be made to determine whether CLEC has made satisfactory payment (as defined in the preceding sentence) of all charges within the twelve months immediately preceding that review.
- 9.10 The fact that a Cash Deposit or Letter of Credit is requested by AT&T ILLINOIS shall in no way relieve CLEC from timely compliance with all payment obligations under this Agreement (including, but not limited to, recurring, non-recurring and usage sensitive charges, termination charges and advance payments), nor does it constitute a waiver or modification of the terms of this Agreement pertaining to disconnection or re-entry for non-payment of any amounts required to be paid hereunder.

10. BILLING AND PAYMENT OF CHARGES

- 10.1 Unless otherwise stated, each Party will render monthly bill(s) to the other for Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products and services provided hereunder at the rates set forth in the applicable Appendix Pricing, as set forth in applicable tariffs or other documents specifically referenced herein and, as applicable, as agreed upon by the Parties or authorized by a Party.
- 10.1.1 Remittance in full of all bills rendered by AT&T is due within thirty (30) calendar days of each bill date (the "Bill Due Date").
- 10.1.2 If CLEC fails to remit payment for any charges by the Bill Due Date, or if payment for any portion of the charges is received from CLEC after the Bill Due Date, or if payment for any portion of the charges is received in funds which are not immediately available to AT&T ILLINOIS as of the Bill Due Date (individually and collectively, "Past Due"), then a late payment charge will be assessed as provided in Section 10.1.2.1, as applicable.
- 10.1.2.1 If any charge incurred under this Agreement that is billed out of any AT&T ILLINOIS billing system is Past Due, the unpaid amounts will accrue interest from the Bill Due Date at the lesser of (i) one and one-half percent (1 ½%) per month and (ii) the highest rate of interest that may be charged under Applicable Law, compounded daily from the day following the Bill Due Date to and including the date that the payment is actually made and available.
- 10.2 CLEC shall make all payments to AT&T ILLINOIS via electronic funds credit transfers through the Automated Clearing House Association (ACH) network to the financial institution designated by AT&T ILLINOIS. Remittance information will be communicated together with the funds transfer via the ACH network. CLEC must use the CCD+ or the CTX transaction set. CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will abide by the National Automated Clearing House Association (NACHA) Rules and Regulations. Each ACH credit transfer must be received by AT&T ILLINOIS no later than the Bill Due Date of each bill or Late Payment Charges will apply. AT&T ILLINOIS is not liable for any delays in receipt of funds or errors in entries caused by CLEC or Third Parties, including CLEC's financial institution. CLEC is responsible for its own banking fees.
- 10.2.1 Processing of payments not made via electronic funds credit transfers through the ACH network may be delayed. CLEC is responsible for any Late Payment Charges resulting from CLEC's failure to use electronic funds credit transfers through the ACH network.
- 10.3 If any portion of an amount due to a Party (the "Billing Party") under this Agreement is subject to a bona fide dispute between the Parties, the Party billed (the "Non-Paying Party") must, prior to the Bill Due Date, give written notice to the Billing Party of the amounts it disputes ("Disputed Amounts") and include in such written notice the specific details and reasons for disputing each item listed in Section 10.4.1. The Disputing Party should utilize any existing and preferred form provided by the Billing Party to communicate disputes to the Billing Party. On or before the Bill Due Date, the Non-Paying Party must pay (i) all undisputed amounts to the Billing Party, and (ii) all Disputed Amounts [other than disputed charges arising from Appendix Reciprocal Compensation] into an interest bearing escrow account with a Third Party escrow agent mutually agreed upon by the Parties.
- 10.4 Disputed Amounts in escrow will be subject to Late Payment Charges as set forth in Section 10.1.2.
- 10.5 Requirements to Establish Escrow Accounts.
- 10.5.1 To be acceptable, the Third Party escrow agent must meet all of the following criteria:
- 10.5.1.1 The financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent must be located within the continental United States;

- 10.5.1.2The financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent may not be an Affiliate of either Party; and
- 10.5.1.3The financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent must be authorized to handle ACH (credit transactions) (electronic funds) transfers.
- 10.5.2 In addition to the foregoing requirements for the Third Party escrow agent, the disputing Party and the financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent must agree in writing furnished to the Billing Party that the escrow account will meet all of the following criteria:
 - 10.5.2.1The escrow account must be an interest bearing account;
 - 10.5.2.2all charges associated with opening and maintaining the escrow account will be borne by the disputing Party;
 - 10.5.2.3that none of the funds deposited into the escrow account or the interest earned thereon may be used to pay the financial institution's charges for serving as the Third Party escrow agent;
 - 10.5.2.4all interest earned on deposits to the escrow account will be disbursed to the Parties in the same proportion as the principal; and
 - 10.5.2.5disbursements from the escrow account will be limited to those:
 - 10.5.2.5.1authorized in writing by both the disputing Party and the Billing Party (that is, signature(s) from representative(s) of the disputing Party only are not sufficient to properly authorize any disbursement); or
 - 10.5.2.5.2made in accordance with the final, non-appealable order of the arbitrator appointed pursuant to the provisions of Section 12.7; or
 - 10.5.2.5.3made in accordance with the final, non-appealable order of the court that had jurisdiction to enter the arbitrator's award pursuant to Section 12.7.
- 10.5.3 Disputed Amounts in escrow will be subject to Late Payment Charges as set forth in Section 10.1.2.
- 10.5.4 Issues related to Disputed Amounts shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures identified in the Dispute Resolution provisions set forth in Section 12.
- 10.6 If the Non-Paying Party disputes any charges and any portion of the dispute is resolved in favor of such Non-Paying Party, the Parties will cooperate to ensure that all of the following actions are completed:
 - 10.6.1 the Billing Party will credit the invoice of the Non-Paying Party for that portion of the Disputed Amounts resolved in favor of the Non-Paying Party, together with any Late Payment Charges assessed with respect thereto no later than the second Bill Due Date after resolution of the dispute;
 - 10.6.1.1within ten (10) Business Days after resolution of the dispute, the portion of the escrowed Disputed Amounts resolved in favor of the Non-Paying Party will be released to the Non-Paying Party, together with any interest accrued thereon;
 - 10.6.1.2within ten (10) Business Days after resolution of the dispute, the portion of the escrowed Disputed Amounts resolved in favor of the Billing Party will be released to the Billing Party, together with any interest accrued thereon; and
 - 10.6.1.3no later than the third Bill Due Date after the resolution of the dispute, the Non-Paying Party will pay the Billing Party the difference between the amount of accrued interest the Billing Party received from the escrow disbursement and the amount of Late Payment Charges the Billing Party is entitled to receive pursuant to Section 10.1.2.

- 10.7 If the Non-Paying Party disputes any charges and the entire dispute is resolved in favor of the Billing Party, the Parties will cooperate to ensure that all of the actions required by Section 10.6.1.1 and Section 10.6.1.3 are completed within the times specified therein.

10.7.1 Failure by the Non-Paying Party to pay any charges determined to be owed to the Billing Party within the time specified in Section 10.6 shall be grounds for termination of the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products and services provided under this Agreement.

- 10.8 If either Party requests one or more additional copies of a bill, the requesting Party will pay the Billing Party a reasonable fee for each additional copy, unless such copy was requested due to failure in delivery of the original bill or correction(s) to the original bill.

10.9 Exchange of Billing Message Information

10.9.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC a specific Daily Usage File ("DUF" or "Usage Extract") for Resale Services provided hereunder ("Customer Usage Data"). Such Customer Usage Data will be provided by AT&T ILLINOIS in accordance with Exchange Message Interface (EMI) guidelines supported by OBF. Any exceptions to the supported formats will be noted in the DUF implementation requirements documentation for each AT&T-owned ILEC. The DUF will include (i) specific daily usage, including both Local Traffic (if and where applicable) and LEC-carried IntraLATA Toll Traffic, in EMI format for usage sensitive services furnished in connection with each Resale Service to the extent that similar usage sensitive information is provided to retail End Users of AT&T ILLINOIS within that state, (ii) with sufficient detail to enable CLEC to bill its End Users for usage sensitive services furnished by AT&T ILLINOIS in connection with Resale Service provided by AT&T ILLINOIS. Procedures and processes for implementing the interfaces with AT&T ILLINOIS will be included in implementation requirements documentation.

10.9.2 To establish file transmission for the Daily Usage File, CLEC must provide to AT&T ILLINOIS a separate written request for each state no less than sixty (60) calendar days prior to the desired first transmission date for each file.

10.9.3 Call detail for LEC-carried calls that are alternately billed to CLEC End Users' lines provided by AT&T ILLINOIS through Resale will be forwarded to CLEC as rated call detail on the DUF.

10.9.4 Interexchange call detail on Resale Services that is forwarded to AT&T ILLINOIS for billing, which would otherwise be processed by AT&T ILLINOIS for its retail End Users, will be returned to the IXC and will not be passed through to CLEC. This call detail will be returned to the IXC with a transaction code indicating that the returned call originated from a resold account. Billing for Information Services and other ancillary services traffic on Resale Services will be passed through when AT&T ILLINOIS records the message.

- 10.10 When CLEC serves its end user via switch-based service, both Parties will settle tariffed ABT charges for calls accepted by each Party's end users, except in AT&T Connecticut. The originating Party will pay the Party that has the billable end user a Billing and Collection (B&C) fee per billed message as set forth in the pricing schedule.

11. **NONPAYMENT AND PROCEDURES FOR DISCONNECTION**

- 11.1 If a Party is furnished Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products and services under the terms of this Agreement in more than one (1) state, Sections 9.1 through 9.7, inclusive, shall be applied separately for each such state.

- 11.2 Failure to pay charges shall be grounds for disconnection of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products and services furnished under this Agreement. If a Party fails to pay any charges billed to it under this Agreement, including but not limited to any Late Payment Charges or miscellaneous charges ("Unpaid Charges"), and any portion of such Unpaid Charges remain unpaid after the Bill Due Date, the Billing Party will notify the Non-

Paying Party in writing that in order to avoid disruption or disconnection of the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products and services furnished under this Agreement, the Non-Paying Party must remit all Unpaid Charges to the Billing Party within ten (10) Business Days following receipt of the Billing Party's notice of Unpaid Charges.

- 11.3 If the Non-Paying Party desires to dispute any portion of the Unpaid Charges, the Non-Paying Party must complete all of the following actions not later than ten (10) Business Days following receipt of the Billing Party's notice of Unpaid Charges:

11.3.1 notify the Billing Party in writing which portion(s) of the Unpaid Charges it disputes, including the total amount disputed ("Disputed Amounts") and the specific details listed in Section 12.4.1 of this Agreement, together with the reasons for its dispute; and

11.3.2 pay all undisputed Unpaid Charges to the Billing Party; and

11.3.3 pay all Disputed Amounts [other than disputed charges arising from Appendix Reciprocal Compensation] into an interest bearing escrow account that complies with the requirements set forth in Section 10.5; and

11.3.4 furnish written evidence to the Billing Party that the Non-Paying Party has established an interest bearing escrow account that complies with all of the terms set forth in Section 8.6 and deposited a sum equal to the Disputed Amounts [other than disputed charges arising from Appendix Reciprocal Compensation] into that account. Until evidence that the full amount of the Disputed Charges [other than disputed charges arising from Appendix Reciprocal Compensation] has been deposited into an escrow account that complies with Section 10.5 is furnished to the Billing Party, such Unpaid Charges will not be deemed to be "disputed" under Section 12.

- 11.4 Issues related to Disputed Amounts shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures identified in the Dispute Resolution provision set forth in Section 12.

11.5 AT&T ILLINOIS

11.5.1 If the Non-Paying Party fails to (a) pay any undisputed Unpaid Charges in response to the Billing Party's Section 11.2 notice, (b) deposit the disputed portion of any Unpaid Charges into an interest bearing escrow account that complies with all of the terms set forth in Section 10.6 within the time specified in Section 11.3, (c) timely furnish any assurance of payment requested in accordance with Section 9 or (d) make a payment in accordance with the terms of any mutually agreed payment arrangement, the Billing Party may, in addition to exercising any other rights or remedies it may have under Applicable Law, provide written demand to the Non-Paying Party for payment of any of the obligations set forth in (a) through (d) of this Section within ten (10) Business Days. On the day that the Billing Party provides such written demand to the Non-Paying Party, the Billing Party may also exercise any or all of the following options:

11.5.1.1 suspend acceptance of any application, request or order from the Non-Paying Party for new or additional Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products or services under this Agreement; and/or

11.5.1.2 suspend completion of any pending application, request or order from the Non-Paying Party for new or additional Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products or services under this Agreement.

11.5.2 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Billing Party's exercise of any of its options under Section 11.5.1, Section 11.5.1.1 and Section 11.5.1.2:

11.5.2.1 will not delay or relieve the Non-Paying Party's obligation to pay all charges on each and every invoice on or before the applicable Bill Due Date, and

11.5.2.2 will exclude any affected application, request, order or service from any otherwise applicable performance interval, Performance Benchmark or Performance Measure.

11.6 AT&T ILLINOIS only

11.6.1 If the Non-Paying Party fails to pay the Billing Party on or before the date specified in the demand provided under Section 11.5.1 of this Agreement, the Billing Party may, in addition to exercising any other rights or remedies it may have under Applicable Law,

11.6.1.1 cancel any pending application, request or order from the Non-Paying Party for new or additional Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products or services under this Agreement; and

11.6.1.2 discontinue providing any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, products or services furnished under this Agreement.

11.6.1.2.1 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions in this Agreement, discontinuance of service by AT&T ILLINOIS will comply with any ICC rules in place.

11.6.1.2.2 The Billing Party has no liability to the Non-Paying Party or its End Users in the event of discontinuance of service.

11.6.1.2.3 Additional charges may become applicable under the terms of this Agreement following discontinuance of service.

11.7 Limitation on Back-billing and Credit Claims:

11.7.1 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, either Party shall be entitled to

11.7.1.1 Back-bill for or claim credit for any charges for services provided pursuant to this Agreement that are found to be unbilled, under-billed or over-billed, but only when such charges appeared or should have appeared on a bill dated within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date on which the Billing Party provided written notice to the Billed Party of the amount of the back-billing or the Billed Party provided written notice to the Billing Party of the claimed credit amount. The Parties agree that the twelve (12) month limitation on back-billing and credit claims set forth in the preceding sentence shall be applied prospectively only after the Effective Date of this Agreement, meaning that the twelve month period for any back-billing or credit claims may only include billing periods that fall entirely after the Effective Date of this Agreement and will not include any portion of any billing period that began prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement.

11.7.1.2 Back-billing and credit claims, as limited above, will apply to all Interconnection, Resale Services, Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, facilities, functions, product and services purchased under this Agreement. Reciprocal Compensation is specifically excluded from this Section and is addressed separately in the Reciprocal Compensation Attachment.

12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

12.1 Finality of Disputes

12.1.1 Except as otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, no claim may be brought for any dispute arising from this Agreement more than twenty-four (24) months from the date the occurrence which gives rise to the dispute is discovered or reasonably should have been discovered with the exercise of due care and attention.

12.1.2 Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, a Party shall be entitled to dispute only those charges which appeared on a bill dated within the twelve (12) months

immediately preceding the date on which the Billing Party received notice of such Disputed Amounts.

12.2 Alternative to Litigation

12.2.1 The Parties desire to resolve disputes arising out of this Agreement without litigation. Accordingly, the Parties agree to use the following Dispute Resolution procedures with respect to any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its breach.

12.3 Commencing Dispute Resolution

12.3.1 Dispute Resolution shall commence upon one Party's receipt of written notice of a controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its breach. No Party may pursue any claim unless such written notice has first been given to the other Party. There are three (3) separate Dispute Resolution methods:

12.3.1.1 Service Center (AT&T ILLINOIS) Local Service Center (LSC);

12.3.1.2 Informal Dispute Resolution; and

12.3.1.3 Formal Dispute Resolution, each of which is described below.

12.4 LSC/Service Center/LEC-C Dispute Resolution - the following Dispute Resolution procedures will apply with respect to any billing dispute arising out of or relating to the Agreement. Written notice sent to AT&T ILLINOIS for Disputed Amounts must be made on the "13 Billing Claims Dispute Form".

12.4.1 If the written notice given pursuant to Section 12.3 discloses that a CLEC dispute relates to billing, then the procedures set forth in this Section 10.4 shall be used and the dispute shall first be referred to the appropriate service center AT&T ILLINOIS Service Center ;), for resolution. In order to resolve a billing dispute, CLEC shall furnish AT&T ILLINOIS written notice of (i) the date of the bill in question, (ii) CBA/ESBA/ASBS or BAN number of the bill in question, (iii) telephone number, circuit ID number or trunk number in question, (iv) any USOC information relating to the item questioned, (v) amount billed and (vi) amount in question and (vii) the reason that CLEC disputes the billed amount. To be deemed a "dispute" under this Section 12.4, CLEC must provide evidence that it has either paid the disputed amount or established an interest bearing escrow account that complies with the requirements set forth in Section 10.5 of this Agreement and deposited all Unpaid Charges relating to Resale Services and Lawful Unbundled Network Elements into that escrow account. Failure to provide the information and evidence required by this Section 12.4.1 not later than twenty-nine (29) calendar days following the Bill Due Date shall constitute CLEC's irrevocable and full waiver of its right to dispute the subject charges.

12.4.2 The Parties shall attempt to resolve Disputed Amounts appearing on AT&T ILLINOIS' current billing statements thirty (30) to sixty (60) calendar days from the Bill Due Date (provided the CLEC furnishes all requisite information and evidence under Section 12.4.1 by the Bill Due Date). If not resolved within thirty (30) calendar days, upon request, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify CLEC of the status of the dispute and the expected resolution date.

12.4.3 The Parties shall attempt to resolve Disputed Amounts appearing on statements prior to the current billing statement within thirty (30) to ninety (90) calendar days, but resolution may take longer depending on the complexity of the dispute. If not resolved within thirty (30) calendar days from the date notice of the Disputed Amounts was received (provided that CLEC furnishes all requisite information and evidence under Section 12.4.1), AT&T ILLINOIS will notify CLEC of the status of the dispute and the expected resolution date.

12.4.4 Any notice of Disputed Amounts given by AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC pursuant to Section 12.3 shall furnish CLEC written notice of: (i) the date of the bill in question, (ii) the account number or other identification of the bill in question, (iii) any telephone number, circuit ID number or trunk number in question, (iv) any USOC (or other descriptive information) questioned, (v) the amount billed, (vi) the amount in question, and (vii) the reason that AT&T ILLINOIS disputes the billed amount. The Parties shall attempt to resolve Disputed Amounts appearing on current billing

statement(s) thirty (30) to sixty (60) calendar days from the Bill Due Date (provided AT&T ILLINOIS, furnishes all requisite information by the Bill Due Date) and Disputed Amounts appearing on statements prior to the current billing statement within thirty (30) to ninety (90) calendar days, but resolution may take longer depending on the complexity of the dispute. If not resolved within thirty (30) calendar days, CLEC will notify AT&T ILLINOIS of the status of the dispute and the expected resolution date.

12.4.5 If the Non-Paying Party is not satisfied by the resolution of the billing dispute under this Section 12.4, the Non-Paying Party may notify the Billing Party in writing that it wishes to invoke the Informal Resolution of Disputes afforded pursuant to Section 12.5 of this Agreement.

12.5 Informal Resolution of Disputes

12.5.1 Upon receipt by one Party of notice of a dispute by the other Party pursuant to Section 12.3 or Section 12.4.5, each Party will appoint a knowledgeable, responsible representative to meet and negotiate in good faith to resolve any dispute arising under this Agreement. The location, form, frequency, duration, and conclusion of these discussions will be left to the discretion of the representatives. Upon agreement, the representatives may utilize other alternative Dispute Resolution procedures such as mediation to assist in the negotiations. Discussions and the correspondence among the representatives for purposes of settlement are exempt from discovery and production and will not be admissible in the arbitration described below or in any lawsuit without the concurrence of both Parties. Documents identified in or provided with such communications that were not prepared for purposes of the negotiations are not so exempted, and, if otherwise admissible, may be admitted in evidence in the arbitration or lawsuit.

12.6 Formal Dispute Resolution

12.6.1 If the Parties are unable to resolve the dispute through the informal procedure described in Section 12.5, then either Party may invoke the formal Dispute Resolution procedures described in this Section 12.6. Unless agreed among all Parties, formal Dispute Resolution procedures, including arbitration or other procedures as appropriate, may be invoked not earlier than sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of the letter initiating Dispute Resolution under Section 12.3.

12.6.2 Claims Subject to Mandatory Arbitration. The following claims, if not settled through informal Dispute Resolution, will be subject to mandatory arbitration pursuant to Section 12.7 below:

12.6.2.1 Each unresolved billing dispute involving one percent (1%) or less of the amounts charged to the Disputing Party under this Agreement in the state in which the dispute arises during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding receipt of the letter initiating Dispute Resolution under Section 12.3. If the disputing Party has not been billed for a minimum of twelve (12) months immediately preceding receipt of the letter initiating Dispute Resolution under Section 12.3, the Parties will annualize the actual number of months billed.

12.6.3 Claims Subject to Elective Arbitration. Claims will be subject to elective arbitration pursuant to Section 12.7 if, and only if, the claim is not settled through informal Dispute Resolution and both Parties agree to arbitration. If both Parties do not agree to arbitration, then either Party may proceed with any remedy available to it pursuant to law, equity or agency mechanism.

12.6.4 Claims Not Subject to Arbitration. If the following claims are not resolved through informal Dispute Resolution, they will not be subject to arbitration and must be resolved through any remedy available to a Party pursuant to law, equity or agency mechanism.

12.6.4.1 Actions seeking a temporary restraining order or an injunction related to the purposes of this Agreement.

12.6.4.2 Actions to compel compliance with the Dispute Resolution process.

12.6.4.3 All claims arising under federal or state statute(s), including antitrust claims.

12.7 Arbitration

12.7.1 Disputes subject to mandatory or elective arbitration under the provisions of this Agreement will be submitted to a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association or pursuant to such other provider of arbitration services or rules as the Parties may agree. The arbitrator shall be knowledgeable of telecommunications issues. Each arbitration will be held in Chicago, Illinois (AT&T ILLINOIS), as appropriate, unless the Parties agree otherwise. The arbitration hearing will be requested to commence within sixty (60) calendar days of the demand for arbitration. The arbitrator will control the scheduling so as to process the matter expeditiously. The Parties may submit written briefs upon a schedule determined by the arbitrator. The Parties will request that the arbitrator rule on the dispute by issuing a written opinion within thirty (30) calendar days after the close of hearings. The Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. Secs. 1-16, not state law, shall govern the arbitrability of all disputes. Notwithstanding any rule of the AAA Commercial Arbitration Rules to the contrary, the Parties agree that the arbitrator will have no authority to award punitive damages, exemplary damages, Consequential Damages, multiple damages, or any other damages not measured by the prevailing Party's actual damages, and may not, in any event, make any ruling, finding or award that does not conform to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The times specified in this Section may be extended or shortened upon mutual agreement of the Parties or by the arbitrator upon a showing of good cause. Each Party will bear its own costs of these procedures, including attorneys' fees. The Parties will equally split the fees of the arbitration and the arbitrator. The arbitrator's award shall be final and binding and may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. Judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction.

13. AUDITS – APPLICABLE IN AT&T ILLINOIS ONLY

13.1 Subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 22 and except as may be otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, a Party (the "Auditing Party") may audit the other Party's (the "Audited Party") books, records, data and other documents, as provided herein, once annually, with the audit period commencing not earlier than the date on which services were first supplied under this Agreement ("service start date") for the purpose of evaluating (i) the accuracy of Audited Party's billing and invoicing of the services provided hereunder and (ii) verification of compliance with any provision of this Agreement that affects the accuracy of Auditing Party's billing and invoicing of the services provided to Audited Party hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Auditing Party may audit the Audited Party's books, records and documents more than once annually if the previous audit found (i) previously uncorrected net variances or errors in invoices in Audited Party's favor with an aggregate value of at least five percent (5%) of the amounts payable by Auditing Party for audited services provided during the period covered by the audit or (ii) non-compliance by Audited Party with any provision of this Agreement affecting Auditing Party's billing and invoicing of the services provided to Audited Party with an aggregate value of at least five percent (5%) of the amounts payable by Audited Party for audited services provided during the period covered by the audit.

13.1.1 The scope of the audit shall be limited to the period which is the shorter of (i) the period subsequent to the last day of the period covered by the audit which was last performed (or if no audit has been performed, the service start date and (ii) the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the date the Audited Party received notice of such requested audit, but in any event not prior to the service start date. Such audit shall begin no fewer than thirty (30) calendar days after Audited Party receives a written notice requesting an audit and shall be completed no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the start of such audit.

13.1.2 Such audit shall be conducted either by the Auditing Party's employee(s) or an independent auditor acceptable to both Parties; provided, however, if the Audited Party requests that an independent auditor be engaged and the Auditing Party agrees, the Audited Party shall pay one-quarter (1/4) of the independent auditor's fees and expenses. If an independent auditor is to be

engaged, the Parties shall select an auditor by the thirtieth day following Audited Party's receipt of a written audit notice. Auditing Party shall cause the independent auditor to execute a nondisclosure agreement in a form agreed upon by the Parties.

- 13.1.3 Each audit shall be conducted on the premises of the Audited Party during normal business hours. Audited Party shall cooperate fully in any such audit and shall provide the auditor reasonable access to any and all appropriate Audited Party employees and any books, records and other documents reasonably necessary to assess (i) the accuracy of Audited Party's bills and (ii) Audited Party's compliance with the provisions of this Agreement that affect the accuracy of Auditing Party's billing and invoicing of the services provided to Audited Party hereunder. Audited Party may redact from the books, records and other documents provided to the auditor any Audited Party information that reveals the identity of End Users of Audited Party.
- 13.1.4 Each Party shall maintain reports, records and data relevant to the billing of any services that are the subject matter of this Agreement for a period of not less than twenty-four (24) months after creation thereof, unless a longer period is required by Applicable Law.
- 13.1.5 If any audit confirms any undercharge or overcharge, then Audited Party shall (i) promptly correct any billing error, including making refund of any overpayment by Auditing Party in the form of a credit on the invoice for the first full billing cycle after the Parties have agreed upon the accuracy of the audit results and (ii) for any undercharge caused by the actions of the Audited Party, immediately compensate Auditing Party for such undercharge, and (iii) in each case, calculate and pay interest as provided in Section 10.1 (depending on the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) involved), for the number of calendar days from the date on which such undercharge or overcharge originated until the date on which such credit is issued or payment is made and available.
- 13.1.6 Except as may be otherwise provided in this Agreement, audits shall be performed at Auditing Party's expense, subject to reimbursement by Audited Party of one-quarter (1/4) of any independent auditor's fees and expenses in the event that an audit finds, and the Parties subsequently verify, a net adjustment in the charges paid or payable by Auditing Party hereunder by an amount that is, on an annualized basis, greater than five percent (5%) of the aggregate charges for the audited services during the period covered by the audit.
- 13.1.7 Any disputes concerning audit results shall be referred to the Parties' respective personnel responsible for informal resolution. If these individuals cannot resolve the dispute within thirty (30) calendar days of the referral, either Party may request in writing that an additional audit shall be conducted by an independent auditor acceptable to both Parties, subject to the requirements set out in Section 13.1. Any additional audit shall be at the requesting Party's expense.

14. DISCLAIMER OF REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 14.1 EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, NO PARTY MAKES OR RECEIVES ANY WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO THE INTERCONNECTION, RESALE SERVICES, LAWFUL UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS, FUNCTIONS, FACILITIES, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IT PROVIDES UNDER OR IS CONTEMPLATED TO PROVIDE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND EACH PARTY DISCLAIMS THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND/OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. ADDITIONALLY, NO PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY WITH REGARD TO THE CORRECTNESS OF DATA OR INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ANY OTHER PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT WHEN SUCH DATA OR INFORMATION IS ACCESSED AND USED BY A THIRD PARTY.

15. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 15.1 Except for indemnity obligations expressly set forth herein or as otherwise expressly provided in specific appendices, each Party's liability to the other Party for any Loss relating to or arising out of

such Party's performance under this Agreement, including any negligent act or omission (whether willful or inadvertent), whether in contract, tort or otherwise, including alleged breaches of this Agreement and causes of action alleged to arise from allegations that breach of this Agreement also constitute a violation of a statute, including the Act, shall not exceed in total the amount AT&T ILLINOIS or CLEC has charged or would have charged to the other Party for the affected Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and service(s) that were not performed or were improperly performed.

- 15.2 Except as otherwise expressly provided in specific appendices, in the case of any Loss alleged or claimed by a Third Party to have arisen out of the negligence or willful misconduct of any Party, each Party shall bear, and its obligation shall be limited to, that portion (as mutually agreed to by the Parties or as otherwise established) of the resulting expense caused by its own negligence or willful misconduct or that of its agents, servants, contractors, or others acting in aid or concert with it.
- 15.3 A Party may, in its sole discretion, provide in its tariffs and contracts with its End Users or Third Parties that relate to any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services provided or contemplated under this Agreement that, to the maximum extent permitted by Applicable Law, such Party shall not be liable to such End User or Third Party for (i) any Loss relating to or arising out of this Agreement, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, that exceeds the amount such Party would have charged the End User or Third Party for the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services that gave rise to such Loss and (ii) any Consequential Damages. If a Party elects not to place in its tariffs or contracts such limitation(s) of liability, and the other Party incurs a Loss as a result thereof, the first Party shall indemnify and reimburse the other Party for that portion of the Loss that would have been limited had the first Party included in its tariffs and contracts the limitation(s) of liability described in this Section.
- 15.4 Neither CLEC nor AT&T ILLINOIS shall be liable to the other Party for any Consequential Damages suffered by the other Party, regardless of the form of action, whether in contract, warranty, strict liability, tort or otherwise, including negligence of any kind, whether active or passive (and including alleged breaches of this Agreement and causes of action alleged to arise from allegations that breach of this Agreement constitutes a violation of the Act or other statute), and regardless of whether the Parties knew or had been advised of the possibility that such damages could result in connection with or arising from anything said, omitted, or done hereunder or related hereto, including willful acts or omissions; provided that the foregoing shall not limit a Party's obligation under Section 16 to indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless against any amounts payable to a Third Party, including any Losses, and Consequential Damages of such Third Party; provided, however, that nothing in this Section 15.4 shall impose indemnity obligations on a Party for any Loss or Consequential Damages suffered by that Party's End User in connection with any affected Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services. Except as provided in the prior sentence, each Party ("Indemnifying Party") hereby releases and holds harmless the other Party ("Indemnitee") (and Indemnitee's Affiliates, and its respective officers, directors, employees and agents) against any Loss or Claim made by the Indemnifying Party's End User.
- 15.5 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be liable for damages to an End User's premises resulting from the furnishing of any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services, including, if applicable, the installation and removal of equipment and associated wiring, unless the damage is caused by AT&T ILLINOIS' gross negligence or willful misconduct. AT&T ILLINOIS does not guarantee or make any warranty with respect to Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services when used in an explosive atmosphere.

- 15.6 CLEC hereby releases AT&T ILLINOIS from any and all liability for damages due to errors or omissions in CLEC's End User listing information as provided by CLEC to AT&T ILLINOIS under this Agreement, including any errors or omissions occurring in 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.
- 15.7 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be liable to CLEC, its End User or any other Person for any Loss alleged to arise out of the provision of access to 911 service or any errors, interruptions, defects, failures or malfunctions of 911 service.
- 15.8 This Section 15 is not intended to exempt any Party from all liability under this Agreement, but only to set forth the scope of liability agreed to and the type of damages that are recoverable. Both Parties acknowledge that they negotiated regarding alternate limitation of liability provisions but that such provisions would have altered the cost, and thus the price, of providing the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services available hereunder, and no different pricing reflecting different costs and different limits of liability was agreed to.

16. INDEMNITY

- 16.1 Except as otherwise expressly provided herein or in specific appendices, each Party shall be responsible only for the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services which are provided by that Party, its authorized agents, subcontractors, or others retained by such Parties, and neither Party shall bear any responsibility for the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services provided by the other Party, its agents, subcontractors, or others retained by such Parties.
- 16.2 Except as otherwise expressly provided herein or in specific appendices, and to the extent not prohibited by Applicable Law and not otherwise controlled by tariff, each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") shall release, defend and indemnify the other Party (the "Indemnified Party") and hold such Indemnified Party harmless against any Loss to a Third Party arising out of the negligence or willful misconduct ("Fault") of such Indemnifying Party, its agents, its End Users, contractors, or others retained by such Parties, in connection with the Indemnifying Party's provision of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services under this Agreement; provided, however, that (i) with respect to employees or agents of the Indemnifying Party, such Fault occurs while performing within the scope of their employment, (ii) with respect to subcontractors of the Indemnifying Party, such Fault occurs in the course of performing duties of the subcontractor under its subcontract with the Indemnifying Party, and (iii) with respect to the Fault of employees or agents of such subcontractor, such Fault occurs while performing within the scope of their employment by the subcontractor with respect to such duties of the subcontractor under the subcontract.
- 16.3 In the case of any Loss alleged or claimed by a End User of either Party, the Party whose End User alleged or claimed such Loss (the "Indemnifying Party") shall defend and indemnify the other Party (the "Indemnified Party") against any and all such Claims or Losses by its End User regardless of whether the underlying Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service giving rise to such Claim or Loss was provided or provisioned by the Indemnified Party, unless the Claim or Loss was caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Party.
- 16.4 A Party (the "Indemnifying Party") shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party ("Indemnified Party") against any Claim or Loss arising from the Indemnifying Party's use of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services provided under this Agreement involving:
- 16.4.1 Any Claim or Loss arising from such Indemnifying Party's use of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services

offered under this Agreement, involving any Claim for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or infringement of Intellectual Property rights arising from the Indemnifying Party's or its End User's use.

16.4.1.1 The foregoing includes any Claims or Losses arising from disclosure of any End User-specific information associated with either the originating or terminating numbers used to provision Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services provided hereunder and all other Claims arising out of any act or omission of the End User in the course of using any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services provided pursuant to this Agreement.

16.4.1.2 The foregoing includes any Losses arising from Claims for actual or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property right of a Third Party to the extent that such Loss arises from an Indemnifying Party's or an Indemnifying Party's End User's use of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services provided under this Agreement; provided, however, that an Indemnifying Party's obligation to defend and indemnify the Indemnified Party shall not apply:

16.4.1.2.1 where an Indemnified Party or its End User modifies Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products or services; provided under this Agreement; and

16.4.1.2.2 no infringement would have occurred without such modification.

16.4.2 Any and all penalties imposed on either Party because of the Indemnifying Party's failure to comply with the Communications Assistance to Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (CALEA); provided that the Indemnifying Party shall also, at its sole cost and expense, pay any amounts necessary to modify or replace any equipment, facilities or services provided to the Indemnified Party under this Agreement to ensure that such equipment, facilities and services fully comply with CALEA.

16.5 CLEC acknowledges that its right under this Agreement to Interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS' network and to unbundle and/or combine AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful Unbundled Network Elements (including combining with CLEC's Network Elements) may be subject to or limited by Intellectual Property rights (including without limitation, patent, copyright, trade secret, trade mark, service mark, trade name and trade dress rights) and contract rights of Third Parties.

16.5.1 The Parties acknowledge that on April 27, 2000, the FCC released its Memorandum Opinion and Order in CC Docket No. 96-98 (File No. CCBPol. 97-4), In the Matter of Petition of MCI for Declaratory *Ruling*. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that by executing this Agreement, neither Party waives any of its rights, remedies, or arguments with respect to such decision and any remand thereof, including its right to seek legal review or a stay pending appeal of such decision.

16.5.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to use its best efforts to obtain for CLEC, under commercially reasonable terms, Intellectual Property rights to each Lawful UNE necessary for CLEC to use such Lawful UNE in the same manner as AT&T ILLINOIS.

16.5.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no obligation to attempt to obtain for CLEC any Intellectual Property right(s) that would permit CLEC to use any Lawful UNE in a different manner than used by AT&T ILLINOIS.

16.5.1.3 To the extent not prohibited by a contract with the vendor of the network element sought by CLEC that contains Intellectual Property licenses, AT&T ILLINOIS shall reveal to CLEC the name of the vendor, the Intellectual Property rights licensed to AT&T ILLINOIS under the vendor contract and the terms of the contract (excluding cost

terms). AT&T ILLINOIS shall, at CLEC's request, contact the vendor to attempt to obtain permission to reveal additional contract details to CLEC.

16.5.1.4 All costs associated with the extension of Intellectual Property rights to CLEC pursuant to Section 18.1, including the cost of the license extension itself and the costs associated with the effort to obtain the license, shall be a part of the cost of providing the Lawful UNE to which the Intellectual Property rights relate and apportioned to all requesting carriers using that Lawful UNE including AT&T ILLINOIS.

16.5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS hereby conveys no licenses to use such Intellectual Property rights and makes no warranties, express or implied, concerning CLEC's (or any Third Parties') rights with respect to such Intellectual Property rights and contract rights, including whether such rights will be violated by such Interconnection or unbundling and/or combining of Lawful Unbundled Network Elements (including combining with CLEC's Network Elements) in AT&T ILLINOIS' network or CLEC's use of other functions, facilities, products or services furnished under this Agreement. Any licenses or warranties for Intellectual Property rights associated with Lawful UNEs are vendor licenses and warranties and are a part of the Intellectual Property rights AT&T ILLINOIS agrees in Section 16.5.1.1 to use its best efforts to obtain.

16.5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS does not and shall not indemnify, defend or hold CLEC harmless, nor be responsible for indemnifying or defending, or holding CLEC harmless, for any Claims or Losses for actual or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property right or interference with or violation of any contract right that arises out of, is caused by, or relates to CLEC's Interconnection with AT&T ILLINOIS' network and unbundling and/or combining AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful Unbundled Network Elements (including combining with CLEC's Network Elements) or CLEC's use of other functions, facilities, products or services furnished under this Agreement. Any indemnities for Intellectual Property rights associated with Lawful UNEs shall be vendor's indemnities and are a part of the Intellectual Property rights AT&T ILLINOIS agrees in Section 16.5.1.1 to use its best efforts to obtain.

16.6 CLEC shall reimburse AT&T ILLINOIS for damages to AT&T ILLINOIS' facilities utilized to provide Interconnection or Lawful UNEs hereunder caused by the negligence or willful act of CLEC, its agents or subcontractors or CLEC's End User or resulting from CLEC's improper use of AT&T ILLINOIS' facilities, or due to malfunction of any facilities, functions, products, services or equipment provided by any person or entity other than AT&T ILLINOIS. Upon reimbursement for damages, AT&T ILLINOIS will cooperate with CLEC in prosecuting a claim against the person causing such damage. CLEC shall be subrogated to the right of recovery by AT&T ILLINOIS for the damages to the extent of such payment.

16.7 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, each Party agrees that should it cause any non-standard digital subscriber line ("xDSL") technologies (as that term is defined in the applicable Appendix DSL and/or the applicable commission-ordered tariff, as appropriate) to be deployed or used in connection with or on AT&T ILLINOIS facilities, that Party ("Indemnifying Party") will pay all costs associated with any damage, service interruption or other Telecommunications Service degradation, or damage to the other Party's ("Indemnitee's") facilities.

16.8 Indemnification Procedures

16.8.1 Whenever a claim shall arise for indemnification under this Section 16, the relevant Indemnified Party, as appropriate, shall promptly notify the Indemnifying Party and request in writing the Indemnifying Party to defend the same. Failure to so notify the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of any liability that the Indemnifying Party might have, except to the extent that such failure prejudices the Indemnifying Party's ability to defend such claim.

16.8.2 The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to defend against such liability or assertion, in which event the Indemnifying Party shall give written notice to the Indemnified Party of acceptance of the defense of such claim and the identity of counsel selected by the Indemnifying Party.

- 16.8.3 Until such time as Indemnifying Party provides written notice of acceptance of the defense of such claim, the Indemnified Party shall defend such claim, at the expense of the Indemnifying Party, subject to any right of the Indemnifying Party to seek reimbursement for the costs of such defense in the event that it is determined that Indemnifying Party had no obligation to indemnify the Indemnified Party for such claim.
- 16.8.4 Upon accepting the defense, the Indemnifying Party shall have exclusive right to control and conduct the defense and settlement of any such claims, subject to consultation with the Indemnified Party. So long as the Indemnifying Party is controlling and conducting the defense, the Indemnifying Party shall not be liable for any settlement by the Indemnified Party unless such Indemnifying Party has approved such settlement in advance and agrees to be bound by the agreement incorporating such settlement.
- 16.8.5 At any time, an Indemnified Party shall have the right to refuse a compromise or settlement, and, at such refusing Party's cost, to take over such defense; provided that, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall not be responsible for, nor shall it be obligated to indemnify the refusing Party against, any cost or liability in excess of such refused compromise or settlement.
- 16.8.6 With respect to any defense accepted by the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Party will be entitled to participate with the Indemnifying Party in such defense if the claim requests equitable relief or other relief that could affect the rights of the Indemnified Party, and shall also be entitled to employ separate counsel for such defense at such Indemnified Party's expense.
- 16.8.7 If the Indemnifying Party does not accept the defense of any indemnified claim as provided above, the Indemnified Party shall have the right to employ counsel for such defense at the expense of the Indemnifying Party.
- 16.8.8 In the event of a failure to assume the defense, the Indemnified Party may negotiate a settlement, which shall be presented to the Indemnifying Party. If the Indemnifying Party refuses to agree to the presented settlement, the Indemnifying Party may take over the defense. If the Indemnifying Party refuses to agree to the presented settlement and refuses to take over the defense, the Indemnifying Party shall be liable for any reasonable cash settlement not involving any admission of liability by the Indemnifying Party, though such settlement may have been made by the Indemnified Party without approval of the Indemnifying Party, it being the Parties' intent that no settlement involving a non-monetary concession by the Indemnifying Party, including an admission of liability by such Party, shall take effect without the written approval of the Indemnifying Party.
- 16.8.9 Each Party agrees to cooperate and to cause its employees and agents to cooperate with the other Party in the defense of any such claim and the relevant records of each Party shall be available to the other Party with respect to any such defense, subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in Section 22.

17. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- 17.1 Attachment Performance Measures provides monetary payments for failure to meet specified performance standards. The provisions of that Attachment constitute the sole obligation of AT&T ILLINOIS to pay damages or financial penalties for failure to meet specified performance standards identified in such Attachment and all other Attachments to this Agreement, notwithstanding other sections of this agreement...

18. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 18.1 Any Intellectual Property originating from or developed by a Party shall remain in the exclusive ownership of that Party.

19. NOTICES

19.1 Subject to Section 19.2, notices given by one Party to the other Party under this Agreement shall be in writing (unless specifically provided otherwise herein), and unless otherwise expressly required by this Agreement to be delivered to another representative or point of contact, shall be

19.1.1 delivered personally;

19.1.2 delivered by express overnight delivery service;

19.1.3 mailed, via certified mail or first class U.S. Postal Service, with postage prepaid, and a return receipt requested; or

19.1.4 delivered by facsimile; provided that a paper copy is also sent by a method described in sections 19.1.1, 19.1.2, or 19.1.3.

19.1.5 Notices will be deemed given as of the earliest of:

19.1.5.1 the date of actual receipt,

19.1.5.2 the next Business Day when sent via express overnight delivery service,

19.1.5.3 five (5) calendar days after mailing in the case of first class or certified U.S. Postal Service, or

19.1.5.4 on the date set forth on the confirmation produced by the sending facsimile machine when delivered by facsimile prior to 5:00 p.m. in the recipient's time zone, but the next Business Day when delivered by facsimile at 5:00 p.m. or later in the recipient's time zone.

19.1.6 Notices will be addressed to the Parties as follows:

NOTICE CONTACT	CLEC CONTACT	AT&T ILLINOIS CONTACT
NAME/TITLE	Stephen V. Murray/Director, Regulatory Affairs	Contract Management ATTN: Notices Manager
STREET ADDRESS	103 South 5 th Street PO Box 430	311 S. Akard, 9 th Floor Four AT&T Plaza
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	Mebane, NC 27302	Dallas, TX 75202-5398
FACSIMILE NUMBER	919-563-4993	214-464-2006

19.1.7 Either Party may unilaterally change its designated contact, address, telephone number and/or facsimile number for the receipt of notices by giving written notice to the other Party in compliance with this Section. Any notice to change the designated contact, address, telephone and/or facsimile number for the receipt of notices shall be deemed effective ten (10) calendar days following receipt by the other Party.

19.2 AT&T ILLINOIS communicates official information to CLECs via its Accessible Letter notification process. This process covers a variety of subjects, including updates on products/services promotions; deployment of new products/services; modifications and price changes to existing products/services; cancellation or retirement of existing products/services; and operational issues. Changes to this process will be developed through the CLEC User Forum process and will be implemented only with the concurrence of the CLEC User Forum Global Issues group.

19.3 In the AT&T ILLINOIS' Accessible Letter notification will be via electronic mail ("e-mail") distribution. Accessible Letter notification via e-mail will be deemed given as of the date set forth on the e-mail message.

19.4 In AT&T ILLINOIS CLEC may designate up to a maximum of ten (10) recipients for Accessible Letter notification via e-mail.

20. PUBLICITY AND USE OF TRADEMARKS OR SERVICE MARKS

- 20.1 Neither Party nor its subcontractors or agents shall use in any advertising or sales promotion, press releases, or other publicity matters any endorsements, direct or indirect quotes, or pictures that imply endorsement by the other Party or any of its employees without such first Party's prior written approval. The Parties will submit to each other for written approval, prior to publication, all publicity matters that mention or display one another's name and/or marks or contain language from which a connection to said name and/or marks may be inferred or implied; the Party to whom a request is directed shall respond promptly. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed as preventing either Party from publicly stating the fact that it has executed this Agreement with the other Party.
- 20.2 Nothing in this Agreement shall grant, suggest, or imply any authority for one Party to use the name, trademarks, service marks, logos, proprietary trade dress or trade names of the other Party in any advertising, press releases, publicity matters, marketing and/or promotional materials or for any other commercial purpose without prior written approval from such other Party.

21. NO LICENSE

- 21.1 Except at otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, no license under patents, copyrights or any other Intellectual Property right (other than the limited license to use consistent with the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Agreement) is granted by either Party or shall be implied or arise by estoppel with respect to any transactions contemplated under this Agreement.

22. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 22.1 Both Parties agree to treat Proprietary Information received from the other in accordance with the provisions of Section 222 of the Act.
- 22.2 Unless otherwise agreed, the obligations of confidentiality and non-use do not apply to such Proprietary Information that:
- 22.2.1 Was at the time of receipt, already known to the Receiving Party, free of any obligation to keep confidential and evidenced by written records prepared prior to delivery by the Disclosing Party; or
 - 22.2.2 Is, or becomes publicly known through no wrongful act of the Receiving Party; or
 - 22.2.3 Is rightfully received from a Third Party having no direct or indirect secrecy or confidentiality obligation to the Disclosing Party with respect to such information; provided that such Receiving Party has exercised commercially reasonable efforts to determine whether such Third Party has any such obligation; or
 - 22.2.4 Is independently developed by an agent, employee representative or Affiliate of the Receiving Party and such Party is not involved in any manner with the provision of services pursuant to this Agreement and does not have any direct or indirect access to the Proprietary Information; or
 - 22.2.5 Is disclosed to a Third Party by the Disclosing Party without similar restrictions on such Third Party's rights; or
 - 22.2.6 Is approved for release by written authorization of the Disclosing Party, but only to the extent of the authorization granted; or
 - 22.2.7 Is required to be made public or disclosed by the Receiving Party pursuant to Applicable Law or regulation or court order or lawful process.

23. INTERVENING LAW

- 23.1 This Agreement is the result of negotiations between the Parties and may incorporate certain provisions that resulted from arbitration by the appropriate state Commission(s). In entering into this Agreement and any Amendments to such Agreement and carrying out the provisions herein, neither Party waives, but instead expressly reserves, all of its rights, remedies and arguments with respect to any orders,

decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof and any other federal or state regulatory, legislative or judicial action(s), including, without limitation, its intervening law rights relating to the following actions, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further government review: *Verizon v. FCC, et. al*, 535 U.S. 467 (2002); *USTA, et. al v. FCC*, 290 F.3d 415 (D.C. Cir. 2002) and following remand and appeal, *USTA v. FCC*, 359 F.3d 554 (D.C. Cir. 2004); the FCC's Triennial Review Order, CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98 and 98-147 (FCC 03-36) including, without limitation, the FCC's MDU Reconsideration Order (FCC 04-191) (rel. Aug. 9, 2004) and the FCC's Order on Reconsideration (FCC 04-248) (rel. Oct. 18, 2004), and the FCC's Biennial Review Proceeding; the FCC's Order on Remand (FCC 04-290), WC Docket No. 04-312 and CC Docket No. 01-338 (rel. Feb. 4, 2005) ("TRO Remand Order"); the FCC's Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 05-150), CC Docket Nos. 02-33, 01-337, 95-20, 98-10 and WC Docket Nos. 04-242 and 05-271 (rel. Sept. 23, 2005) ("Title I Order"); the FCC's Supplemental Order Clarification (FCC 00-183) (rel. June 2, 2000), in CC Docket 96-98; and the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order in CC Dockets No. 96-98 and 99-68, 16 FCC Rcd 9151 (2001), (rel. April 27, 2001), which was remanded in *WorldCom, Inc. v. FCC*, 288 F.3d 429 (D.C. Cir. 2002), and as to the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking as to Inter-carrier Compensation, CC Docket 01-92 (Order No. 01-132) (rel. April 27, 2001) (collectively "Government Actions"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement (including any amendments to this Agreement), AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no obligation to provide UNEs, combinations of UNEs, combinations of UNE(s) and CLEC's own elements or UNEs in commingled arrangements beyond those required by the Act, including the lawful and effective FCC rules and associated FCC and judicial orders. Except to the extent that AT&T ILLINOIS has adopted the FCC ISP terminating compensation plan ("FCC Plan") in an AT&T ILLINOIS state in which this Agreement is effective, and the Parties have incorporated rates, terms and conditions associated with the FCC Plan into this Agreement, these rights also include but are not limited to AT&T ILLINOIS' right to exercise its option at any time to adopt on a date specified by AT&T ILLINOIS the FCC Plan, after which date ISP-bound traffic will be subject to the FCC Plan's prescribed terminating compensation rates, and other terms and conditions, and seek conforming modifications to this Agreement. If any action by any state or federal regulatory or legislative body or court of competent jurisdiction invalidates, modifies, or stays the enforcement of laws or regulations that were the basis or rationale for any rate(s), term(s) and/or condition(s) ("Provisions") of the Agreement and/or otherwise affects the rights or obligations of either Party that are addressed by this Agreement, specifically including but not limited to those arising with respect to the Government Actions, the affected Provision(s) shall be immediately invalidated, modified or stayed consistent with the action of the regulatory or legislative body or court of competent jurisdiction upon the written request of either Party ("Written Notice"). With respect to any Written Notices hereunder, the Parties shall have sixty (60) days from the Written Notice to attempt to negotiate and arrive at an agreement on the appropriate conforming modifications to the Agreement. If the Parties are unable to agree upon the conforming modifications required within sixty (60) days from the Written Notice, any disputes between the Parties concerning the interpretation of the actions required or the provisions affected by such order shall be resolved pursuant to the dispute resolution process provided for in this Agreement.

24. GOVERNING LAW

- 24.1 Unless otherwise provided by Applicable Law, this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Act, the FCC Rules and Regulations interpreting the Act and other applicable federal law. To the extent that federal law would apply state law in interpreting this Agreement, the domestic laws of the state in which the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services at issue are furnished or sought shall apply, without regard to that state's conflict of laws principles. The Parties submit to personal jurisdiction in Chicago, Illinois, and waive any and all objection to any such venue.

25. REGULATORY APPROVAL

- 25.1 The Parties understand and agree that this Agreement and any amendment or modification hereto will be filed with the Commission for approval in accordance with Section 252 of the Act and may thereafter be filed with the FCC. The Parties believe in good faith and agree that the services to be provided under this Agreement are in the public interest. Each Party covenants and agrees to fully support approval of this Agreement by the Commission or the FCC under Section 252 of the Act without modification.

26. CHANGES IN END USER LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE PROVIDER SELECTION

26.1 Applies to AT&T ILLINOIS only

- 26.1.1 Each Party will abide by applicable federal and state laws and regulations in obtaining End User authorization prior to changing an End User's Local Exchange Carrier to itself and in assuming responsibility for any applicable charges as specified in the FCC's rules regarding Subscriber Carrier Selection Changes (47 CFR 64.1100 through 64.1170) and any applicable state regulation. Each Party shall deliver to the other Party a representation of authorization that applies to all orders submitted by a Party under this Agreement requiring a LEC change. A Party's representation of authorization shall be delivered to the other Party prior to the first order submitted to the other Party. Each Party shall retain on file all applicable letters and other documentation of authorization relating to its End User's selection of such Party as its LEC, which documentation shall be available for inspection by the other Party at its request during normal business hours and at no charge.
- 26.1.2 Only an End User can initiate a challenge to a change in its LEC. If an End User notifies one Party that the End User requests local exchange service, and the other Party is such End User's LEC, then the Party receiving such request shall be free to immediately access such End User's CPNI subject to the requirements of the applicable Appendix OSS restricting access to CPNI in order to immediately provide service to such End User.
- 26.1.3 When an End User changes or withdraws authorization from its LEC, each Party shall release End User-specific facilities belonging to the ILEC in accordance with the End User's direction or that of the End User's authorized agent. Further, when an End User abandons its premise (that is, its place of business or domicile), AT&T ILLINOIS is free to reclaim the Lawful UNE facilities for use by another End User and is free to issue service orders required to reclaim such facilities.
- 26.1.4 Neither Party shall be obligated by this Agreement to investigate any allegations of unauthorized changes in local exchange service (slamming) at the request of the other Party; provided, however, that each Party shall cooperate with any investigation of a complaint alleging an unauthorized change in local exchange service at the request of the FCC or the applicable state Commission.
- 26.1.5 The Parties agree to the re-use of existing network facilities when an End User changes its provider of local exchange service and the network facilities are provided by the same network provider.

27. COMPLIANCE AND CERTIFICATION

- 27.1 Each Party shall comply at its own expense with all Applicable Laws that relate to that Party's obligations to the other Party under this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as requiring or permitting either Party to contravene any mandatory requirement of Applicable Law.
- 27.2 Each Party warrants that it has obtained all necessary state certification required in each state covered by this Agreement prior to ordering any Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services from the other Party pursuant to this Agreement. Upon request, each Party shall provide proof of certification.

- 27.3 Each Party shall be responsible for obtaining and keeping in effect all approvals from, and rights granted by, Governmental Authorities, building and property owners, other carriers, and any other Third Parties that may be required in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 27.4 Each Party represents and warrants that any equipment, facilities or services provided to the other Party under this Agreement comply with the CALEA.

28. LAW ENFORCEMENT

- 28.1 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall reasonably cooperate with the other Party in handling law enforcement requests as follows:

28.1.1 Intercept Devices:

28.1.1.1 Local and federal law enforcement agencies periodically request information or assistance from local telephone service providers. When either Party receives a request associated with an End User of the other Party, it shall refer such request to the Party that serves such End User, unless the request directs the receiving Party to attach a pen register, trap-and-trace or form of intercept on the Party's facilities, in which case that Party shall comply with any valid request.

28.1.2 Subpoenas:

28.1.2.1 If a Party receives a subpoena for information concerning an End User the Party knows to be an End User of the other Party, it shall refer the subpoena to the Requesting Party with an indication that the other Party is the responsible company, unless the subpoena requests records for a period of time during which the receiving Party was the End User's service provider, in which case that Party will respond to any valid request.

28.1.3 Emergencies:

28.1.3.1 If a Party receives a request from a law enforcement agency for a temporary number change, temporary disconnect, or one-way denial of outbound calls by the receiving Party's switch for an End User of the other Party, that Receiving Party will comply with a valid emergency request. However, neither Party shall be held liable for any claims or Losses arising from compliance with such requests on behalf of the other Party's End User and the Party serving such End User agrees to indemnify and hold the other Party harmless against any and all such claims or Losses.

29. RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES/INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

- 29.1 Each Party is an independent contractor, and has and hereby retains the right to exercise full control of and supervision over its own performance of its obligations under this Agreement and retains full control over the employment, direction, compensation and discharge of its employees assisting in the performance of such obligations. Each Party and each Party's contractor(s) shall be solely responsible for all matters relating to payment of such employees, including the withholding or payment of all applicable federal, state and local income taxes, social security taxes and other payroll taxes with respect to its employees, as well as any taxes, contributions or other obligations imposed by applicable state unemployment or workers' compensation acts and all other regulations governing such matters. Each Party has sole authority and responsibility to hire, fire and otherwise control its employees.
- 29.2 Nothing contained herein shall constitute the Parties as joint venturers, partners, employees or agents of one another, and neither Party shall have the right or power to bind or obligate the other. Nothing herein will be construed as making either Party responsible or liable for the obligations and undertakings of the other Party. Except for provisions herein expressly authorizing a Party to act for another, nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a Party as a legal representative or agent of the other Party, nor shall a Party have the right or authority to assume, create or incur any liability or any obligation of any kind, express or implied, against or in the name or on behalf of the other Party unless

otherwise expressly permitted by such other Party. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, no Party undertakes to perform any obligation of the other Party, whether regulatory or contractual, or to assume any responsibility for the management of the other Party's business.

30. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES; DISCLAIMER OF AGENCY

- 30.1 This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties and their permitted assigns, and nothing herein expressed or implied shall create or be construed to create any Third Party beneficiary rights hereunder. This Agreement shall not provide any Person not a party hereto with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action, or other right in excess of those existing without reference hereto.

31. SUBCONTRACTING

- 31.1 If either Party retains or engages any subcontractor to perform any of that Party's obligations under this Agreement, each Party will remain fully responsible for the performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, including any obligations either Party performs through subcontractors.
- 31.2 Each Party will be solely responsible for payments due that Party's subcontractors.
- 31.3 No subcontractor will be deemed a Third Party beneficiary for any purposes under this Agreement.
- 31.4 No contract, subcontract or other agreement entered into by either Party with any Third Party in connection with the provision of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services hereunder will provide for any indemnity, guarantee or assumption of liability by the other Party to this Agreement with respect to such arrangement, except as consented to in writing by the other Party.
- 31.5 Any subcontractor that gains access to Customer Proprietary Network Information ("CPNI") or Proprietary Information covered by this Agreement shall be required by the subcontracting Party to protect such CPNI or Proprietary Information to the same extent the subcontracting Party is required to protect such CPNI or Proprietary Information under the terms of this Agreement.

32. RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION

- 32.1 Each Party shall be solely responsible at its own expense for the proper handling, use, removal, excavation, storage, treatment, transport, disposal, or any other management by such Party or any person acting on its behalf of all Hazardous Substances and Environmental Hazards introduced to the affected work location and will perform such activities in accordance with Applicable Law.
- 32.2 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement and to the fullest extent permitted by Applicable Law, AT&T ILLINOIS shall, at CLEC's request, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless CLEC, each of its officers, directors and employees from and against any losses, damages, costs, fines, penalties and expenses (including reasonable attorneys and consultant's fees) of every kind and nature to the extent they are incurred by any of those parties in connection with a claim, demand, suit, or proceeding for damages, penalties, contribution, injunction, or any other kind of relief that is based upon, arises out of, is caused by, or results from: (i) the removal or disposal from the work location of a Hazardous Substance by AT&T ILLINOIS or any person acting on behalf of AT&T ILLINOIS, or the subsequent storage, processing, or other handling of such Hazardous Substances after they have been removed from the work location, (ii) the Release of a Hazardous Substance, regardless of its source, by AT&T ILLINOIS or any person acting on behalf of AT&T ILLINOIS, or (iii) the presence at the work location of an Environmental Hazard for which AT&T ILLINOIS is responsible under Applicable Law or a Hazardous Substance introduced into the work location by AT&T ILLINOIS or any person acting on behalf of AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 32.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement and to the fullest extent permitted by Applicable Law, CLEC shall, at AT&T ILLINOIS' request, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS, each of its officers, directors and employees from and against any losses, damages, costs,

- finest, penalties and expenses (including reasonable attorney's and consultant's fees) of every kind and nature to the extent they are incurred by any of those parties in connection with a claim, demand, suit, or proceeding for damages, penalties, contribution, injunction, or any other kind of relief that is based upon, arises out of, is caused by, or results from: (i) the removal or disposal of a Hazardous Substance from the work location by CLEC or any person acting on behalf of CLEC, or the subsequent storage, processing, or other handling of such Hazardous Substances after they have been removed from the work location, (ii) the Release of a Hazardous Substance, regardless of its source, by CLEC or any person acting on behalf of CLEC, or (iii) the presence at the work location of an Environmental Hazard for which CLEC is responsible under Applicable Law or a Hazardous Substance introduced into the work location by CLEC or any person acting on behalf of CLEC.
- 32.4 For the purposes of this agreement, "Hazardous Substances" means (i) any material or substance that is defined or classified as a hazardous substance, hazardous waste, hazardous material, hazardous chemical, pollutant, or contaminant under any federal, state, or local environmental statute, rule, regulation, ordinance or other Applicable Law dealing with the protection of human health or the environment, (ii) petroleum, oil, gasoline, natural gas, fuel oil, motor oil, waste oil, diesel fuel, jet fuel, and other petroleum hydrocarbons, or (iii) asbestos and asbestos containing material in any form, and (iv) any soil, groundwater, air, or other media contaminated with any of the materials or substances described above.
- 32.5 For the purposes of this agreement, "Environmental Hazard" means (i) the presence of petroleum vapors or other gases in hazardous concentrations in a manhole or other confined space, or conditions reasonably likely to give rise to such concentrations, (ii) asbestos containing materials, or (iii) any potential hazard that would not be obvious to an individual entering the work location or detectable using work practices standard in the industry.
- 32.6 For the purposes of this agreement, "Release" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, disposal, or other movement into (i) the work location, or (ii) other environmental media, including but not limited to, the air, ground or surface water, or soil.
- 33. FORCE MAJEURE**
- 33.1 No Party shall be responsible for delays or failures in performance of any part of this Agreement (other than an obligation to make money payments) resulting from acts or occurrences beyond the reasonable control of such Party, including acts of nature, acts of civil or military authority, any law, order, regulation, ordinance of any Governmental Authority, embargoes, epidemics, terrorist acts, riots, insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, hurricanes, floods, work stoppages, equipment failures, cable cuts, power blackouts, volcanic action, other major environmental disturbances, unusually severe weather conditions, inability to secure products or services of other persons or transportation facilities or acts or omissions of transportation carriers (individually or collectively, a "Force Majeure Event") or any Delaying Event caused by the other Party or any other circumstances beyond the Party's reasonable control. If a Force Majeure Event shall occur, the Party affected shall give prompt notice to the other Party of such Force Majeure Event specifying the nature, date of inception and expected duration of such Force Majeure Event, whereupon such obligation or performance shall be suspended to the extent such Party is affected by such Force Majeure Event during the continuance thereof or be excused from such performance depending on the nature, severity and duration of such Force Majeure Event (and the other Party shall likewise be excused from performance of its obligations to the extent such Party's obligations relate to the performance so interfered with). The affected Party shall use its reasonable efforts to avoid or remove the cause of nonperformance and the Parties shall give like notice and proceed to perform with dispatch once the causes are removed or cease.

34. TAXES

- 34.1 Each Party purchasing Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services under this Agreement shall pay or otherwise be responsible for all federal, state, or local sales, use, excise, gross receipts, municipal fees, transfer, transaction or similar taxes, fees, or surcharges (hereinafter "Tax") imposed on, or with respect to, the Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services under this Agreement provided by or to such Party, except for (a) any Tax on either party's corporate existence, status, or income or (b) any corporate franchise Taxes. Whenever possible, Taxes shall be billed as a separate item on the invoice.
- 34.2 CLEC acknowledges and agrees that it is required to comply with Chapter 283 of the Texas Local Government Code, as it may be amended from time to time, and the reporting and compensation requirements of Subchapter R of the P.U.C. Substantive Rules – Chapter 26, Applicable to Telecommunications Service Providers, as they may be amended from time to time. With respect to municipal fees charged pursuant to Chapter 283, Tex. Loc. Gov't Code, CLEC agrees that it will directly report its access lines to the Texas Public Utility Commission, will remit the related payments to municipalities, and will otherwise comply with Chapter 283 and applicable P.U.C rules, as they may be amended from time to time.
- 34.3 With respect to any purchase of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services under this Agreement if any Tax is required or permitted by Applicable Law to be collected from the purchasing Party by the providing Party, then: (i) the providing Party shall bill the purchasing Party for such Tax; (ii) the purchasing Party shall remit such Tax to the providing Party; and (iii) the providing Party shall remit such collected Tax to the applicable taxing authority. Failure to include Taxes on an invoice or to state a Tax separately shall not impair the obligation of the purchasing Party to pay any Tax. Nothing shall prevent the providing Party from paying any Tax to the appropriate taxing authority prior to the time: (i) it bills the purchasing Party for such Tax, or (ii) it collects the Tax from the purchasing Party. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the purchasing Party shall be liable for and the providing Party may collect Taxes which were assessed by or paid to an appropriate taxing authority within the statute of limitations period but not included on an invoice within four (4) years after the Tax otherwise was owed or due.
- 34.4 With respect to any purchase hereunder of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services under this Agreement that are resold to a third party, if any Tax is imposed by Applicable Law on the End User in connection with any such purchase, then: (i) the purchasing Party shall be required to impose and/or collect such Tax from the End User; and (ii) the purchasing Party shall remit such Tax to the applicable taxing authority. The purchasing Party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the providing Party for any costs incurred by the providing Party as a result of actions taken by the applicable taxing authority to collect the Tax from the providing Party due to the failure of the purchasing Party to pay or collect and remit such tax to such authority.
- 34.5 If the providing Party fails to bill or to collect any Tax as required herein, then, as between the providing Party and the purchasing Party: (i) the purchasing Party shall remain liable for such uncollected Tax; and (ii) the providing Party shall be liable for any penalty and interest assessed with respect to such uncollected Tax by such authority. However, if the purchasing Party fails to pay any Taxes properly billed, then, as between the providing Party and the purchasing Party, the purchasing Party will be solely responsible for payment of the Taxes, penalty and interest.
- 34.6 If the purchasing Party fails to impose and/or collect any Tax from End Users as required herein, then, as between the providing Party and the purchasing Party, the purchasing Party shall remain liable for such uncollected Tax and any interest and penalty assessed thereon with respect to the uncollected Tax by the applicable taxing authority. With respect to any Tax that the purchasing Party has agreed to pay or impose on and/or collect from End Users, the purchasing Party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the providing Party for any costs incurred by the providing Party as a result of actions taken

by the applicable taxing authority to collect the Tax from the providing Party due to the failure of the purchasing Party to pay or collect and remit such Tax to such authority.

- 34.7 If either Party is audited by a taxing authority or other Governmental Authority, the other Party agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Party being audited in order to respond to any audit inquiries in a proper and timely manner so that the audit and/or any resulting controversy may be resolved expeditiously.
- 34.8 To the extent a sale is claimed to be for resale and thus subject to tax exemption, the purchasing Party shall furnish the providing Party a proper resale tax exemption certificate as authorized or required by statute or regulation of the jurisdiction providing said resale tax exemption. Failure to timely provide said resale tax exemption certificate will result in no exemption being available to the purchasing Party for any period prior to the date that the purchasing Party presents a valid certificate. If Applicable Law excludes or exempts a purchase of Interconnection, Resale Services, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, functions, facilities, products and services under this Agreement from a Tax, but does not also provide an exemption procedure, then the providing Party will not collect such Tax if the purchasing Party (a) furnishes the providing Party with a letter signed by an officer of the purchasing Party claiming an exemption and identifying the Applicable Law that both allows such exemption and does not require an exemption certificate; and (b) supplies the providing Party with an indemnification agreement, reasonably acceptable to the providing Party, which holds the providing Party harmless from any tax, interest, penalties, loss, cost or expense with respect to forbearing to collect such Tax.
- 34.9 With respect to any Tax or Tax controversy covered by this Section 33, the purchasing Party is entitled to contest with the imposing jurisdiction, pursuant to Applicable Law and at its own expense, any Tax that it is ultimately obligated to pay or collect. The purchasing Party will ensure that no lien is attached to any asset of the providing Party as a result of any contest. The purchasing Party shall be entitled to the benefit of any refund or recovery of amounts that it had previously paid resulting from such a contest. Amounts previously paid by the providing Party shall be refunded to the providing Party. The providing Party will cooperate in any such contest.
- 34.10 All notices, affidavits, exemption certificates or other communications required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other under this Section 34 shall be sent in accordance with Section 17 hereof.

35. NON-WAIVER

- 35.1 Except as otherwise specified in this Agreement, no waiver of any provision of this Agreement and no consent to any default under this Agreement shall be effective unless the same is in writing and properly executed by or on behalf of the Party against whom such waiver or consent is claimed. Waiver by either Party of any default by the other Party shall not be deemed a waiver of any other default. Failure of either Party to insist on performance of any term or condition of this Agreement or to exercise any right or privilege hereunder shall not be construed as a continuing or future waiver of such term, condition, right or privilege. No course of dealing or failure of any Party to strictly enforce any term, right, or condition of this Agreement in any instance shall be construed as a general waiver or relinquishment of such term, right or condition.

36. NETWORK MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT

- 36.1 The Parties will work cooperatively to implement this Agreement. The Parties will exchange appropriate information (for example, maintenance contact numbers, network information (including CLLI codes, Point codes and Wire Center addresses, as necessary to implement interconnection), information required to comply with law enforcement and other security agencies of the Government, escalation processes, etc.) to achieve this desired result.
- 36.2 Each Party will administer its network to ensure acceptable service levels to all users of its network services. Service levels are generally considered acceptable only when End Users are able to establish connections with little or no delay encountered in the network. Each Party will provide a 24-hour contact number for Network Traffic Management issues to the other's surveillance management center.

- 36.3 Each Party maintains the right to implement protective network traffic management controls, such as "cancel to", "call gapping" or 7-digit and 10-digit code gaps, to selectively cancel the completion of traffic over its network, including traffic destined for the other Party's network, when required to protect the public-switched network from congestion as a result of occurrences such as facility failures, switch congestion or failure or focused overload. Each Party shall immediately notify the other Party of any protective control action planned or executed.
- 36.4 Where the capability exists, originating or terminating traffic reroutes may be implemented by either Party to temporarily relieve network congestion due to facility failures or abnormal calling patterns. Reroutes shall not be used to circumvent normal trunk servicing. Expansive controls shall be used only when mutually agreed to by the Parties.
- 36.5 The Parties shall cooperate and share pre-planning information regarding cross-network call-ins expected to generate large or focused temporary increases in call volumes to prevent or mitigate the impact of these events on the public-switched network, including any disruption or loss of service to the other Party's End Users. Facsimile (FAX) numbers must be exchanged by the Parties to facilitate event notifications for planned mass calling events.
- 36.6 Neither Party shall use any Interconnection, Resale Service, Lawful Unbundled Network Element, function, facility, product or service provided under this Agreement or any other service related thereto or used in combination therewith in any manner that interferes with or impairs service over any facilities of AT&T ILLINOIS, its affiliated companies or other connecting telecommunications carriers, prevents any carrier from using its Telecommunications Service, impairs the quality or the privacy of Telecommunications Service to other carriers or to either Party's End Users, causes hazards to either Party's personnel or the public, damage to either Party's or any connecting carrier's facilities or equipment, including any malfunction of ordering or billing systems or equipment. Upon such occurrence either Party may discontinue or refuse service, but only for so long as the other Party is violating this provision. Upon any such violation, either Party shall provide the other Party notice of the violation at the earliest practicable time.

37. SIGNALING

- 37.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide SS7 signaling pursuant to applicable access tariff.

38. CUSTOMER INQUIRIES

- 38.1 Except as otherwise required by Section 26.1, each Party will refer all questions regarding the other Party's services or products directly to the other Party at a telephone number specified by that Party.
- 38.2 Except as otherwise required by Section 26.1, each Party will ensure that all of its representatives who receive inquiries regarding the other Party's services:
- 38.2.1 Provide the number described in Section 41 to callers who inquire about the other Party's services or products; and
- 38.2.2 Do not in any way disparage or discriminate against the other Party or its products or services.
- 38.3 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, CLEC shall be the primary point of contact for CLEC's End Users with respect to the services CLEC provides such End Users.
- 38.4 CLEC acknowledges that AT&T ILLINOIS may, upon End User request, provide services directly to such End User similar to those offered to CLEC under this Agreement.

39. EXPENSES

- 39.1 Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, each Party will be solely responsible for its own expenses involved in all activities related to the matters covered by this Agreement.

- 39.2 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall each be responsible for one-half (1/2) of expenses payable to a Third Party for Commission fees or other charges (including regulatory fees, reproduction and delivery expense and any costs of notice or publication, but not including attorney's fees) associated with the filing of this Agreement or any amendment to this Agreement.

40. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 40.1 The Parties represent that no employee or agent of either Party has been or will be employed, retained, paid a fee, or otherwise received or will receive any personal compensation or consideration from the other Party, or any of the other Party's employees or agents in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement or any associated documents.

41. SURVIVAL

- 41.1 The Parties' obligations under this Agreement which by their nature are intended to continue beyond the termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement. Without limiting the general applicability of the foregoing, the following terms and conditions of the General Terms and Conditions are specifically agreed by the Parties to continue beyond the termination or expiration of this Agreement: Section 7.5; Section 7.6, Section 9.3; Section 10.1; Section 10.3; Section 10.4; Section 10.5; Section 10.6; Section 10.7; Section 10.8; Section 12, Section 13; Section 15; Section 16; Section 17; Section 18.1; Section 20; Section 21; Section 22; Section 24; Section 27.4; Section 28.1.3; Section 34; Section 35 and Section 43.

42. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

- 42.1 This Agreement is intended to describe and enable specific Interconnection and compensation arrangements between the Parties. This Agreement is the arrangement under which the Parties may purchase from each other the products and services described in Section 251 of the Act and obtain approval of such arrangement under Section 252 of the Act. Except as agreed upon in writing, neither Party shall be required to provide the other Party a function, facility, product, service or arrangement described in the Act that is not expressly provided herein.
- 42.2 Except as specifically contained herein or provided by the FCC or any Commission within its lawful jurisdiction, nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to affect any access charge arrangement.

43. AMENDMENTS AND MODIFICATIONS

- 43.1 Except as otherwise provided for in this Agreement, no provision of this Agreement shall be deemed amended or modified by either Party unless such an amendment or modification is in writing, dated, and signed by an authorized representative of both Parties. The rates, terms and conditions contained in the amendment shall become effective upon approval of such amendment by the appropriate Commissions; and such amendment will not require refunds, true-up or retroactive crediting or debiting prior to the approval of the Amendment. AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall each be responsible for its share of the publication expense (i.e. filing fees, delivery and reproduction expense, and newspaper notification fees), to the extent publication is required for filing of an amendment by a specific state.
- 43.2 Neither Party shall be bound by any preprinted terms additional to or different from those in this Agreement that may appear subsequently in the other Party's form documents, purchase orders, quotations, acknowledgments, invoices or other communications.

44. APPENDICES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

44.1 ACCESS TO RIGHTS-OF-WAY -- SECTION 251(b)(4)

- 44.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide to CLEC access to Poles, Conduits and Rights of Ways pursuant to the applicable Appendix ROW, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.2 COLLOCATION -- SECTION 251(c)(6)

44.2.1 Collocation will be provided pursuant to the applicable Appendix Collocation, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.3 DIALING PARITY -- SECTION 251(b)(3)

44.3.1 The Parties shall provide Local Dialing Parity to each other as required under Section 251(b)(3) of the Act.

44.3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide IntraLATA Dialing Parity in accordance with Section 271(e)(2) of the Act.

44.4 INTERCONNECTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 251(c)(2)(A),(B),(C); 47 CFR § 51.305(a)(1)

44.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide to CLEC Interconnection of the Parties' facilities and equipment for the transmission and routing of Telephone Exchange Service traffic and Exchange Access traffic pursuant to the applicable Appendix ITR, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Methods for Interconnection and Physical Architecture shall be as defined in the applicable Appendix NIM, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.5 NUMBER PORTABILITY -- SECTIONS 251(b)(2)

44.5.1 The Parties shall provide to each other Permanent Number Portability (PNP) on a reciprocal basis as outlined in the applicable Appendix Number Portability, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6 OTHER SERVICES

44.6.1 911 and E911 Services

44.6.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will make nondiscriminatory access to 911 and E911 services available under the terms and conditions of the applicable Appendix 911, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.1.2 The Parties agree that for "data only" providers the following rules concerning 911 requirements apply:

44.6.1.2.1 The Parties agree that CLEC will not have to establish 911 trunking or interconnection to Ameritech's 911 Selective Routers, and therefore AT&T ILLINOIS shall not provide 911 services for those information service applications in which CLEC does not offer its end users the ability to place outgoing voice calls provided that; and

44.6.1.2.2 CLEC understands and agrees that, should it decide to provide voice service, it is required to meet all applicable Commission 911 service requirements; and

44.6.1.2.3 CLEC agrees to begin implementing access to 911 sufficiently in advance of the planned implementation of voice service to meet its 911 requirements. CLEC understands that the steps it must take to fulfill its 911 obligation include, but are not limited to, obtaining NXX(s) from NECA for the exchange area(s) CLEC plans to serve, submission of the appropriate form(s) to AT&T ILLINOIS, and, following AT&T ILLINOIS' processing of such form(s), obtaining approval from the appropriate PSAP(s) for the CLEC's 911 service architecture. CLEC further understands that PSAP approval may include testing 911 trunks with appropriate PSAP(s). CLEC understands that, based on AT&T ILLINOIS' prior experience with CLEC implementation of 911, these steps require a minimum of sixty (60) days.

44.6.1.2.4 CLEC agrees to indemnify and hold AT&T ILLINOIS harmless from the consequences of CLEC's decision to not interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS'

911 Selective Routers. The provisions of General Terms and Conditions Section 14 shall apply to such indemnification.

44.6.2 Directory Assistance (DA)

44.6.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide nondiscriminatory access to Directory Assistance services under the terms and conditions identified in the applicable Appendix DA, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.3 Hosting

44.6.3.1 At CLEC's request, AT&T ILLINOIS shall perform hosting responsibilities for the provision of billable message data and/or access usage data received from CLEC for distribution to the appropriate billing and/or processing location or for delivery to CLEC of such data via AT&T ILLINOIS' internal network or the nationwide CMDS network pursuant to the applicable Appendix HOST, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.4 Operator Services (OS)

44.6.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide nondiscriminatory access to Operator Services under the terms and conditions identified in the applicable Appendix OS, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.5 Publishing and Directory

44.6.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will make nondiscriminatory access to Publishing and Directory service available under the terms and conditions of the applicable Appendix White Pages, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.6 RESALE--SECTIONS 251(b)(1)

44.6.6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide to CLEC Telecommunications Services for resale at wholesale rates pursuant to the applicable Appendix Resale, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.7 TRANSMISSION AND ROUTING OF SWITCHED ACCESS TRAFFIC PURSUANT TO 251(c)(2)

44.6.7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide to CLEC certain trunk groups (Meet Point Trunks) under certain parameters pursuant to the applicable Appendix ITR, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.8 TRANSMISSION AND ROUTING OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SERVICE TRAFFIC PURSUANT TO SECTION 251(c)(2)(D); 252(d)(1) and (2); 47 CFR § 51.305(a)(5).

44.6.8.1 The applicable Appendix Compensation, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, prescribe traffic routing parameters for Local Interconnection Trunk Group(s) the Parties shall establish over the Interconnections specified in the applicable Appendix ITR, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

44.6.9 LAWFUL UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS -- SECTIONS 251(c)(3)

44.6.9.1 Pursuant to the applicable Appendix Lawful UNEs, which is/are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC access to Lawful UNEs for the provision of Telecommunications Service as required by Sections 251 and 252 of the Act and in the Appendices hereto. CLEC agrees to provide access to its Network Elements to AT&T ILLINOIS under the same terms, conditions and prices contained herein and in the applicable Appendices hereto.

45. AUTHORITY

- 45.1 Each of the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) for which this Agreement is executed represents and warrants that it is a corporation or limited partnership duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of incorporation or formation. Each of the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) for which this Agreement is executed represents and warrants that AT&T Operations, Inc. has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement as agent for that AT&T-owned ILEC. Each of the AT&T-owned ILEC(s) for which this Agreement is executed represents and warrants that it has full power and authority to perform its obligations hereunder.
- 45.2 CLEC represents and warrants that it is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Illinois and has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder. CLEC represents and warrants that it has been or will be certified as a LEC by the Commission(s) prior to submitting any orders hereunder and is or will be authorized to provide the Telecommunications Services contemplated hereunder in the territory contemplated hereunder prior to submission of orders for such Service.
- 45.3 Each Person whose signature appears below represents and warrants that he or she has authority to bind the Party on whose behalf he or she has executed this Agreement.

46. COUNTERPARTS

- 46.1 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts. Each counterpart shall be considered an original and such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

47. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

47.1 AT&T ILLINOIS

- 47.1.1 The terms contained in this Agreement and any Appendices, Attachments, Exhibits, Schedules, and Addenda constitute the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, superseding all prior understandings, proposals and other communications, oral or written between the Parties during the negotiations of this Agreement and through the execution and/or Effective Date of this Agreement. This Agreement shall not operate as or constitute a novation of any agreement or contract between the Parties that predates the execution and/or Effective Date of this Agreement.

Signatures

THIS AGREEMENT CONTAINS A BINDING ARBITRATION PROVISION WHICH MAY BE ENFORCED BY THE PARTIES.

Madison River Communications, LLC

Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois
by AT&T Operations, Inc., its authorized agent

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APPENDIX PHYSICAL COLLOCATION

1. INTRODUCTION

AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Physical Collocation arrangements at the rates, terms and conditions set forth below.

1.1 Process

1.1.1 This Appendix provides for the placing of Collocator telecommunications equipment and facilities on AT&T ILLINOIS property for the purposes set forth in Section 1.3, following.

1.2 Scope

1.2.1 Physical Collocation provides actual space via AT&T ILLINOIS approved vendor (hereinafter referred to as Dedicated Space) within AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure as defined in Section 2, Definitions, following. The Collocator will lease the Dedicated Space from AT&T ILLINOIS and install certain of its own telecommunications equipment within the Dedicated Space that is necessary for the purposes set forth in Section 1.3 following, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide caged, cageless, and other Physical Collocation arrangements within its Eligible Structures. When space is Legitimately Exhausted inside an Eligible Structure, AT&T ILLINOIS will permit collocation in Adjacent Structures located on AT&T ILLINOIS property in accordance with this Appendix.

1.3 Purpose

1.3.1 Physical Collocation is available to telecommunications carriers for the placement of telecommunications equipment as provided for in this Appendix solely for the purposes of (i) transmitting and routing Telephone Exchange service or Exchange Access pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(2) of the Act and applicable effective FCC regulations and judicial rulings, or (ii) obtaining access to AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) of the Act including lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders. The terms "Telephone Exchange Service", "Exchange Access" and "Network Element" are used as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 153(47), 47 U.S.C. § 153(16), and 47 U.S.C. § 153(29) of the Act, respectively.

1.4 The Parties intend that this Appendix contain the sole and exclusive terms and conditions by which telecommunications carrier will obtain Physical Collocation from AT&T ILLINOIS pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(6). For the term of the Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS will process any order for any 251(c)(6) Physical Collocation submitted by Collocator, as being submitted under this Appendix and, further, will convert any 251(c)(6) Physical Collocation provided under tariff ("Billing Conversions") prior to the effective date of the Agreement, to this Appendix, effective as of the Effective Date of the Agreement. The Billing Conversions shall only involve changes in the applicable pricing, and AT&T ILLINOIS will not impose any charge(s) to perform such Billing Conversion(s).

1.4.1 Prospective Effect

1.4.1.1 Except as may otherwise be provided within this Appendix, any Billing Conversion made pursuant to Section 1.4 shall be effective on a prospective basis only, including for non-recurring and recurring charges. The rates implemented via this interconnection agreement shall apply to all existing collocation arrangements that were established under the terms and conditions established pursuant to 47 USC 251(c)(6) without the need for a specific request by the CLEC that such new rates be implemented for each such collocation arrangement. Adoption of a new rate structure shall not by itself require purchaser to incur any new non-recurring collocation area modification or application charges.

1.4.1.2 In the event that any order for any 251(c)(6) Physical Collocation submitted by Collocator is pending as of the Effective Date of the Agreement, any non-recurring charges then due and owing or otherwise then contemplated by such pending order shall be assessed in

accordance with the rates set forth in the arrangement (e.g., tariff or prior interconnection agreement) under which the order was originally submitted; provided, however, that any recurring charges arising out of such order shall be subject to the rates set forth in this Agreement from the Effective Date forward.

- 1.4.2 The terms and conditions expressly set forth in this Appendix shall control in the event of an irreconcilable conflict with the Collocation Services Handbook, AT&T ILLINOIS standards and requirements for equipment and facility installations, CLEC Online website, or AT&T ILLINOIS TP76300MP.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 Act - "Act" means the Communications Act of 1934 [47 U.S.C. 153(R)], as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Public Law 104-104, 110 Stat. 56 (1996) codified throughout 47 U.S.C.
- 2.2 Active Collocation Space - Denotes the space within an Eligible Structure that has sufficient telecommunications infrastructure systems, including power that can be designated for Physical Collocation. Space within CEVs, huts and cabinets and similar Eligible Structures that can be designated for Physical Collocation is considered to be Active Collocation Space.
- 2.3 Adjacent Off-site Arrangement - Where Physical Collocation space within AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure is Legitimately Exhausted, and the Collocator's Adjacent On-site space is not within 50 ft. of the Eligible Structure's outside perimeter wall, the Collocator has the option and AT&T ILLINOIS shall permit an Adjacent Structure Off-site Arrangement, to the extent technically feasible. The Adjacent Off-site Arrangement is available if the Collocator's site is located on a property that is contiguous to or within one standard city block of AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office or Eligible Structure.
- 2.4 Adjacent Structure - A Collocator-provided structure placed on AT&T ILLINOIS property (Adjacent On-site) or non-AT&T ILLINOIS property (Adjacent Off-site) adjacent to an Eligible Structure. This arrangement is only permitted when space is legitimately exhausted inside the Eligible Structure and to the extent technically feasible.
- 2.5 Augment - A request from a Collocator to add or modify space, equipment, and/or cable to an existing Physical Collocation arrangement.
- 2.6 Cross-Connect - A service order-generated connection of one or more Collocator's equipment cables using patch cords or jumpers that attach to connecting equipment hardware at the Main Distribution Frame (MDF), Intermediate Distribution Frame (IDF) or Fiber Distribution Frame (FDF).
- 2.7 Direct Connection - Sometimes inappropriately called a cross-connect, this is a cable connection between a Collocator's collocated equipment in a Physical or Virtual Collocation arrangement and its own or another Collocator's physically or virtually collocated equipment, located within the Eligible Structure (see Cross Connect, 2.6).
- 2.8 Custom Work Charge - Denotes the charge(s) developed solely to meet the construction requirements of the Collocator, (e.g., brighter lighting above the Collocator's cage, circular cage, different style tile within the cage).
- 2.9 Day - For purposes of application and/or installation intervals, "day" denotes calendar days unless otherwise specified. However, any time period equal to or less than five (5) days, day denotes business day.
- 2.10 Delivery Date - The date on which AT&T ILLINOIS provides the requested collocation space constructed in accordance with the requesting carrier's application, and turns the functional space over to the requesting carrier. The space is functional when AT&T ILLINOIS has completed all it has to do and is not dependent on when or whether the Collocator has completed its work.
- 2.11 Dedicated Space - Denotes the space assigned for the Collocator's Physical Collocation arrangement located in AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure.

- 2.12 **Effective Billing Date** - The date AT&T ILLINOIS completed its work as required by the Collocator's accurate and complete application and made the Physical Collocation space available to the Collocator, regardless of any failure by the Collocator to complete its work.
- 2.13 **Eligible Structure** - Eligible Structure refers to AT&T ILLINOIS Central Offices and serving wire centers, as well as all buildings or similar structures owned or leased by AT&T ILLINOIS that house its network facilities, and all structures that house AT&T ILLINOIS facilities on public rights-of-way.
- 2.14 **Extraordinary Charges** - Those costs for requests for construction or maintenance that are beyond what is ordinary, average, usual or normal in degree or measure based upon the terms, conditions, and rates established in this Appendix. Extraordinary costs are one-time expenses AT&T ILLINOIS incurs to meet the specific request of an individual Collocator and will not typically benefit either other CLECs or AT&T ILLINOIS as defined in Section 17.
- 2.15 **Inactive Space** - Denotes the space within the central office that can be designated for physical collocation where infrastructure systems do not currently exist and must be constructed. The designation of Other (Inactive) Collocation Space is applicable to space within central offices only; other Eligible Structures such as CEVs, Huts, and Vaults are considered Active Collocation Space.
- 2.16 **Individual Case Basis (ICB)** - AT&T ILLINOIS may seek to impose Individual Case Basis (ICB) charges for requirements based on requests from a Collocator that are beyond the terms, conditions, and rates established in this Appendix.
- 2.17 **Infrastructure Systems** - Denotes the structural components, such as floors capable of supporting equipment loads, heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, electrical systems, power, high efficiency filtration, humidity controls, remote alarms, and smoke purge.
- 2.18 **Installation Supplier** - Suppliers/vendors that are approved to perform central office installation work for AT&T ILLINOIS and for Collocator in AT&T ILLINOIS eligible structures in all collocation footprints areas and/or AT&T ILLINOIS common areas in the technologies and geographical locations for which they are approved by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 2.18.1 **AT&T Approved CO Installation Suppliers (Tier 1 Approved Suppliers)** - These suppliers are approved to perform CO installation work for AT&T ILLINOIS and for Collocators in AT&T ILLINOIS central offices in all collocation areas and common areas in the technologies and geographical locations for which they are approved by the AT&T ILLINOIS per the letter codes listed in a table on the Tier 1 list on <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>.
- 2.18.2 **AT&T Collocation Approved Installation Suppliers (Tier 2 Approved Suppliers)** - These suppliers have been approved to perform collocation installation work for Collocators AT&T ILLINOIS central offices in the Caged Collocation area and in the "footprint of the bay" in the Cageless (Physical) Collocation area. This category of approval does not include access to common areas, installation of cabling outside of the cage or footprint, virtual collocation areas, the MDF or the BDFB power distribution areas.
- 2.19 **Interconnector's Guide for Collocation (Collocation Handbook)** -or like document is a publication provided to Collocators that provides information on how to order collocation arrangements and the processes and requirements for collocation in the AT&T ILLINOIS, which is located on the AT&T ILLINOIS CLEC ONLINE Web-Site (<https://clec.sbc.com/clec>), as amended from time to time.
- 2.20 **Legitimately Exhausted** - Denotes when all space in a Central Office (CO) or other Eligible Structure that can be used to locate telecommunications equipment via physical collocation is completely occupied.
- 2.21 **Main Distribution Frame** - The termination point in the Eligible Structure between cables from the outside, tied down on one side of the frame, and internal lines, tied down on the other side of the frame.
- 2.22 **Non-Standard Collocation Request (NSCR)** - AT&T ILLINOIS may seek to impose non-standard charges for requirements based on requests from a Collocator that are beyond the terms, conditions, and rates established in this Appendix.

- 2.23 Preparation Charges - Denotes those charges associated with the initial preparation of the Collocator's Dedicated Space.
- 2.24 Remote Terminals - Controlled Environmental Vaults (CEV), Huts, Remote Terminals and Cabinets and other AT&T owned or controlled premises where collocation is practical and technically feasible, e.g. where heat dissipation is not severely limited or there is sufficient space for Collocator's equipment.
- 2.25 Technical Publications - documents for installation requirements, can include network equipment, power, grounding, environmental, and physical design requirements. These documents can be referenced via <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>.
- 2.26 Technically Feasible - A collocation arrangement is technically feasible if, in accordance with either national standards or industry practice, there is no significant technical impediment to its establishment. Technical impediment shall be determined consistent with the definition of technically feasible in 47 CFR Section 51.5 to the extent that definition may be effective at the time of such determination. A rebuttable presumption that a collocation arrangement is technically feasible shall arise if the arrangement has been deployed by any incumbent local exchange carrier in the country.
- 2.27 Telecommunications Infrastructure Space - Denotes the square footage or linear footage of space, including common areas, used to house telecommunications infrastructure equipment necessary to support collocation space used for interconnection with or access to UNEs of AT&T ILLINOIS network.
- 2.28 Unused Space - Any space (i) existing in AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structures at the time of a collocation request, (ii) that is not subject to a valid space reservation by AT&T ILLINOIS or any third party, (iii) that is not occupied by AT&T ILLINOIS, its affiliates', or third party's equipment, and is not needed for access to, or egress from, work areas (iv) that is not being used by AT&T ILLINOIS or its affiliates for administrative or other functions and (v) on or in which the placement of any equipment or network facilities (AT&T ILLINOIS or Requesting Collocator's) would not violate any local or state law, rule or ordinance (e.g., fire, OSHA, or zoning) or technical standards (performance or safety) or would void AT&T ILLINOIS warranty on proximate.

3. GENERAL

3.1 Certification

3.1.1 The Collocator requesting Physical Collocation is responsible for obtaining any necessary certifications or approvals from the state utility commission prior to provisioning of telecommunications service by using the Physical Collocation space. AT&T ILLINOIS shall not refuse to process an application for collocation space and shall not refuse to provision the collocation space submitted by a telecommunications carrier while that telecommunications carrier's state certification is pending or prior to a final approved interconnection agreement.

3.2 The rates and charges in this Appendix are applicable only for Physical Collocation arrangements in Eligible Structures as defined in Section 2 of this Appendix. AT&T ILLINOIS allocates the charges for space preparation and security charges on a prorated basis so the first Collocator in a premises will not be responsible for the entire cost of site preparation. However, ancillary charges for unique Collocator requests for collocation options directly attributable to the requesting Collocator will not be prorated. Examples include power arrangements and POT bay-related options.

3.3 Hazardous Waste and Materials

3.3.1 The Collocator and its vendors shall adhere to all federal, state and local regulations regarding hazardous material/waste. In addition, the telecommunications carrier's Installation Supplier shall adhere to all AT&T ILLINOIS requirements. The Installation Supplier shall coordinate with the AT&T ILLINOIS representative before any activity relating to hazardous material/waste is started. Refer to the Interconnector's Guide for Collocation Products and Services Handbook Appendix B, may be accessed via <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>.

3.4 Safety

3.4.1 The Collocator shall be entirely responsible for the safety and instruction of its employees or representatives. The Collocator shall take precautions to avoid harm to personnel, equipment, and building (e.g., cutting installed threaded rod) of AT&T ILLINOIS or other telecommunications carriers. The Collocator shall immediately report to the AT&T ILLINOIS representative any accident, outside agency inspection or hazardous condition, such as any accident or injury that occurs to employees or subcontractors of the Collocator while on AT&T ILLINOIS premises or any OSHA inspection or citations issued to the Collocator while on AT&T ILLINOIS premises. (Refer to Interconnector's Guide for Collocation for further details).

3.5 Parking at Eligible Structures will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis if there is no commercial parking or curbside parking available within a reasonable radius of the Eligible Structure. AT&T ILLINOIS will rent parking spaces to Collocator on a first-come, first-served basis if such space is available. Collocator may not park in spaces that are reserved for AT&T ILLINOIS vehicles and which are designated as reserved. AT&T ILLINOIS shall not unreasonably reserve for its own use all parking at the Eligible Structure.

3.6 Collocator shall be allowed to have reasonable use of and access to loading docks. Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS are required to follow all posted traffic and AT&T ILLINOIS signs and follow all applicable parking and traffic laws and ordinances.

3.7 Collocator's Equipment and Facilities

3.7.1 The Collocator is solely responsible for the design, engineering, testing, performance and maintenance of the telecommunications equipment and facilities used in the Dedicated Space. The Collocator will be responsible for servicing, supplying, repairing, installing and maintaining the following within the Dedicated Space or optional Point of Termination (POT) frame located in the common area:

3.7.1.1 its fiber optic cable(s) or other permitted transmission media as specified in Section 9.1;

3.7.1.2 its equipment;

3.7.1.3 required point of termination cross connects in the Dedicated Space or the optional POT Frame/Cabinet located in the Common Area;

3.7.1.4 POT frame maintenance, including replacement power fuses and circuit breaker restoration, to the extent that such fuses and circuit breakers are within the Dedicated Space or in the optional POT Frame/Cabinet located in the Common Area and accessible by the Collocator and only if and as required; and

3.7.1.5 the connection cable and associated equipment which may be required within the Dedicated Space(s) or in the optional POT Frame/Cabinet located in the Common Area to the point(s) of termination.

3.7.2 AT&T ILLINOIS neither accepts nor assumes any responsibility whatsoever in any of the areas so designated in this Section.

3.8 Americans with Disability Act (ADA)

3.8.1 The rates and charges in this Appendix do not include costs for any Americans with Disability Act (ADA) construction generated or caused by the Physical Collocation space request. If required, ADA construction will be provided on an ICB.

3.8.2 If AT&T ILLINOIS is required to upgrade an Eligible Structure, or portion of the structure to comply with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) which arises as a direct result of Collocator's collocation arrangement, AT&T ILLINOIS will prorate the total forward-looking economic cost of the upgrade, and allocate the charge to each Collocator located within the Eligible Structure, based on the total space utilized by each Collocator.

- 3.8.3 Should AT&T ILLINOIS benefit in any way from the ADA upgrades, it shall absorb half of the cost when there is one benefiting Collocator, one-third when there are two (2), and so on.
- 3.8.4 Should AT&T ILLINOIS be the sole beneficiary of an upgrade (e.g., an upgrade would have had to be made regardless of whether or not a Collocator was collocated in the CO), AT&T ILLINOIS shall absorb all of the costs related to such an upgrade.
- 3.9 The rates and charges set forth herein are for Physical Collocation arrangements, while charges for interconnection and access to UNEs are as set forth in the respective sections of this Appendix.

4. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

4.1 Limitation of Liability

- 4.1.1 With respect to any claim or suit for damages arising in connection with the mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors, or defects in transmission occurring either in the course of furnishing service pursuant to the Agreement, the liability of either AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator, if any, shall not exceed an amount equivalent to the proportionate monthly charge to the Collocator for the period during which such mistake, omission, interruption, delay, error, or defect in transmission or service occurs and continues.
- 4.1.2 Neither AT&T ILLINOIS nor the Collocator shall be responsible to the other for any indirect, special, consequential, lost profit or punitive damages, whether in contract or tort.
- 4.1.3 Both AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator shall be indemnified and held harmless by the other against claims and damages by any Third Party arising from provision of the other ones' services or equipment, except those claims and damages directly associated with the provision of services to each other which are governed by the provisioning Party's applicable agreements.
- 4.1.4 The liability of either AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator for its willful misconduct or gross negligence is not limited by this Appendix.

4.2 Third Parties

- 4.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is required by law to provide space in and access to its Eligible Structures to certain other persons or entities ("Others"), which may include competitors of the Collocator; that such space may be close to the Dedicated Space, possibly including space adjacent to the Dedicated Space and with access to the outside of the Dedicated Space within the collocation area; and that if caged, the cage around the Dedicated Space is a permeable boundary that will not prevent the Others from observing or even damaging the Collocator's equipment and facilities.
- 4.2.2 In addition to any other applicable limitation, neither AT&T ILLINOIS nor the Collocator shall have any liability with respect to any act or omission by any Other, regardless of the degree of culpability of any Other, except in instances involving gross negligence or willful actions by either AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator or its agents or employees.

4.3 Force Majeure Events

- 4.3.1 No Party shall be responsible for delays or failures in performance of any part of this Appendix (other than an obligation to make money payments) resulting from acts or occurrences beyond the reasonable control of such Party, including, but not limited to acts of nature, acts of civil or military authority, any law, order, regulation, ordinance of any Governmental Authority, embargoes, epidemics, terrorist acts, riots, insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, hurricanes, floods, work stoppages, power blackouts, volcanic action, other major environmental disturbances, unusually severe weather conditions, or omissions of transportation carriers (individually or collectively, a "Force Majeure Event") or any Delaying Event caused by the other Party or any other circumstances beyond the Party's reasonable control. If a Force Majeure Event shall occur, the Party affected shall give prompt written notice to the other Party of such Force Majeure Event specifying the nature, date of inception and expected duration of such Force Majeure Event, whereupon such obligation or performance shall be suspended to the extent such

Party is affected by such Force Majeure Event during the continuance thereof or be excused from such performance depending on the nature, severity and duration of such Force Majeure Event (and the other Party shall likewise be excused from performance of its obligations to the extent such Party's obligations relate to the performance so interfered with). The affected Party shall use reasonable and diligent efforts to avoid or remove the cause of nonperformance and the Parties shall give like notice and proceed to perform with dispatch once the causes are removed or cease.

4.4 Insurance

4.4.1 Coverage Requirements

4.4.1.1 The Collocator agrees to maintain, at all times, the following minimum insurance coverage and limits and any additional insurance and/or bonds required by law:

4.4.1.1.1 Workers' Compensation insurance with benefits afforded under the laws of the State of AT&T ILLINOIS and Employers Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury-each accident, \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury by disease-policy limits and \$1,000,000 for Bodily Injury by disease-each employee.

4.4.1.1.2 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. Fire Legal Liability sub-limits of \$2,000,000 are required for lease agreements. AT&T ILLINOIS, its affiliates, officers, agents and employees, shall be listed as additional insured on the CLEC's Commercial General Liability policy. A waiver of subrogation shall be in favor of AT&T. The liability policies shall be primary and non-contributory from any insurance that is maintained by AT&T.

4.4.1.1.3 If use of an automobile is required, Automobile Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limits per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, which coverage shall extend to all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles.

4.4.1.1.4 All Risk Property coverage on a full replacement cost basis insuring all of Collocator's personal property situated on or within the Eligible Structure or the Dedicated Space. Collocator releases AT&T ILLINOIS from and waives any and all right of recovery, claim, action or cause of action against AT&T ILLINOIS, its agents, directors, officers, employees, independent contractors, and other representatives for any loss or damage that may occur to equipment or any other personal property belonging to Collocator or located on or in the space at the request of Collocator when such loss or damage is by reason of fire or water or the elements or any other risks that would customarily be included in a standard all risk casualty insurance policy covering such property, regardless of cause or origin, including negligence of AT&T ILLINOIS, its agents, directors, officers, employees, independent contractors, and other representatives.

4.4.1.1.5 Property insurance on Collocator's fixtures and other personal property shall contain a waiver of subrogation against AT&T ILLINOIS, and any rights of Collocator against AT&T ILLINOIS for damage to Collocator's fixtures or personal property are hereby waived. Collocator may also elect to purchase business interruption and contingent business interruption insurance, knowing that AT&T ILLINOIS has no liability for loss of profit or revenues should an interruption of service occur that is attributable to any Physical Collocation arrangement provided under this Appendix.

4.4.1.1.6 AT&T ILLINOIS requires that companies affording insurance coverage have a A VIII or better rating, as rated in the A.M. Best Key rating Guide for Property and Casualty Insurance Companies.

4.4.2 A certificate of insurance stating the types of insurance and policy limits provided the Collocator must be received prior to commencement of any work. The insurance provisions and requirements are reciprocal to AT&T ILLINOIS as well. If a certificate is not received, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the Collocator, and the Collocator will have five (5) business days to cure the deficiency. If the Collocator does not cure the deficiency within five (5) business days, Collocator hereby authorizes AT&T ILLINOIS, and AT&T ILLINOIS may, but is not required to, obtain insurance on behalf of the Collocator as specified herein. AT&T ILLINOIS will invoice Collocator for the costs incurred to so acquire insurance.

4.4.3 The cancellation clause on the certificate of insurance will be amended to read as follows: "SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED OR MATERIALLY CHANGED, THE ISSUING AT&T ILLINOIS WILL MAIL THIRTY (30) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER."

4.4.4 The Collocator shall also require all contractors who may enter the Eligible Structure to maintain the same insurance requirements listed above.

4.5 Self-Insured

4.5.1 Self-insurance in lieu of the insurance requirements listed preceding shall be permitted if the Collocator 1) has a tangible net worth of fifty (50) million dollars or greater, and 2) files a financial statement annually with the Securities and Exchange Commission and/or having a financial strength rating of 4A or 5A assigned by Dun & Bradstreet. The ability to self-insure shall continue so long as the Collocator meets all of the requirements of this Section. If the Collocator subsequently no longer satisfies this Section 4.5.1, Coverage Requirements, shall immediately apply.

5. INDEMNIFICATION OF AT&T ILLINOIS

5.1 Except as otherwise provided herein, the indemnity provisions of the Agreement between AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator shall apply and are incorporated herein by this reference. However, in no event will the provisions in this Section supersede or override the indemnification provisions contained in the Agreement. Additionally, in the event of a conflict between indemnification provisions in the Agreement and this Appendix, the provisions in the Agreement will control.

5.2 Collocator shall indemnify and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS the agents, employees, officers, directors and shareholders of any of them ("Indemnities"), from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, claims, causes of action, fines, penalties, losses, costs, expenses (including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees), damages, injuries, of any kind, (individually and collectively "Liabilities"), including but not limited to, Liabilities as a result of (a) injury to or death of any person; (b) damage to or loss or destruction of any property; or (c) Liabilities related in any manner to employee benefits, workers compensation, payroll tax, and other employer obligations which may be asserted against AT&T ILLINOIS where such liabilities arise in connection with Collocator's use of persons that it classifies as an independent contractor or subcontractor to perform obligations under this Appendix; (d) attachments, liens or claims of material persons or laborers arising out of or resulting from or in connection with this Appendix or the performance of or failure to perform and directly or indirectly caused, in whole or part, by acts of omissions, negligent or otherwise, of Collocator or a contractor or a representative of Collocator or an employee of any one of them, except to the extent such Liabilities arise from the negligence or willful or intentional misconduct of AT&T ILLINOIS or its employees. The provisions in this Section are reciprocal and applicable also to AT&T ILLINOIS.

5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS shall, make reasonable efforts to promptly notify Collocator of any suit or other legal proceeding asserting a claim for Liabilities. Upon request, Collocator shall, at no cost or expense to any Indemnatee, defend any such suit or legal proceeding asserting a claim for Liabilities, and Collocator shall

pay any costs and attorneys' fees that may be incurred by any Indemnitee in connection with any such claim, proceeding or suit. Collocator shall also (a) keep AT&T ILLINOIS and any other Indemnitee subject to any such claim fully informed as to the progress of such defense, and (b) afford AT&T ILLINOIS and such Indemnitee, each at its own expense, an opportunity to participate on an equal basis with Collocator in the defense or settlement of any such claim.

5.4 Casualty Loss

5.4.1 Damage to Dedicated Space

5.4.1.1 If the Dedicated Space is damaged by fire or other casualty that is not the result of the Collocator's actions or those of a Third Party as hereinafter described, and (1) the Dedicated Space is not rendered untenable in whole or in part, AT&T ILLINOIS shall repair the same at its expense (as hereafter limited) and the monthly charge shall not be abated, or (2) the Dedicated Space is rendered untenable in whole or in part and such damage or destruction can be repaired within ninety (90) business days, AT&T ILLINOIS has the option to repair the Dedicated Space at its expense (as hereafter limited) and the monthly charges shall be proportionately abated while the Collocator was deprived of the use. If the Dedicated Space cannot be repaired within ninety (90) business days, or AT&T ILLINOIS opts not to rebuild, then AT&T ILLINOIS shall notify the Collocator within thirty (30) business days following such occurrence that the Collocator's use of the Dedicated Space will terminate as of the date of such damage. Upon the Collocator's election, AT&T ILLINOIS must provide to the Collocator, a comparable substitute collocation arrangement at another mutually agreeable location at the applicable non-recurring charges for that arrangement and location.

5.4.1.2 Any obligation on the part of AT&T ILLINOIS to repair the Dedicated Space shall be limited to repairing, restoring and rebuilding the Dedicated Space as prepared for the Collocator by AT&T ILLINOIS.

5.4.2 Damage to Eligible Structure

5.4.2.1 In the event that the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located shall be so damaged by fire or other casualty that closing, demolition or substantial alteration or reconstruction thereof shall, in AT&T ILLINOIS opinion be advisable, then, notwithstanding that the Dedicated Space may be unaffected thereby, AT&T ILLINOIS, at its option, may terminate services provided via this Appendix by giving the Collocator ten (10) business days prior written notice within thirty (30) business days following the date of such occurrence, if at all possible.

6. SECURITY

6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS may impose the following reasonable security measures on Collocator to assist in protecting its network and equipment from harm. AT&T ILLINOIS may impose security arrangements as stringent as the security arrangements AT&T ILLINOIS maintains at its own Eligible Structures either for its own employees or for authorized contractors. To the extent security arrangements are more stringent for one group than the other, AT&T ILLINOIS may impose the more stringent requirements. Stated differently, the incumbent will not impose discriminatory security requirements that result in increased collocation costs without the concomitant benefit of providing necessary protection of the incumbent's equipment. AT&T ILLINOIS will not use any information collected in the course of implementing or operating security arrangements for any marketing or other purpose in aid of competing with Collocator.

6.1.1 Collocator will conduct background checks of its personnel and technicians who will have access to the collocation space. Such background checks will include but are not to be limited to criminal background checks for offenses involving theft or damage to property, and a check of FBI listings of known or suspected terrorists.

6.1.1.1 Collocator technicians will be security-qualified by the Collocator and will be required to be knowledgeable of AT&T ILLINOIS security standards. Collocator personnel and

technicians will undergo the same level of security training or its equivalent that AT&T ILLINOIS own employees and authorized contractors must undergo. AT&T ILLINOIS will not, however, require Collocator to receive security training from AT&T ILLINOIS, but will provide information to Collocator on the specific type of training required.

6.1.1.2 Collocator can then provide its employees with its own security training. Qualification program and security training details shall be included in AT&T ILLINOIS Technical Publications via <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>.

6.1.1.3 Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS will each establish disciplinary procedures up to and including dismissal or denial of access to the Eligible Structure and other property of AT&T ILLINOIS for certain specified actions that damage, or place the equipment, facilities, or the network or personnel of the Collocator or AT&T ILLINOIS in jeopardy. The following are actions that could damage or place the Eligible Structure, or the network or the personnel of the Collocator or AT&T ILLINOIS in jeopardy and may justify disciplinary action up to and including dismissal or the denial of access to the Eligible Structure and other AT&T ILLINOIS property:

6.1.1.3.1 Theft or destruction of AT&T ILLINOIS or Collocator's property;

6.1.1.3.2 Use/sale or attempted use/sale of alcohol or illegal drugs on AT&T ILLINOIS property;

6.1.1.3.3 Threats or violent acts against other persons on AT&T ILLINOIS property;

6.1.1.3.4 Knowing violations of any local, state or federal law on AT&T ILLINOIS property;

6.1.1.3.5 Permitting unauthorized persons access to AT&T ILLINOIS or Collocator's equipment on AT&T ILLINOIS property; and

6.1.1.3.6 Carrying a weapon on AT&T ILLINOIS property.

In addition, Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS will take appropriate disciplinary steps as determined by each Party to address any violations reported by AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator of AT&T ILLINOIS policies and practices on security, safety, network reliability, and business conduct as defined in AT&T ILLINOIS Interconnector's Collocation Services Handbook <https://clec.sbc.com/clec> for Physical Collocation in AT&T ILLINOIS, provided the Handbook and any and all updates to it are timely provided to Collocator at no charge.

6.1.1.4 Collocator will provide indemnification as set forth in Section 5 of this Appendix and insurance as set forth in Section 4.4 of this Appendix to cover any damages caused by the Collocator's technicians at a level commensurate with the indemnification and insurance provided by AT&T ILLINOIS-authorized contractors with equivalent access. The indemnification provisions and requirements are reciprocal to AT&T ILLINOIS as well.

6.1.1.5 AT&T ILLINOIS may use reasonable security measures to protect its equipment. In the event AT&T ILLINOIS elects to erect an interior security partition in a given Eligible Structure to separate its equipment, AT&T ILLINOIS may recover the costs of the partition in lieu of the costs of other reasonable security measures if the partition costs are lower than the costs of any other reasonable security measure for such Eligible Structure. In no event shall a Collocator be required to pay for both an interior security partition to separate AT&T ILLINOIS equipment in an Eligible Structure and any other reasonable security measure for such Eligible Structure.

6.1.1.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS construction of an interior security partition around its own equipment shall not interfere with a telecommunications carrier's access to its equipment, including equipment collocated directly adjacent to AT&T ILLINOIS equipment. AT&T ILLINOIS construction of an interior security partition around its own equipment shall not impede a telecommunications carrier's ability to collocate within AT&T ILLINOIS space. To the extent that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to install additional security measures within its interior security partition

because a telecommunications carrier has access to its own equipment within the area, such security measures shall be constructed and maintained at AT&T ILLINOIS expense.

6.1.1.5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS enclosure of its own equipment will not be a basis for a claim that space is Legitimately Exhausted, nor will it be a basis for a claim that Active Collocation Space is exhausted.

6.1.1.5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS enclosure of its own equipment will not unreasonably increase a telecommunications carrier's cost nor shall it result in duplicative security costs. The cost of an interior security partition around AT&T ILLINOIS equipment cannot include any embedded costs of any other security measures for the Eligible Structure.

6.1.1.5.4 If AT&T ILLINOIS chooses to enclose its own equipment, AT&T ILLINOIS will be entitled to recover the cost of the cage only to the extent that the price of such construction is lower than that of other reasonable security measures.

6.1.1.5.5 AT&T ILLINOIS has the burden to demonstrate that the cost of security measures alternative to its partitioning of its own equipment is higher than the cost of enclosing its own equipment. If AT&T ILLINOIS cannot prove that other reasonable security methods cost more than an interior security partition around AT&T ILLINOIS equipment, AT&T ILLINOIS cannot elect to erect an interior security partition in a given Eligible Structure to separate its equipment and then recover the cost from Collocators.

6.1.1.5.6 If AT&T ILLINOIS elects to erect an interior security partition and recover the cost, it must demonstrate to the Collocator that other reasonable security methods cost more than an interior security partition around AT&T ILLINOIS equipment at the time the price quote is given.

6.1.1.6 Collocator will have access to its physically collocated equipment twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, without a security escort. AT&T ILLINOIS will not delay a Collocator's entry into an Eligible Structure or access to its collocated equipment. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Collocator with reasonable access to restroom facilities and parking. Collocator will also have reasonable access to Collocator's assigned space during construction.

7. DEDICATED SPACE

7.1 Contact Numbers

7.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is responsible for providing the Collocator personnel a contact number for AT&T ILLINOIS technical personnel who are readily accessible twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. In addition, for all activities requiring verbal and written notification per this Appendix, the Parties will provide the contact numbers included in the application process. Notwithstanding the requirements for contact numbers, the Collocator will have access to its collocated equipment in the Eligible Structure twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week and AT&T ILLINOIS will not delay a Collocator's entry into an Eligible Structure.

7.1.2 The Collocator is responsible for providing to AT&T ILLINOIS personnel a contact number for Collocator technical personnel who are readily accessible twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week AT&T ILLINOIS. In addition, for all activities requiring verbal and written notification per this Appendix, the Parties will provide the contact numbers included in the application process.

7.2 Right-to-Use; Multiple Dedicated Spaces

7.2.1 In accordance with this Appendix, AT&T ILLINOIS grants to the Collocator the right to use a Dedicated Space. Each Dedicated Space within an Eligible Structure will be considered a single Dedicated Space for the application of rates according to this Appendix.

7.3 Trouble Status Reports

7.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator are responsible for making best efforts to provide prompt verbal notification to each other of significant outages or operations problems which could impact or degrade AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator's network, switches or services, with an estimated clearing time to restore service. In addition, AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator will provide written notification within twenty-four (24) hours to each other. When trouble has been identified, AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator is responsible for providing trouble status reports, consistent with this Appendix, when requested by AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator.

7.4 Service Coordination

7.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is responsible for coordinating with the Collocator to ensure that services are installed in accordance with the service request.

7.5 Active/Inactive Space Determination

7.5.1 In its notification regarding whether its request for collocation has been granted or denied AT&T ILLINOIS shall inform the Collocator if the space available for the requested collocation space will be Active Collocation or Inactive Space, as those terms are defined in Section 2 of this Appendix. If the Collocator's space is placed in Inactive Space, then the notification shall also include rationale for placing the requested space in such category, including all power, switching, and other factors used in making the determination.

7.5.2 In the event that the Collocator disputes the AT&T ILLINOIS placement of the space into Inactive Space, then the Collocator may request a tour of the Eligible Structure to verify the Active/Inactive space availability. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide all relevant documentation to the Collocator agent supporting its placement of Collocator's requested collocation arrangement in Inactive Space, subject to executing a non-disclosure agreement at the time of the inspection tour. The request shall be submitted to the AT&T ILLINOIS-designated representative in writing within five (5) business days of notification to Collocator. If the Collocator fails to submit the written request within the eligible time frame, the option for an inspection tour is forfeited. The inspection tour will be scheduled within three (3) business days of receipt of the request for a tour. Any requested tour shall be scheduled to take place no later than seven (7) business days following the request for the inspection tour. At the Collocator's request, the request for inspection tour for determination of Active/Inactive space may be conducted concurrently with a tour involving space availability disputes, as provided in this Appendix, thereby modifying the time frame requirements in this paragraph.

7.5.3 The AT&T ILLINOIS representative will escort one (1) Collocator agent on the inspection tour. If the Collocator agent believes, based on the inspection tour of the Eligible Structure that the placement of the collocation space in Inactive Space is unsupportable, the Collocator agent shall promptly advise AT&T ILLINOIS orally and in writing within five (5) business days of the completion of the inspection tour. The Collocator may dispute the AT&T ILLINOIS findings through the Dispute Resolution Process outlined herein, and the burden of proof shall be on AT&T ILLINOIS to justify the basis for placement of the Collocator's space in Inactive Space. If the Collocator fails to submit the written request within the eligible time frame, it will be assumed that no dispute exists.

7.6 Types of Available Physical Collocation Arrangements

7.6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will make each of the arrangements outlined below available within its Eligible Structures in accordance with this Appendix so that Collocator will have a variety of collocation options from which to choose:

7.6.1.1 Caged Physical Collocation - The Caged Collocation option provides the Collocator with an individual enclosure (not including a top). This enclosure is an area designated by AT&T ILLINOIS within an Eligible Structure to be used by the Collocator for the sole purpose of installing, maintaining and operating the Collocator-provided equipment for the purpose of

interconnection and access to UNEs. Accordingly, AT&T ILLINOIS will not provide Collocator's personnel or agents with direct access to AT&T ILLINOIS' Main Distribution Frame (MDF), with the exception of the AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Vendor.

7.6.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide floor space, floor space site conditioning, cage common systems materials, cage preparation, and safety and security charges in increments of one (1) square foot. For this reason, Collocator will be able to order space and a cage enclosure in amounts as small as that sufficient to house and maintain a single rack or bay of equipment, (i.e., fifty (50) square feet of caged space) and will ensure that the first Collocator in a AT&T ILLINOIS premises will not be responsible for the entire cost of site preparation and security.

7.6.1.2.1 The Collocator must comply with all methods, procedures and guidelines followed by AT&T ILLINOIS in constructing such an arrangement. The Collocator may provide a cage enclosure (which shall not include a top), cable rack and support structure inside the cage, lighting, receptacles, cage grounding, cage sign and door key set. In addition, terms and conditions for contractors performing cage construction activities as set forth in Section 21 following will apply. If the Collocator elects to install or requests that AT&T ILLINOIS provide and install a point of termination (POT) frame in the dedicated collocation area rather than inside its cage.

7.6.1.3 Caged Shared Collocation - AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Caged Shared Collocation as set forth in Section 11 following, "Use by Other Local Service Providers." Two (2) or more Collocators may initially apply at the same time to share a Caged Collocation space as set forth in Section 11.1 following. Charges to each Collocator will be based upon the percentage of total space utilized by each Collocator. Accordingly, AT&T ILLINOIS will not provide Collocator's personnel or agents with direct access to AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame (MDF), with the exception of the AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Vendor.

7.6.1.4 Cageless Collocation - AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Cageless Collocation in any collocation space that is supported by the existing telecommunications infrastructure (Active Collocation Space), or in the event that all such space is exhausted or completely occupied, will provide in any collocation space that requires additional telecommunications infrastructure (Inactive Space), as further defined in Section 2 of this Appendix. Under this arrangement, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide space in single bay increments, including available space adjacent to or next to AT&T ILLINOIS' equipment. Collocator will have direct access to its equipment twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week without need for a security escort AT&T ILLINOIS. AT&T ILLINOIS will not require Collocator to use an intermediate interconnection arrangement (i.e., POT frame). AT&T ILLINOIS may take reasonable steps to protect its own equipment as provided in Section 6 of this Appendix. Accordingly, AT&T ILLINOIS will not provide Collocator's personnel or agents with direct access to AT&T ILLINOIS' Main Distribution Frame (MDF), with the exception of the AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor.

7.6.1.5 Adjacent On-Site Space Collocation – Where Physical Collocation space within AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure is Legitimately Exhausted, as that term is defined in Section 2 of this Appendix, AT&T ILLINOIS will permit Collocator to physically collocate on AT&T ILLINOIS property in adjacent Controlled Environmental Vaults (CEV), Huts, Cabinets, or similar structures that AT&T ILLINOIS uses to house telecommunication equipment, to the extent technically feasible. AT&T ILLINOIS and telecommunications carrier will mutually agree on the location of the designated space on AT&T ILLINOIS premises where the Adjacent Structure will be placed. AT&T ILLINOIS will not unreasonably withhold agreement as to the site desired by Collocator. Safety and maintenance requirements, zoning and other state and local regulations are all reasonable grounds to withhold agreement as to the site desired by the Collocator. AT&T ILLINOIS will offer the following

increments of power to the Adjacent Structure: AT&T ILLINOIS will provide a standard offering of one-hundred (100) amps of AC power to the Adjacent Structure when Central Office Switchboard AC capacity exists. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide DC power within two (2) cable options that allow increments of 2-100 (100A feed and 100B feed) Amp Power Feeds, 2-200 (200A feed and 200B feed) Amp Power Feeds, 2-300 (300A feed and 300B feed) Amp Power Feeds, and 2-400 (400A feed and 400B feed) Amp Power Feeds to the Adjacent Structure from the Central Office Power source. At its option, the Collocator may choose to provide its own AC and DC power to the Adjacent Structure. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Physical Collocation services to such Adjacent Structures, subject to the same requirements as other collocation arrangements in this Appendix. AT&T ILLINOIS shall permit Collocator to place its own equipment, including, but not limited to, copper cables, coaxial cables, fiber cables and telecommunications equipment, in adjacent facilities constructed by either AT&T ILLINOIS or the Collocator. Accordingly, AT&T ILLINOIS will not provide Collocator's personnel or agents with direct access to AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame (MDF), with the exception of the AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor.

7.6.1.5.1 Collocator shall be responsible for securing all required licenses and permits, the required site preparations and shall further retain responsibility for securing and/or constructing the Adjacent Structure and any building and site maintenance associated with the placement of such Adjacent Structure.

7.6.1.5.2 Regeneration is required for collocation in an Adjacent Structure if the cabling distance between the Collocator's POT bay or termination point located in an adjacent structure and AT&T ILLINOIS cross-connect bay exceeds American National Standards Institute, Inc. (ANSI) limitations. Regeneration is not required in any other circumstances except where the Collocator specifically requests regeneration. Required regeneration and Collocator-requested regeneration will be provided at the Collocator's expense.

7.6.1.6 Adjacent Off-Site Arrangement - Where Physical Collocation space within AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure is Legitimately Exhausted, and Collocator's Adjacent On-site space is not within fifty feet (50 ft.) of the Eligible Structure's outside perimeter wall, the Collocator has the option and AT&T ILLINOIS shall permit an Adjacent Structure Off-site Arrangement, to the extent technically feasible.

7.6.1.6.1 The Adjacent Off-site Arrangement is available if the Collocator's site is located on a property that is contiguous to or within one (1) standard city block of the AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office or Eligible Structure.

7.6.1.6.2 Such arrangement shall be used for interconnection and access to UNEs.

7.6.1.6.3 When the Collocator elects to utilize an Adjacent Off-site Arrangement, the Collocator shall provide both the AC and DC power required to operate such facility. The Collocator may provide its own facilities to AT&T ILLINOIS premises or to a mutually agreeable meet point from its Adjacent Off-site location for interconnection purposes. The Collocator may subscribe to facilities available in the UNE rate schedule of the Collocator's Agreement.

7.6.1.6.4 At the time the Collocator requests this arrangement, the Collocator must provide information as to the location of the Adjacent Off-site facility, the proposed method of interconnection, and the time frame needed to complete provisioning of the arrangement. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide a response to Collocator within ten (10) days of receipt of the application, including a price quote, provisioning interval, and confirmation of the manner in which the Adjacent Off-site Facility will be interconnected with AT&T ILLINOIS facilities. AT&T ILLINOIS shall make best efforts to meet the time intervals requested by Collocator and, if it cannot

meet the Collocator's proposed deadline, shall provide detailed reasons, as well as proposed provisioning intervals.

7.6.1.7 In the event that interior space in an Eligible Structure becomes available, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the option to the Collocator to relocate its equipment from an Adjacent On-site or an Adjacent Off-site Facility into the interior space. In the event the Collocator chooses to relocate its equipment into the interior space, appropriate charges applicable for collocation within the Eligible Structure will apply.

7.6.1.8 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide other collocation arrangements that have been demonstrated to be technically feasible. Deployment by any Incumbent LEC of a collocation arrangement gives rise to a rebuttable presumption in favor of a telecommunications carrier seeking collocation in AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structures that such an arrangement is technically feasible.

7.7 Construction Inspections

7.7.1 During the construction of all forms of Physical Collocation space required under this Appendix, Collocator shall be permitted up to four (4) inspections during the construction in an Eligible Structure during normal business hours with a minimum of two (2) hours advance notification. If the construction interval is extended beyond the agreed upon interval, Collocator will be granted two (2) additional visits per thirty (30) day extension. Requests for construction inspections shall be given to the contact number as specified in this Appendix.

7.7.2 Collocator may request that one (1) of its four (4) construction visits take place as an initial walk through and inspection. Within twenty (20) calendar days or mutually agreed upon time, from AT&T ILLINOIS receipt of the confirmatory response in writing for an initial collocation arrangement to continue construction on the Physical Collocation job requested along with the fifty percent (50%) payment of non-recurring charges (unless payment was received with application), Network Sales Support and/or appropriate departments will schedule a walk through visit with the telecommunications carrier and/or vendor to provide floor plans of space and the preliminary route design for the interconnection and power cabling.

7.8 Construction Notification

7.8.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the Collocator prior to the scheduled start dates of all major construction activities (including power additions or modifications) in the general area of the Collocator's Dedicated Space with potential to disrupt the Collocator's services. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide such notification to the Collocator at least twenty (20) business days before the scheduled start date of such major construction activity. AT&T ILLINOIS will inform the Collocator as soon as practicable by telephone of all emergency-related activities that AT&T ILLINOIS or its subcontractors are performing in the general area of the Collocator's Dedicated Space, or in the general area of the AC and DC power plants which support the Collocator's equipment. If possible, notification of any emergency-related activity will be made immediately prior to the start of the activity so that the Collocator may take reasonable actions necessary to protect the Collocator's Dedicated Space.

8. ORDERING, PROVISIONING AND BILLING

8.1 Space Availability Report

8.1.1 So that it may make informed decisions regarding in which AT&T ILLINOIS eligible structures it wishes to collocate, a Telecommunications Carrier may request a Space Availability report prior to its application for Collocation Space within AT&T ILLINOIS eligible structures. The report is available on CLEC Online. Fees for such report are as shown in Collocation Rate Summary.

8.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will submit to a requesting Telecommunications Carrier a report indicating AT&T ILLINOIS available collocation space in a particular AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure upon request AT&T ILLINOIS. This report will specify the amount of collocation space available at each

requested Eligible Structure, the number of Collocators, and any modifications in the use of the space since the last report. The report will also include measures that AT&T ILLINOIS is taking to make additional space available for collocation. The intervals for delivering the reports are as follows:

Number of Report Requests By One Collocator	Report Delivery Interval
1 - 5	10 Calendar Days
6 - 10	15 Calendar Days
11 - 15	20 Calendar Days
16 – 20	25 Calendar Days

8.1.3 Should the Collocator submit twenty-one (21) or more report requests within five (5) business days, the report delivery interval will be increased by five (5) business days for every five (5) additional report requests or fraction thereof.

8.1.4 Space Unavailability Determination and Resolution

8.1.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall notify the Collocator in writing as to whether its request for Physical Collocation has been granted or denied within ten (10) calendar days of submission of the completed application. If AT&T needs more time to continue analyzing certain aspects of the request, AT&T ILLINOIS 10 calendar day notice shall be limited to addressing whether or not AT&T has the requested, or designated alternative, amount of appropriate collocation space.

8.1.4.2 In responding to an application request if space is not available, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the Collocator that its application for Dedicated Space is denied due to the lack of space within ten (10) calendar days of AT&T ILLINOIS receipt of a completed application.

8.1.4.3 The notification will include a possible future space relief date, if applicable. At that time, any non-recurring charges collected with the application, including the Planning Fee, will be returned to the Collocator.

8.1.4.4 AT&T ILLINOIS will file a notice that the Collocator's request was denied with the state Commission as appropriate. In the event of a denial, AT&T ILLINOIS will concurrently submit to both the appropriate Commission and the Collocator, in support of its denial, provided under seal and subject to proprietary protections: Central Office common language identifier, where applicable, the identity of the requesting Collocator, including amount of space requested by the Collocator, the total amount of space at the premises, floor plan documentation as provided for in the Space Availability Determination section of the Interconnector's Collocation Services Handbook <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>, identification of switch turnaround plans and other equipment removal plans and timelines, if any, Central Office rearrangement/expansion plans, if any, and description of other plans, if any, that may relieve space exhaustion.

8.1.4.5 In the event AT&T ILLINOIS denies a Collocator's request and the Collocator disputes the denial, the Collocator may request a tour of the Eligible Structure to verify space availability or the lack thereof. The request shall be submitted to AT&T ILLINOIS designated representative in writing. The inspection tour shall be scheduled within five (5) business days of receipt of the written request for a tour and the tour shall be conducted within ten (10) calendar days of the request or some other mutually agreed on date.

8.1.4.6 Prior to the inspection tour, a "Reciprocal Non-disclosure Agreement" shall be signed by the designated AT&T ILLINOIS representative and the designated agent for the Collocator, who will participate in the tour.

8.1.4.7 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide all relevant documentation to the Collocator agent including blueprints and plans for future facility expansions or enhancements, subject to executing

the non-disclosure agreement. AT&T ILLINOIS representative will accompany and supervise the Collocator agent on the inspection tour.

8.1.4.8 If the Collocator agent believes, based on the inspection tour of the Eligible Structure facilities, that the denial of Physical Collocation space is insupportable, the Collocator agent shall promptly so advise AT&T ILLINOIS. The Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS shall then each concurrently prepare a report detailing its own findings of the inspection tour. The Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS reports shall be concurrently served on each other and submitted to the appropriate Commission no later than forty-five (45) calendar days following the filing of the request for space. The burden of proof shall be on AT&T ILLINOIS to justify the basis for any denial of collocation requests.

8.1.4.9 Legitimately Exhausted. Before AT&T ILLINOIS may make a determination that space in an Eligible Structure is legitimately exhausted, AT&T ILLINOIS must have removed all unused obsolete equipment from the Eligible Structure and made such space available for collocation; however, removal of the equipment shall not cause a delay in AT&T ILLINOIS response to a Collocator's application or in provisioning collocation arrangements. The determination of exhaustion is subject to dispute resolution as provided in Section 8.7 of this Appendix. In making this determination, AT&T ILLINOIS may reserve space for transport equipment for current year plus two (2) years. Additionally, AT&T ILLINOIS may not reserve space for equipment for itself, or advanced or interLATA services affiliates or other affiliates of AT&T ILLINOIS or for future use by AT&T ILLINOIS or its affiliates under conditions that are more favorable than those that apply to other telecommunications carriers seeking to reserve collocation space for their own use. AT&T ILLINOIS may reserve space for Switching, Power, Main Distribution Frame (MDF), and Digital Cross Connect System (DCS) up to anticipated customer growth over a ten (10)-year life expectancy of the ultimate footprint of the equipment.

8.1.5 Application Quotation Interval for Physical Collocation

8.1.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Physical Collocation arrangements in Eligible Structures on a "first-come, first-served" basis. To apply for a Dedicated Space in a particular Eligible Structure, the Collocator will provide a completed Physical Collocation application through the Collocation Application Web Portal or via a paper application form found in AT&T ILLINOIS Interconnector's Collocation Services Handbook (<https://clec.sbc.com/clec>) for Physical Collocation in AT&T ILLINOIS and will pay an initial Planning Fee (see Collocation Rate Summary.) Dedicated Space is not reserved until the quotation is accepted by the Collocator and appropriate fees paid to AT&T ILLINOIS.

8.1.5.1.1A Collocator wishing AT&T ILLINOIS to consider multiple methods for collocation in an Eligible Structure on a single application will need to include in each application a prioritized list of its preferred methods of collocating, e.g., caged, shared, cageless, or other, as well as adequate information, (e.g., specific layout requirements, cage size, number of bays, requirements relative to adjacent bays, etc.) for AT&T ILLINOIS to process the application for each of the preferred methods. If a Collocator provides adequate information and its preferences with its application, AT&T ILLINOIS would not require an additional application, nor would the Collocator be required to restart the quotation interval should its first choice not be available in an Eligible Structure. If Collocator only wishes AT&T ILLINOIS to consider one collocation method, it need not provide preferences and associated specific information for multiple methods. However, if AT&T ILLINOIS is unable to provide the Collocator's requested collocation method due to space constraints the application will be denied and the initial Planning Fee will be returned. If the Collocator determines the alternative method of collocation meets their needs, the Collocator will be required to submit a new collocation application and pay the initial Planning Fee. Upon receipt of the Collocator's application and

initial Planning Fee payment, AT&T ILLINOIS will begin development of the quotation. AT&T ILLINOIS will advise the Collocator in writing of any known deficiencies in its collocation application within ten (10) calendar days (unless multiple applications are received; Section 8.1.5.3 will apply where multiple applications are received). AT&T ILLINOIS will allow the Collocator to retain its place in the collocation queue so long as the Collocator cures the deficiencies and resubmits the application within ten (10) calendar days after being advised of the deficiencies.

8.1.5.2 In responding to an application request, if space is available and all other collocation requirements are met, AT&T ILLINOIS shall advise the Collocator that its request for Physical Collocation is granted, and confirm the applicable non-recurring and recurring rates, and the estimated provisioning interval. AT&T ILLINOIS will not select for Collocator the type of Physical Collocation to be ordered.

8.1.5.2.1 The Collocator has sixty-five (65) calendar days after request for physical collocation is granted to remit a signed confirmation form along with a check for the Planning Fee and fifty percent (50%) of all the applicable non-recurring charges. After sixty-five (65) calendar days, a new application and Planning Fee are required. Space is allocated on a "first come-first served" basis.

8.1.5.3 Should multiple applications be submitted by a Collocator within a ten (10) calendar day period, the following quotation intervals will apply:

Number of Applications by one Collocator	Quotation Interval
1 - 5	10 calendar days
6 - 10	15 calendar days
11 - 15	20 calendar days
16 - 20	25 calendar days

8.1.5.4 Should the Collocator submit twenty-one (21) or more applications within ten (10) calendar days, the response interval will be increased by five (5) business days for every five (5) additional applications or fraction thereof.

8.1.6 Revisions

8.1.6.1 All revisions to an initial request for a Physical Collocation arrangement submitted by the Collocator must be in writing via a new application form.

8.1.6.2 Any major revision to an application will be treated as a new application. A new interval for the Physical Collocation arrangement will be established. A major revision includes, but is not limited to: adding telecommunications equipment that requires additional electrical power; changes in the configuration of the cage; an addition of interconnection cabling; an increase of ten percent (10%) or more of the square footage of the cage area requested; and adding design and engineering requirements above those which AT&T ILLINOIS normally deploys and practices (i.e., redundancy of certain mechanical and electrical systems). The Collocator will be required to pay an additional Planning Fee and applicable non-recurring fees before construction resumes under new intervals.

8.1.6.3 Minor revisions will not require that a new interval be established. Examples of minor revisions include: adding bays of equipment that do not significantly impact the existing/proposed electrical systems; adding light fixtures and outlets which do not exceed the capacity of the existing/proposed electrical system; changes in the configuration of the cage which do not significantly impact the overall design of the space; and adjustments to the heat release projection which do not cause a change in the proposed/existing mechanical system. This list is not all-inclusive. No additional Planning Fees shall be applicable if the revision is minor. All engineering design work that is determined not to be major is deemed to be minor.

8.2 Installation Intervals

8.2.1 Caged Collocation Installation Intervals

8.2.1.1 Dedicated Space for Caged Physical Collocation and Shared Caged Collocation is not reserved until the quotation is accepted by the Collocator. If the available space is not suitable for Central Office equipment (Inactive Space) and must be converted to Active Collocation Space, thirty (30) calendar days will be added to the provisioning interval to allow for the conversion process to be completed. If there are additional problems with the space, AT&T ILLINOIS shall meet the provisioning interval requirements in the waiver granted by the FCC unless the state has different provisions.

8.2.1.2 Dedicated Space is not reserved until AT&T ILLINOIS receipt of the confirmatory response in writing from the Collocator with applicable fees. Where space suitable for Central Office equipment (Active Collocation Space) is available, AT&T ILLINOIS will deliver Caged Physical or Shared Caged Physical Collocation within ninety (90) calendar days from the completion of the application process.

8.2.1.3 Any material revision to a completed application will be treated as a new application following revision guidelines set forth in Section 8.1.6.

8.2.2 Cageless Physical Collocation Installation Intervals

8.2.2.1 Dedicated space for Cageless Physical Collocation is not reserved until the quotation is accepted by the Collocator.

8.2.2.2 Where space suitable for Central Office equipment (Active Central Office Space) is available and the request includes DC power capacity greater than fifty (50) amps (2-50 amp feeds), AT&T ILLINOIS will deliver Cageless Physical Collocation within ninety (90) calendar days from the completion of the application process (when the Collocator has remitted a signed confirmation form along with a check for fifty-percent (50%) of all applicable non-recurring charges).

8.2.2.2.1A shorter interval may apply where Collocator installs all of its own bays (See Section 21 below). If the available space is not suitable for Central Office equipment (Inactive Space) and must be converted to Active Collocation Space, thirty (30) calendar days will be added to the provisioning interval to allow for the conversion process to be completed. If there are additional problems with the space, AT&T ILLINOIS shall meet the provisioning interval requirements in the waiver granted by the FCC unless the state has different provisions.

8.2.2.2.2 The cageless collocation construction interval ends when roughed in, unterminated DC power and interconnection cabling is provided to the Collocator's collocation area.

8.2.2.3 Any material revision to a completed application will be treated as a new application following revision guidelines set forth in Section 8.1.6.

8.2.3 Adjacent Space and Other Physical Collocation Arrangement Installation Intervals

8.2.3.1 Installation Intervals for Adjacent Space Collocation and Other Physical Collocation Arrangements as defined in Sections 7.6.1.5 above will be reasonably related to the complexity of accommodating the requested arrangement.

8.2.3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will complete construction of Cageless Collocation in Eligible Structures such as CEVs, Huts and Vaults in ninety (90) days from the receipt of the Collocator's acceptance of the quotation along with a check for fifty percent (50%) of all applicable non-recurring charges where AT&T ILLINOIS will be installing all or some of the bays, and the Collocator is requesting DC power greater than fifty (50) amps per feed. These construction intervals for Cageless Collocation in Active Collocation Space in a CEV, Hut, or Cabinet Eligible Structure apply where the Collocator is requesting maximum DC power

of fifty (50) amps (2-50 amp feeds). For Cageless Collocation in Active Collocation Space in a CEV, Hut, or Cabinet Eligible Structure where a Collocator is requesting DC power greater than fifty (50) amps per feed, AT&T ILLINOIS will add thirty (30) calendar days to the provisioning interval.

8.2.4 Reduced Interval Augments

8.2.4.1 The intervals set forth in this Section 8.2.4 apply only when AT&T ILLINOIS installs interconnection and power cabling. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide a reduced interval for Collocator with existing Physical Collocation space when it requests the following interconnection augments for that existing space. The Collocator must submit to AT&T ILLINOIS Collocation Service Center (CSC) a complete and accurate application, along with a copy of the payment invoice for a subsequent job. For a reduced build-out interval to apply, this application must include an up-front payment of the non-recurring Planning Fee from the Collocation Rate Summary and fifty percent (50%) of non-recurring charges. In addition, the application must include an accurate front equipment view (a.k.a. rack elevation drawing) specifying bay(s) for the Collocator's point of termination. Applications received with the up-front payment and meeting the criteria below will not require a quote.

8.2.4.1.1A sixty (60) calendar day interval will apply only when the Collocator requests any of the following augments; 1) AT&T ILLINOIS will perform a cage expansion of three hundred (300) square feet or less immediately adjacent to Collocator's existing cage within the collocation area (where Overhead Iron/Racking exists) and as long as the collocation area does not have to be reconfigured and does not involve HVAC work, 2) power cable additions to accommodate greater DC amperage requests within existing power panels, 3) direct cable pull within the same collocation area on the same floor between one Collocator and another Collocator provided the Collocator is interconnected with AT&T ILLINOIS network, 4) interconnection cable arrangements (where Overhead Iron/Racking are existing) limited up to and not more than the following quantities; four-hundred (400) shielded copper cable pairs up to four-hundred (400) feet, one hundred sixty-eight (168) DS1s, 48 DS3s, and fiber interconnections up to twelve (12) fiber pairs up to four hundred (400) feet.

8.2.5 Other Augments

8.2.5.1 Other augments such as power requests that exceed current capacity ratings, additional bay spaces, AT&T ILLINOIS bays, AT&T ILLINOIS cable racks and/or cage expansions within Active Collocation Space different than described above will require the Collocator to submit an inquiry for quote. The price quote will contain the charges and the construction interval for that application.

8.2.5.1.1 The construction interval for these other augments will not exceed ninety (90) days. AT&T ILLINOIS will work cooperatively with Collocator to negotiate a mutually agreeable construction interval for other augments not specifically provided for above.

8.2.5.1.2 The second fifty percent (50%) payment must be received by AT&T ILLINOIS no later than one (1) week prior to the scheduled augment completion date. If all money has been received on the scheduled completion date, the Actual Point of Termination (APOT) Connections will be provided to the Collocator by AT&T ILLINOIS.

8.2.5.1.3 During AT&T ILLINOIS delivery interval, if engineering design work is complete, which includes asbestos removal, HVAC installation, filtration, floor loading, floor preparation, overhead racking placement, and one hundred percent (100%) of the non-recurring charges have been received by AT&T ILLINOIS, Collocator and/or their AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor (s) may request AT&T ILLINOIS to

do work in parallel with AT&T ILLINOIS throughout the remaining delivery interval. The Collocator must obtain an approved Method of Procedures (MOP) from AT&T ILLINOIS and follow AT&T ILLINOIS Technical Publications for installation of equipment and facilities. Security Card requirements in Section 18.3.6 of this Appendix will apply.

8.3 Cancellation Prior to Due Date

8.3.1 In the event that the Collocator cancels its collocation application after AT&T ILLINOIS has begun preparation of the Telecommunications Infrastructure Space and Dedicated Space, but before AT&T ILLINOIS has been paid the entire amounts due under this Appendix, then in addition to other remedies that AT&T ILLINOIS might have, the Collocator shall be liable in the amount equal to the non-recoverable costs less estimated net salvage, the total of which is not to exceed the Preparation Charges. Non-recoverable costs include the non-recoverable cost of equipment and material ordered, provided or used; the non-recoverable cost of installation and removal, including the costs of equipment and material ordered, provided or used; labor; transportation and any other associated costs. Upon Collocator's request, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the Collocator with a detailed invoice showing the costs it incurred associated with preparation.

8.4 Occupancy

8.4.1 Unless there are unusual circumstances, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the Collocator that the Dedicated Space is ready for occupancy within five (5) business days of AT&T ILLINOIS completion of preparation of the Dedicated Space.

8.4.1.1 Upon Collocator's receipt of such notice, AT&T ILLINOIS and the requesting Collocator shall, upon Collocator's request, conduct an acceptance walk-through of such space. The Collocator shall schedule the acceptance walk-through on a mutually agreed upon date within ten (10) Calendar Days of the scheduled Completion date. Any material deviations from mutually agreed application specifications may be noted by Collocator as exceptions, which shall be mutually agreed to as exceptions by AT&T ILLINOIS. These exceptions shall be corrected by AT&T ILLINOIS as soon as commercially reasonable after those exceptions are provided in writing, which exceptions shall be provided no more than five (5) calendar days after the walk-through. The correction of these exceptions shall be at AT&T ILLINOIS expense.

8.4.1.2 Upon completion of such corrections, AT&T ILLINOIS will again notify the Collocator that the Dedicated Space is ready for occupancy and the Parties will, upon Collocator's request, conduct another walk-through as set forth in this Section. If an acceptance walk-through is not timely requested by Collocator, the completion date for the space shall be deemed to be the Delivery Date. If an acceptance walk-through is requested, but no material exceptions are provided at the walk-through, the Delivery Date will be deemed to be the date of the acceptance walk-through. If an acceptance walk-through is requested, and material exceptions are noted at the walk-through, the Delivery Date will be deemed to be the date upon which Collocator accepts all corrections to such exceptions, which acceptance shall not be unreasonably withheld.

8.4.1.3 All charges will begin to accrue on the Effective Billing Date, regardless of any failure by Collocator to complete its work or occupy the space.

8.4.2 Collocator will, whenever possible, place its telecommunications equipment in the Physical Collocation Space within thirty (30) calendar days of space turnover. Operational telecommunications equipment must be placed in the Dedicated Space and interconnect to AT&T ILLINOIS network or obtain access to AT&T ILLINOIS UNEs within one hundred eighty (180) days after receipt of such notice, that AT&T ILLINOIS has completed its work as required by the complete and accurate Collocation application.

- 8.4.2.1 In the event that AT&T ILLINOIS has refused to interconnect with the Collocator, the one hundred eighty (180) day deadline shall be extended until AT&T ILLINOIS allows the Collocator to interconnect. AT&T ILLINOIS, however, may extend beyond the one hundred eighty (180) days provided the Collocator demonstrates a best effort to meet that deadline and shows that circumstances beyond its reasonable control prevented the Collocator from meeting that deadline.
- 8.4.2.2 Orders for additional space will not be accepted until the Collocator's existing Physical Collocation Space in the requested Eligible Structure is "efficiently used" except to the extent the Collocator establishes to AT&T's satisfaction that the Collocator's apparent inefficient use of space is caused by the CLEC holding unused space for future use on the same basis that AT&T holds unused space for future use. Orders for additional Connecting Facility Assignments (CFAs) will not be accepted until the specific CFA type requested (i.e. DS0, DS1, fiber, etc.) in the requested Eligible Structure is "efficiently used."
- 8.4.2.2.1 For purposes of this Appendix, "efficiently used" space means the Collocator is using between sixty (60) and one hundred percent (100%) of the Collocator's existing collocation space arrangement, caged or cageless, in a particular Eligible Structure. The determination as to whether this criterion is met or necessary is solely within the reasonable judgment of AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 8.4.2.2.2 For purposes of this Appendix, "efficiently used" CFA means that at least sixty percent (60%) of the Collocator's specific type of CFA (cable pairs, coaxial or fiber facilities) requested is currently being used for the purpose of interconnecting to AT&T ILLINOIS network for the transmission and routing of telephone exchange service or exchange access. The determination as to whether this criterion is met or the use is necessary is solely within the reasonable judgment of AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 8.4.3 If the Collocator fails to place its equipment in the Dedicated Space per Section 8.4.2 and the unused collocation space is needed to meet customer demand (filed application for space, accompanied by all fees) for another Collocator or to avoid construction of a building addition, collocation in the prepared Dedicated Space is terminated on the tenth (10th) business day after AT&T ILLINOIS provides the Collocator with written notice of such failure and the Collocator does not place operational telecommunications equipment in the Dedicated Space and interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS or obtain access to AT&T ILLINOIS UNEs by that tenth (10th) business day. In any event, the Collocator shall be liable in an amount equal to the unpaid balance of the applicable charges.
- 8.4.4 For purposes of this Section, the Collocator's telecommunications equipment is considered to be operational and interconnected when connected to either AT&T ILLINOIS network or interconnected to another Collocator's equipment that resides within the same structure, provided the Collocator's equipment is used for interconnection with AT&T ILLINOIS network or to obtain access to AT&T ILLINOIS UNEs, for the purpose of providing this service.
- 8.4.5 If the Collocator causes AT&T ILLINOIS to prepare the Dedicated Space and then the Collocator does not use the Dedicated Space (or all the Dedicated Space), the Collocator will pay AT&T ILLINOIS the monthly recurring and other applicable charges as if the Collocator were using the Dedicated Space, until such time as the Collocator submits a complete and accurate decommissioning application, and the decommissioning process is completed as required.
- 8.5 Relocation
- 8.5.1 When AT&T ILLINOIS determines because of zoning changes, condemnation, or government order or regulation that it is necessary for the Dedicated Space to be moved within an Eligible Structure to another Eligible Structure, from an adjacent space collocation structure to a different adjacent space collocation structure, or from an adjacent space collocation structure to an Eligible

Structure, the Collocator is required to move its Dedicated Space or adjacent space collocation structure. AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the resident Collocator(s) in writing within five (5) days of the determination to move the location. If the relocation occurs for reasons other than an emergency, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the resident Collocator(s) with at least one hundred eighty (180) days advance written notice prior to the relocation. If the Collocator is required to relocate under this Section, the Collocator will not be required to pay any application fees associated with the application required for arranging for new space. The Collocator shall be responsible for the costs for the preparation of the new telecommunications equipment space and Dedicated Space at the new location or an adjacent space collocation structure if such relocation arises from circumstances beyond the reasonable control of AT&T ILLINOIS, including zoning changes, condemnation or government order or regulation that makes the continued occupancy or use of the Dedicated Space or the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located or the adjacent space collocation structure for the purpose then used, uneconomical in AT&T ILLINOIS reasonable discretion. In addition, a Collocator's presence in AT&T ILLINOIS Central Offices or adjacent space collocation structures should not prevent AT&T ILLINOIS from making a reasonable business decision regarding building expansions or additions the number of Central Offices required to conduct its business or its locations.

8.5.2 If AT&T ILLINOIS determines that a Collocator must relocate due to any of the above reasons, AT&T ILLINOIS will make all reasonable efforts to minimize disruption of the Collocator's services. In addition, the costs of the move will be shared equally by AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator, unless the Parties agree to a different financial arrangement.

8.5.3 If the Collocator requests that the Dedicated Space be moved within the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located, to another Eligible Structure, from an adjacent space collocation structure to a different adjacent space collocation structure or to an Eligible Structure, AT&T ILLINOIS shall permit the Collocator to relocate the Dedicated Space or adjacent space collocation structure, subject to availability of space and technical feasibility. The Collocator shall be responsible for all applicable charges associated with the move, including the reinstallation of its equipment and facilities and the preparation of the new telecommunications equipment space, and Dedicated Space, or adjacent space collocation structure as applicable. In any such event, the new Dedicated Space shall be deemed the Dedicated Space and the new Eligible Structure (where applicable) shall be deemed the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located and the new adjacent space collocation structure shall be deemed the adjacent space collocation structure.

8.5.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall maintain a publicly available document for viewing on the Internet at <https://clec.sbc.com/clec> indicating its Eligible Structures, if any, that have no space available for Physical Collocation. AT&T ILLINOIS will update this document within ten (10) calendar days of the date at which an Eligible Structure runs out of Physical Collocation space.

8.5.3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will remove obsolete unused equipment from its Eligible Structures that have no space available for Physical Collocation upon reasonable request by a Collocator or upon order of the appropriate Commission. AT&T ILLINOIS shall reserve space for switching, MDF and DCS to accommodate access line growth.

8.6 Early Termination

8.6.1 Payment Upon Expiration or Termination

In the case of the expiration or termination of this Appendix prior to term, or the early termination of any collocation services or arrangement(s), pursuant to Section 8.6.2 of this Appendix AT&T ILLINOIS shall be entitled to full payment within thirty (30) days of such expiration or termination for all services performed and expenses accrued or incurred that AT&T ILLINOIS is entitled to recover under the provisions of this Appendix for establishing such Collocation arrangement prior to such expiration or termination.

- 8.6.2 If Collocator cancels or abandons its collocation space in any of AT&T ILLINOIS central offices before AT&T ILLINOIS has recovered the full cost associated with providing that space to the Collocator, the amount of any such remaining costs shall become immediately due and payable within thirty (30) days after the Collocator abandons that space.
- 8.7 Dispute Resolution
- 8.7.1 Commencing Dispute Resolution
- 8.7.2 Dispute Resolution shall commence upon one Party's receipt of written notice of a controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Appendix or its breach. No Party may pursue any claim unless such written notice has first been given to the other Party. There are three (3) separate Dispute Resolution methods:
- 8.7.2.1 Collocation Service Center and Collocation Account Manager;
- 8.7.2.2 Informal Dispute Resolution; and
- 8.7.2.3 Formal Dispute Resolution, each of which is described below.
- 8.8 Non-billing Dispute
- 8.8.1 In the event of a bona fide dispute between a Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS, Collocator shall include in written notice referenced in Section 8.7.2 above the following information: (a) the Central Office involved in the controversy, (b) the date controversy occurred, (c) detailed description of the controversy, (d) along with any and all documentation from both Parties. Failure to provide the information required by this Section not later than twenty-nine (29) days following the initial submission of the controversy, shall constitute Collocator's irrevocable and full waiver of its right to file a dispute.
- 8.8.2 Upon receipt by AT&T ILLINOIS of written notice of a controversy from Collocator made in accordance with the requirements of Section 8.7.2 of this Appendix, each Party will appoint a knowledgeable, responsible representative to meet and negotiate in good faith to resolve any dispute arising under this Appendix. The location, form, frequency, duration and conclusion of these discussions will be left to the discretion of the representatives. Upon agreement, the representatives may utilize other alternative dispute resolution procedures such as mediation to assist in the negotiations. Discussions and the correspondence among the representatives for purposes of resolution are exempt from discovery and production and will not be admissible in the arbitration described below or in any lawsuit without the concurrence of both Parties. Documents identified in or provided with such communications that were not prepared for purposes of the negotiations are not so exempted, and, if otherwise admissible, may be admitted in evidence in the arbitration or any lawsuit.
- 8.8.3 If the Parties are unable to resolve the controversy through the informal procedure described in Section 8.8.2 of this Appendix, then either Party may invoke the formal dispute resolution procedures described in this Section of this Appendix. Unless agreed by both Parties, formal dispute resolution procedures, including arbitration or other procedures as appropriate, may be invoked not earlier than thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the notice initiating dispute resolution required by Section 8.7.2 of this Appendix and not later than ninety (90) calendar days after receipt of the notice initiating dispute resolution required by Section 8.7.2 of this Appendix.
- 8.9 Billing
- 8.9.1 Billing shall occur once a month, with remittance in full of all bills rendered within thirty (30) calendar days of the bill date. AT&T ILLINOIS may change its billing date practices upon thirty (30) day's notice to the Collocator.
- 8.9.2 Billing Dispute Resolution
- 8.9.2.1 In the event of a bona fide dispute between a Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS regarding any bill for anything ordered from this Appendix, Collocator shall, prior to the Bill Due Date,

give written notice to AT&T ILLINOIS of the amounts it disputes ("Disputed Amounts") and include in such written notice the following information: (a) the date of the bill in question, (b) the Billing Account Number (BAN) number of the bill in question, (c) any USOC information questioned, (d) the amount billed, (e) the amount in question and (f) the reason that Collocator disputes the billed amount. To be deemed a "dispute" under this Section 8.9.2, Collocator must provide proof (in the form of a copy of the executed written agreement with the financial institution) that it has established an interest bearing escrow account that complies with all of the requirements set forth in Section 8.9.3 of this Appendix and proof (in the form of deposit slip(s)) that Collocator has deposited all unpaid charges into that escrow account. Failure to provide the information and proof of compliance and deposit required by this Section not later than twenty-nine (29) days following the Bill Due Date shall constitute Collocator's irrevocable and full waiver of its right to dispute the subject charges.

8.9.3 Third Party Escrow Agent

8.9.3.1 Collocator shall pay all undisputed amounts to AT&T ILLINOIS when due and shall pay all Disputed Amounts when due into an interest bearing escrow account with a Third Party escrow agent mutually agreed upon by the Parties. To be acceptable, the Third Party escrow agent must meet all of the following criteria:

8.9.3.1.1 The financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent must be located within the continental United States;

8.9.3.1.2 The financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent may not be an affiliate of Collocator; and

8.9.3.1.3 The financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent must be authorized to handle Automatic Clearing House (ACH) (credit transactions) (electronic funds) transfers.

8.9.3.1.4 In addition to the foregoing requirements for the Third Party escrow agent, the Collocator and the financial institution proposed as the Third Party escrow agent must enter into a written agreement that the escrow account meets all of the following criteria:

8.9.3.1.5 The escrow account is an interest bearing account;

8.9.3.2 All charges associated with opening and maintaining the escrow account will be borne by the Collocator; that none of the funds deposited into the escrow account or the interest earned thereon may be subjected to the financial institution's charges for serving as the Third Party escrow agent; all interest earned on deposits to the escrow account shall be disbursed to Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS in the same proportion as the principal; and Disbursements from the escrow account shall be limited to those: authorized in writing by both Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS (that is, signature(s) from representative(s) of Collocator only are not sufficient to properly authorize any disbursement); or made in accordance with the final, non-appealable order of the arbitrator appointed pursuant to the provisions of Section 8.9.8 of this Appendix; or made in accordance with the final, non-appealable order of the court that had jurisdiction to enter the arbitrator's award pursuant to Section 8.9.8 of this Appendix.

8.9.4 Disputed Amounts

8.9.4.1 Disputed Amounts in escrow shall be subject to Late Payment Charges as set forth in Section 8.9 of this Appendix.

8.9.5 Investigation Report

8.9.5.1 Upon receipt of the notice and both forms of proof required by Section 8.9.2 of this Appendix, AT&T ILLINOIS shall make an investigation as shall be required to report the

results to the Collocator. Provided that Collocator has furnished all of the information and proof required by Section 8.9.2 on or before the Bill Due Date, AT&T ILLINOIS will report the results of its investigation within sixty (60) calendar days following the Bill Due Date. If the Collocator is not satisfied by the resolution of the billing dispute under this Section 8.9.2 of this Appendix, the Collocator must notify AT&T ILLINOIS in writing within thirty (30) days following receipt of the results of AT&T ILLINOIS investigation that it wishes to invoke the informal resolution of billing disputes afforded under Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix.

8.9.6 Informal Resolution of Billing Disputes

8.9.6.1 Upon receipt by AT&T ILLINOIS of written notice of a billing dispute from Collocator made in accordance with the requirements of Section 8.9.2 of this Appendix, each Party will appoint a knowledgeable, responsible representative to meet and negotiate in good faith to resolve any billing dispute arising under this Appendix. The location, form, frequency, duration and conclusion of these discussions will be left to the discretion of the representatives. Upon agreement, the representatives may utilize other alternative dispute resolution procedures such as mediation to assist in the negotiations. Discussions and the correspondence among the representatives for purposes of resolution are exempt from discovery and production and will not be admissible in the arbitration described below or in any lawsuit without the concurrence of both Parties. Documents identified in or provided with such communications that were not prepared for purposes of the negotiations are not so exempted, and, if otherwise admissible, may be admitted in evidence in the arbitration or any lawsuit.

8.9.7 Formal Resolution of Billing Disputes

8.9.7.1 If the Parties are unable to resolve the billing dispute through the informal procedure described in Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix, then either Party may invoke the formal dispute resolution procedures described in this Section 8.9.7 of this Appendix. Unless agreed by both Parties, formal dispute resolution procedures, including arbitration or other procedures as appropriate, may be invoked not earlier than sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of the notice initiating dispute resolution required by Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix and not later than one hundred eighty (180) calendar days after receipt of the notice initiating dispute resolution required by Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix.

8.9.7.2 Billing Disputes Subject to Mandatory Arbitration - If not settled through informal dispute resolution, each unresolved billing dispute involving one percent (1%) or less of the amounts charged to Collocator under this Appendix during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding receipt of the notice initiating Dispute Resolution required by Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix will be subject to mandatory arbitration in accordance with Section 8.9.8 of this Appendix, below. If the Collocator has not been billed for a minimum of twelve (12) months immediately preceding receipt of the notice initiating Dispute Resolution required by Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix, the Parties will annualize the actual number of months billed.

8.9.7.3 Billing Disputes Subject to Elective Arbitration - If not settled through informal dispute resolution, each unresolved billing dispute involving more than one percent (1%) of the amounts charged to Collocator under this Appendix during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding receipt of the notice initiating Dispute Resolution required by Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix will be subject to elective arbitration pursuant to Section 8.9.8 if, and only if, both Parties agree to arbitration. If the Collocator has not been billed for a minimum of twelve (12) months immediately preceding receipt of the notice initiating Dispute Resolution required by Section 8.9.6 of this Appendix, the Parties will annualize the actual number of months billed. If both Parties do not agree to arbitration, then either Party may proceed with any remedy available to it pursuant to law, equity or agency mechanism.

8.9.8 Arbitration

8.9.8.1 Disputes subject to mandatory or elective arbitration under the provisions of this Appendix will be submitted to a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association or pursuant to such other provider of arbitration services or rules as the Parties may agree. The arbitrator shall be knowledgeable of telecommunications issues. Each arbitration will be held in a mutually agreed upon location. The arbitration hearing will be requested to commence within sixty (60) calendar days of the demand for arbitration.

8.9.8.2 The arbitrator will control the scheduling so as to process the matter expeditiously. The Parties may submit written briefs upon a schedule determined by the arbitrator. The Parties will request that the arbitrator rule on the dispute by issuing a written opinion within thirty (30) calendar days after the close of hearings. The Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. Sections 1-16, not state law, shall govern the arbitration of all disputes. The arbitrator will have no authority to award punitive damages, exemplary damages, consequential damages, multiple damages, or any other damages not measured by the prevailing Party's actual damages, and may not, in any event, make any ruling, finding or award that does not conform to the terms and conditions of this Appendix.

8.9.8.3 The times specified in this Section 8.9.8 may be extended or shortened upon mutual agreement of the Parties or by the arbitrator upon a showing of good cause. Each Party will bear its own costs of these procedures, including attorneys' fees. The Parties will equally split the fees of the arbitration and the arbitrator. The arbitrator's award shall be final and binding and may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The Parties may submit the arbitrator's award to a Commission. Judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction.

8.9.9 Cooperation Between Parties

8.9.9.1 Immediately upon resolution of any billing dispute, AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator shall cooperate to ensure that all of the following actions are taken within the time(s) specified:

8.9.9.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall credit Collocator's bill for any portion of the Disputed Amount(s) resolved in favor of Collocator, together with any portion of any Late Payment Charges assessed with respect thereto no later than the second Bill Due Date after the resolution of the dispute; within fifteen (15) calendar days after resolution of the dispute, any portion of the escrowed Disputed Amounts resolved in favor of the Collocator shall be disbursed to Collocator by the Third Party escrow agent, together with any interest accrued thereon; within fifteen (15) calendar days after resolution of the dispute, any portion of the Disputed Amounts resolved in favor of AT&T ILLINOIS shall be disbursed to AT&T ILLINOIS by the Third Party escrow agent, together with any interest accrued thereon; and no later than the third Bill Due Date after the resolution of the dispute regarding the Disputed Amount(s), the Collocator shall pay AT&T ILLINOIS any difference between the amount of accrued interest AT&T ILLINOIS received from the escrow disbursement and the amount of Late Payment Charges AT&T ILLINOIS billed and is entitled to receive pursuant to Section 8.9 of this Appendix.

8.9.10 Failure to Make Payment

8.9.10.1 Failure by the Collocator to pay any charges determined to be owed to AT&T ILLINOIS within the time specified in Section shall be grounds for immediate re-entry and termination of services provided under this Appendix.

8.10 Late Payment Charge

8.10.1 If the Collocator fails to remit payment for any charges by the Bill Due Date, or if a payment or any portion of a payment is received from Collocator after the Bill Due Date, or if a payment or any

portion of a payment is received in funds which are not immediately available to AT&T ILLINOIS as of the Bill Due Date, then a late payment charge shall be assessed as follows: the unpaid amounts shall accrue interest from the Bill Due Date until paid at the lesser of (i) one and one-half percent (1 ½%) per month and (ii) the highest rate of interest that may be charged under Applicable State Law, compounded daily from the day following the Bill Due Date to and including the date that the payment is actually made and is available.

8.11 Allowances for Interruptions

8.11.1 An interruption period begins when an inoperative condition of a Physical Collocation arrangement is reported to AT&T ILLINOIS designated contact point and ends when the Physical Collocation arrangement is operative and reported to the Collocator's designated contact. A credit allowance will be made to the Collocator where the interruption is due to the actions or negligence of AT&T ILLINOIS.

8.11.2 When a credit allowance does apply, such credit will be determined based on the monthly recurring rates applicable to the specific item(s) causing the interruption; however, the credit allowance for an interruption or for a series of interruptions shall not exceed the applicable monthly recurring rate for the item(s) involved.

8.11.3 For calculating credit allowances, every month is considered to have thirty (30) days. No credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than thirty (30) minutes. The Collocator shall be credited for an interruption of thirty (30) minutes or more at the rate of 1/1440 of the monthly recurring rate.

8.11.4 A credit allowance will not apply to any interruption of the items maintained and repaired by the Collocator or the Collocator's third Party vendor.

9. FIBER OPTIC CABLE AND DEMARCATION POINT

9.1 Fiber Optic Cable Entrances

9.1.1 The Collocator shall use a dielectric fire retardant fiber cable as the transmission medium to the Dedicated Space or, where technically and structurally feasible, may use microwave. Collocation requests utilizing facilities other than fiber will be provided as an Individual Case Basis (ICB). AT&T ILLINOIS will only permit copper or coaxial cable as the transmission medium where the Collocator can demonstrate to AT&T ILLINOIS that use of such cable will not impair AT&T ILLINOIS ability to service its own customers or subsequent Collocators.

9.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide a minimum of two separate points of entry into the Eligible Structure, where applicable, in which the Dedicated Space is located wherever there are at least two entry points for AT&T ILLINOIS cable. AT&T ILLINOIS will also provide nondiscriminatory access to any entry point into Eligible Structures in excess of two (2) points in those locations where AT&T ILLINOIS also has access to more than two such entry points. Where such dual points of entry are not immediately available, AT&T ILLINOIS shall perform work as is necessary to make available such separate points of entry for the Collocator at the same time that it makes such separate points of entry available for itself. In each instance where AT&T ILLINOIS performs such work in order to accommodate its own needs and those specified by the Collocator in the Collocator's written request, the Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS shall share the costs incurred by prorating those costs using the number of cables to be placed in the entry point by both AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator(s).

9.1.3 The Collocator is responsible for bringing its facilities to the entrance manhole(s) designated by AT&T ILLINOIS, and leaving sufficient length of the cable in the manhole for AT&T ILLINOIS to fully extend the Collocator-provided facilities through the cable vault to the Dedicated Space. If Collocator has not left the cable in the manhole within one hundred twenty (120) calendar of the request for entrance fiber, the Collocator's request for entrance fiber will expire and a new request must be submitted along with applicable fees. The Collocator must notify AT&T ILLINOIS no later than fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the end of the 120 day period, for an additional thirty (30) day extension to place cable at the manhole.

9.2 Demarcation Point

9.2.1 The demarcation point is the end of the AT&T ILLINOIS provided interconnection cable at the Collocation arrangement (CDOW- AT&T owned frame location as assigned to the Collocator).

10. USE OF DEDICATED SPACE

10.1 Nature of Use - Collocatable Equipment

10.1.1 In accordance with Section 251(c)(6) of the Act, the Collocator may collocate equipment for Physical Collocation if such equipment is necessary for interconnection to AT&T ILLINOIS under 47.U.S.C. § 251(C) (2) or accessing AT&T ILLINOIS UNEs under 47.U.S.C. § 251(C) (3) of the Act. Such uses are limited to interconnection to AT&T ILLINOIS network "for the transmission and routing of Telephone Exchange service or Exchange Access," or for access to AT&T ILLINOIS UNEs "for the provision of a telecommunications service."

10.1.2 Equipment is necessary for interconnection if an inability to deploy that equipment would, as a practical, economic, or operations matter, preclude the Collocator from obtaining interconnection with AT&T ILLINOIS at a level equal in quality to that which AT&T ILLINOIS obtains within its own network or AT&T ILLINOIS provides to an affiliate, subsidiary, or other party. Equipment is necessary for access to an unbundled network element if an inability to deploy that equipment would, as a practical, economic, or operational matter, preclude the Collocator from obtaining non-discriminatory access to that unbundled network element, including any of its features, functions, or capabilities.

10.1.3 Multi-functional equipment shall be deemed necessary for interconnection or access to an unbundled network element if and only if the primary purpose and function of the equipment, as the Collocator seeks to deploy it, meets either or both of the standards set forth above in this Section. For a piece of equipment to be utilized primarily to obtain equal in quality interconnection or non-discriminatory access to one or more unbundled network elements, there also must be a logical nexus between the additional functions the equipment would perform and the telecommunication services the Collocator seeks to provide to its customers by means of the interconnection or unbundled network element. The collocation of those functions of the equipment that, as stand-alone functions, do not meet either of the standards set forth above in this Section must not cause the equipment to significantly increase the burden of AT&T ILLINOIS property.

10.1.4 AT&T ILLINOIS voluntarily allows Collocator to place ancillary equipment and facilities, including cross-connect and other simple frames, routers, portable test equipment, equipment racks and bays, and other ancillary equipment and facilities on a non-discriminatory basis only if AT&T ILLINOIS and Collocator mutually agree to such placement, in AT&T ILLINOIS premises solely to support and be used with equipment that the Collocator has legitimately collocated in the same premises.

10.1.5 AT&T ILLINOIS does not assume any responsibility for the installation, furnishing, designing, engineering, or performance of the Collocator's equipment and facilities.

10.1.6 When the Collocator's Physical Collocation arrangement is within the Eligible Structure, the Collocator may not provide its own DC power plant equipment (with rectifiers or chargers and batteries) or AC power backup equipment (e.g., Uninterruptable Power System with batteries, or standby engine). AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the necessary backup power to ensure against power outages.

10.1.7 Consistent with the environment of the Dedicated Space, the Collocator shall not use the Dedicated Space for office, retail, or sales purposes. No signage or marking of any kind by the Collocator shall be permitted on the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located or on AT&T ILLINOIS grounds surrounding the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located. The Collocator may place signage and markings on the inside of its dedicated space.

10.2 Equipment List

10.2.1 A list of all the equipment and facilities that the Collocator will place within its Dedicated Space must be included on the application for which the Dedicated Space is prepared including the associated power requirements, floor loading, and heat release of each piece. The Collocator's equipment and facilities shall be compliant with the standards set out in Section 12.1, Minimum Standards, following. The Collocator warrants and represents that the list is complete and accurate, and acknowledges that any incompleteness or inaccuracy would be a violation of the rules and regulations governing this Appendix. The Collocator shall not place or leave any equipment or facilities within the Dedicated Space not included on the list without the express written consent of AT&T ILLINOIS, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

10.2.2 Subsequent Requests to Place Equipment

10.2.2.1 The Collocator shall furnish AT&T ILLINOIS a written list in the form of an attachment to the original equipment list for the subsequent placement of equipment in its Dedicated Space. When the Collocator's equipment is not listed in the approved All Equipment List (AEL) the equipment will be reviewed by AT&T ILLINOIS and written approval or denial of the equipment will be forwarded to the Collocator.

10.2.3 Limitations

10.2.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS obligation to purchase additional plant or equipment, relinquish occupied space or facilities, to undertake the construction of new building quarters or to construct building additions or substantial improvements to the central office infrastructure of existing quarters in order to satisfy a request for space or the placement of additional equipment or facilities by a Collocator, is limited to the extent that AT&T ILLINOIS would undertake such additions, modifications or construction on its own behalf, on behalf of any subsidiary or affiliate, or for any other Party to which it provides interconnection. AT&T ILLINOIS will ensure that the Collocator is provided collocation space at least equal in quality to that provided to AT&T ILLINOIS, its affiliates or other Parties to which it provides interconnection.

10.3 Dedicated Space Use and Access

10.3.1 The Collocator's employees, agents and contractors shall be permitted access to its collocated equipment seven (7) days a week, twenty-four (24) hours a day without a security escort. Collocator shall provide AT&T ILLINOIS with notice at the time of dispatch of its own employee or contractor, to an Eligible Structure and, if possible, no less than thirty (30) minutes notice for a manned structure and sixty (60) minutes notice for an unmanned structure.

10.3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will not delay a Collocator employee's entry into an Eligible Structure containing its collocated equipment or its access to its collocated equipment. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Collocator with reasonable access to restroom facilities and parking. All access is provided subject to compliance by the Collocator's employees, agents and contractors with AT&T ILLINOIS policies and practices pertaining to fire, safety and security (i.e., the Collocator must comply with Section 6 of this Appendix).

10.3.3 The Collocator agrees to comply promptly with all laws, ordinances and regulations affecting the use of the Dedicated Space. Upon the discontinuance of service, the Collocator shall surrender the Dedicated Space or land for an adjacent structure to AT&T ILLINOIS, in the same condition as when first occupied by the Collocator, except for ordinary wear and tear.

10.3.4 AT&T ILLINOIS will not accept delivery of nor responsibility for any correspondence and/or equipment delivered to the Collocator at the Eligible Structure. However, through agreement between AT&T ILLINOIS and the Collocator, a Collocator may make arrangements for receipt and/or securing of its equipment at the Eligible Structure by Collocator's or AT&T ILLINOIS personnel.

10.4 Threat to Personnel, Network or Facilities

10.4.1 Regarding safety, Collocator equipment or operating practices representing a significant demonstrable technical or physical threat to AT&T ILLINOIS personnel, network or facilities, including the Eligible Structure, or those of others are strictly prohibited.

10.5 Interference or Impairment

10.5.1 Regarding safety and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the characteristics and methods of operation of any equipment or facilities placed in the Dedicated Space shall not create hazards for or cause damage to those facilities, the Dedicated Space, or the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located; impair the privacy of any communications carried in, from, or through the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located; or create hazards or cause physical harm to any individual or the public. Any of the foregoing would be in violation of this Appendix.

10.6 Personal Property and Its Removal

10.6.1 In accordance with and subject to the conditions of this Appendix, the Collocator may place or install in or on the Dedicated Space such personal property or fixtures (Property) as it shall deem desirable for the conduct of business. Property placed by the Collocator in the Dedicated Space shall not become a part of the Dedicated Space even if nailed, screwed or otherwise fastened to the Dedicated Space. Such Property must meet AT&T ILLINOIS standards for flame and smoke ratings, e.g., no combustibles. Such Property shall retain its status as personal and may be removed by the Collocator at any time. Any damage caused to the Dedicated Space or land occupied by an adjacent structure by the removal of such Property shall be promptly repaired by the Collocator at its expense pursuant to Section 10.7 following.

10.7 Alterations

10.7.1 In no case shall the Collocator or any person acting through or on behalf of the Collocator make any rearrangement, modification, improvement, addition, repair, or other alteration to the Dedicated Space or the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located without the advance written permission and direction of AT&T ILLINOIS. AT&T ILLINOIS shall consider a modification, improvement, addition, repair or other alteration requested by the Collocator, provided that AT&T ILLINOIS has the right to reject or modify any such request except as required by state or federal regulators. The cost of any AT&T ILLINOIS provided construction shall be paid by the Collocator in accordance with AT&T ILLINOIS custom work order process.

11. USE BY OTHER LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

11.1 Shared Caged Collocation is the sharing of a Caged Physical Collocation space among two (2) or more Collocators within an Eligible Structure pursuant to the terms and conditions agreed to between the Collocators. The AT&T ILLINOIS will make Shared Collocation cages available to all Collocators. In making shared caged arrangements available AT&T ILLINOIS will not increase the cost of site preparation for non-recurring charges above the cost of provisioning such a cage of similar dimensions and material to a single collocating party ordering the same arrangement.

11.1.1 All Collocators, including those who are subleasing the caged space, are bound by the terms and conditions of this Appendix. Subject to the terms in paragraph 10.4, the Collocator shall not assign or otherwise transfer, either in whole or in part, or permit the use of any part of the Dedicated Space by any other person or entity, without the prior written consent of AT&T ILLINOIS, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any purported assignment or transfer made without such consent shall be voidable at the sole discretion of AT&T ILLINOIS.

11.2 A Collocator may request that AT&T ILLINOIS provide Shared Caged Collocation via:

(i) a new request for Physical Collocation whereby the Collocator requesting such space allocates the requested space among the number of Collocators initially requesting such space ("New Shared Collocation"), or

- (ii) a request by Collocator to enter into a sublease arrangement with another Resident Collocators(s) in Collocator's existing Physical Collocation ("Subleased Shared Collocation").
- 11.2.1 Should two (2) or more Collocators have interconnection agreements with AT&T ILLINOIS use a shared collocation cage, AT&T ILLINOIS will permit each Collocator to order UNES to and provision service from that shared collocation space, regardless of which Collocator was the original Collocator.
- 11.2.2 The Primary Collocator shall submit a request and any subsequent order for New Shared Collocation. The Collocator must use a contractor/vendor to perform the necessary preparation activities within the Collocator's Physical Collocation Space including the construction of the cage and any physical security arrangements, if applicable; provided, however, any such contractor/vendor shall be subject to the prior written approval of AT&T ILLINOIS, such Physical Collocation Space preparation activities shall be in accordance with all approved plans and specifications and coordinated with AT&T ILLINOIS, and the Collocator shall be solely responsible for all charges of any such contractor/vendor. The Collocator must provide a cage enclosure (not including a top), cable rack and support structure inside the cage, lighting, receptacles, cage grounding, cage sign and door key set.
- 11.2.3 In each Shared Caged Collocation arrangement, AT&T ILLINOIS single point of contact (SPOC) with respect to such arrangement shall be referred to as the "Primary Collocator". For New Shared Collocation, the Primary Collocator shall be the single Collocator that submits the request for New Shared Collocation on behalf of the other Resident Collocators (as defined below). For Subleased Shared Collocation, the Primary Collocator shall be the Collocator that originally requested and occupied such space and is the sublessor in such arrangement.
- 11.2.3.1 For purposes of this Section, each Collocator (including Resident Collocator(s) and the Primary Collocator) to a Shared Caged Collocation arrangement is sometimes referred to as a "Resident Collocator".
- 11.2.4 An order for Shared Caged Collocation shall include blanket letters of authorization signed by the Primary Collocator that authorize each other Resident Collocator to utilize the Connecting Facility Assignments associated with the Primary Collocator and signed by each Resident Collocator that authorize the Primary Collocator to request and place firm orders for Shared Caged Collocation and facilities on behalf of such Resident Collocators.
- 11.3 New Shared Collocation is available in minimum increments of fifty (50) square feet (per caged space dimensions, not per Collocator). Space totaling less than fifty (50) square feet will be provided where technically feasible. Resident Collocators shall request New Shared Collocation from AT&T ILLINOIS in a single application. AT&T ILLINOIS will prorate the Preparation Charges incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS to condition the space for Collocation use among the Resident Collocators utilizing the New Shared Collocation space, by determining the total preparation charges to make that space available and allocating that charge to each Resident Collocator based on the percentage attributable to each Resident Collocator as provided on the Collocation order by the Primary Collocator, provided that the percentage attributable to the Resident Collocators in a New Shared Collocation space equals in the aggregate one hundred percent (100%). AT&T ILLINOIS will prorate the charge for site conditioning and preparation undertaken to condition the collocation space so the first Collocator in an AT&T ILLINOIS Premise will not be responsible for the entire cost of site preparation. Allocation of Preparation Charges shall occur only upon the initial delivery of New Shared Collocation and AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to adjust such allocation if another Resident Collocator subsequently shares such space. Except with respect to prorated Preparation Charges, AT&T ILLINOIS shall bill only the Primary Collocator for, and the Primary Collocator shall be the primary obligor with respect to the payment of, all charges other than Preparation Charges billed on New Shared Collocation. It is the Primary Collocator's responsibility to recover from each other Resident Collocator such Collocator's proportionate share of such other charges billed to the Primary Collocator for the New Shared Cage Collocation. If Collocator is a Resident Collocator but not the Primary Collocator in a New Shared Collocation arrangement, Collocator agrees that the Primary

Collocator's rates, terms and conditions relating to New Shared Collocation set forth in the Primary Collocator's Section 251/252 agreement under which the Primary Collocator purchases collocation shall apply to its New Shared Collocation arrangement in lieu of those set forth herein. Further, if Collocator is the Primary Collocator in a New Shared Collocation arrangement, as a condition of ordering New Shared Allocation, Collocator shall require its Resident Collocator(s) to execute an agreement prior to the Delivery Date that, inter alia, requires such Resident Collocator(s)' compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions relating to Collocation contained in this Agreement and designates AT&T ILLINOIS as a third party beneficiary of such agreement. Collocator, acting in its capacity as Primary Collocator, shall notify its Resident Collocator(s) of the obligation to comply with this Agreement with respect to the New Shared Collocation arrangement and shall be responsible for any breach of such provisions by the Resident Collocator(s).

- 11.4 For Subleased Shared Collocation, if the Collocator is the Primary Collocator, then that (Primary) Collocator shall be responsible for its and its Resident Collocator's compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Appendix. As a condition to permitting another Collocator to sublease space from Collocator, Collocator shall require such other Collocator(s) to execute a sublease agreement prior to the Delivery Date that, inter alia, requires such Collocator's compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions relating to Collocation contained in this Appendix and designates AT&T ILLINOIS as a third party beneficiary of such agreement. Collocator, acting in its capacity as Primary Collocator, shall notify its Resident Collocator(s) of the obligation to comply with this Appendix relating to Physical Collocation and shall be responsible for any breach of such provisions by the Resident Collocator(s). If Collocator is the sublessee (i.e., not the Primary Collocator) in a Subleased Shared Collocation arrangement, Collocator agrees that Primary Collocator's rates, terms and conditions relating to Subleased Shared Collocations set forth in the Primary Collocator's Section 251/252 agreement shall apply to its Subleased Shared Collocation arrangement in lieu of those set forth herein.
- 11.5 Collocator with which it shares Shared Caged Collocation space shall Collocate equipment only as permitted by Section 8.4.2 of this Appendix and which is necessary to Interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS or for access to AT&T ILLINOIS Unbundled Network Elements. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Collocator access to AT&T ILLINOIS Unbundled Network Elements and permit Collocator to interconnect its network with AT&T ILLINOIS from Shared Caged Collocation, regardless if Collocator was the original Collocator. Collocator, however, shall have no right to request and AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no obligation to provide Collocator's Resident Collocators access to AT&T ILLINOIS Unbundled Network Elements or AT&T ILLINOIS network. Instead, a Resident Collocator's rights shall be as determined by such Resident Collocator's contractual arrangement (Section 251/252 agreement) with AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 11.6 As a condition of entering into Shared Caged Collocation, Collocator agrees that if it is not the Primary Collocator in a New Shared Collocation, or if it is the sublessee in a Subleased Shared Collocation arrangement, it unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes and guarantees AT&T ILLINOIS the prompt and full payment of any charges assessed on the Shared Caged Collocation. If the Primary Collocator in a Shared Caged Collocation arrangement no longer occupies the space, the other Resident Collocators must immediately identify a new Primary Collocator. If only one Collocator remains in the Shared Cage Collocation, that Collocator shall become the Primary Collocator. AT&T ILLINOIS shall bill the new Primary Collocator any applicable charges to change AT&T ILLINOIS records and databases to reflect such new Primary Collocator.
- 11.7 Interconnection to Others
- 11.7.1 Within a contiguous area within the eligible structure, the AT&T ILLINOIS will permit Collocators to construct their own direct connection (cross-connect) facilities to other physical Collocators using copper or optical facilities between collocated equipment located within the same Eligible Structure, subject only to the same reasonable safety requirements that AT&T ILLINOIS imposes on its own equipment. AT&T ILLINOIS shall not require physical-to-physical Collocators to purchase any equipment or cross-connect capabilities solely from AT&T ILLINOIS. If requested by the Collocator, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide only the installation of physical structure(s) and the associated labor necessary for the Collocator(s) to pull its facilities from its equipment space to the

equipment space of another Collocator. However if the Collocators cannot physically pull the cable themselves (i.e. located on different floors), AT&T ILLINOIS will perform the necessary construction on a standard Custom Work Order basis and perform the cable pull. AT&T ILLINOIS (1) will not make any physical connection within the Collocator's dedicated space; (2) will not have any liability for the cable or the connections, or the traffic carried thereon; and (3) will not maintain any records concerning these connections.

- 11.7.2 If a physical Collocator and a virtual Collocator both have purchased dedicated appearances not then in use on a DSX-1 panel, DSX-3 panel, or FDF located within contiguous areas within the eligible structure, then AT&T ILLINOIS will permit the interconnection of physically and virtually collocated equipment by connection of copper or optical facilities to the Collocators' dedicated appearances on the DSX-1 panel, DSX-3 panel, or FDF, subject only to the same reasonable safety requirements that AT&T ILLINOIS imposes on its own equipment. The connections shall be made within ten (10) days of a joint request by the Collocators. At AT&T ILLINOIS option, the connection may be made either by AT&T ILLINOIS or by the Collocators' installers, who shall be on the list of approved installation vendors.

12. STANDARDS

12.1 Minimum Standards

- 12.1.1 All types of network equipment placed in AT&T ILLINOIS network equipment areas of Eligible Structures by AT&T ILLINOIS or Collocator must meet AT&T ILLINOIS minimum safety standards. The minimum safety standards are as follows: (1) Collocator's equipment must meet Telcordia Level 1 safety requirements as set forth in Technical Publication 76200, Network Equipment Building Systems (NEBS); or, (2) Collocator must demonstrate that its equipment has a history of safe operation defined by installation in an ILEC (including AT&T ILLINOIS) prior to January 1, 1998 with no known history of safety problems. The Collocator will be expected to conform to the same accepted procedures and standards utilized by including AT&T ILLINOIS and its contractors when engineering and installing equipment.
- 12.1.2 In the event that AT&T ILLINOIS denied Collocation of Collocator's equipment, citing safety standards, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide within five (5) business days of Collocator's written request to AT&T ILLINOIS representative(s), a list of AT&T ILLINOIS equipment which AT&T ILLINOIS locates within the premises of the Eligible Structure for which Collocation was denied together with an affidavit attesting that all of such AT&T ILLINOIS equipment met or exceeded the same safety standards for which Collocator's equipment was denied.
- 12.1.3 In the event AT&T ILLINOIS believes that collocated equipment is not necessary for interconnection or access to UNEs or determines that the Collocator's equipment does not meet the minimum safety standards, the Collocator must not collocate the equipment unless and until the dispute is resolved in its favor. The Collocator will be given ten (10) business days to comply with the requirements and/or remove the equipment from the collocation space if the equipment was already improperly collocated. Dispute resolution procedures are covered in the Agreement. If the Parties do not resolve the dispute under those dispute resolution procedures, AT&T ILLINOIS or Collocator may file a complaint at the Commission seeking a formal resolution of the dispute. If it is determined that the Collocator's equipment does not meet the minimum safety standards above, the Collocator must not collocate the equipment and will be responsible for removal of the equipment and all resulting damages if the equipment already was collocated improperly.
- 12.1.4 Collocation equipment or operating practices representing a significant demonstrable technical or physical threat to AT&T ILLINOIS personnel, network or facilities, including the Eligible Structure or those of others is strictly prohibited. Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the characteristics and methods of operation of any equipment or facilities placed in the Physical Collocation space shall not create hazards for or cause damage to those facilities, the Physical Collocation space, or the Eligible Structure in which the Physical Collocation space is located;

impair the privacy of any communications carried in, from, or through the Eligible Structure in which the Physical Collocation space is located; or create hazards or cause physical harm to any individual or the public. Any of the foregoing would be in violation of this Appendix. Disputes regarding proper implementation of operating practices or technical standards may be resolved under the standards of Sections 8.7.2 above.

12.2 Compliance Certification

12.2.1 The Collocator also warrants and represents that any equipment or facilities that may be placed in the Dedicated Space pursuant to Section 10.2, Equipment List; Section 10.2.1, Subsequent Requests to Place Equipment, Section 10.2.2; or otherwise, shall be compliant with minimum safety standards set forth in Section 3.4.

13. RE-ENTRY

- 13.1 If the Collocator shall default in performance of any provision herein, and the default shall continue for sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of AT&T ILLINOIS written notice, or if the Collocator is declared bankrupt or insolvent or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, AT&T ILLINOIS may, immediately or at any time thereafter, without notice or demand, enter and repossess the Dedicated Space, expel the Collocator and any claiming under the Collocator, remove the Collocator's property, forcibly if necessary, and services provided pursuant to this Appendix will be terminated without prejudice to any other remedies AT&T ILLINOIS might have.
- 13.2 AT&T ILLINOIS may also refuse additional applications for service and/or refuse to complete any pending orders for additional space or service for the Collocator at any time after sending the notice required by the preceding Section.
- 13.3 In the case of any dispute and at the written request of a Party, each Party will appoint a knowledgeable, responsible representative to meet and negotiate in good faith to resolve any dispute arising under this Appendix. The location, form, frequency, duration, and conclusion of these discussions will be left to the discretion of the representatives. Upon agreement, the representatives may utilize other alternative informal dispute resolution procedures such as mediation to assist in the negotiations. Discussions and the correspondence among the representatives for purposes of settlement are exempt from discovery and production and will not be admissible in the arbitration described below or in any lawsuit without the concurrence of both Parties. Documents identified in or provided with such communications, which are not prepared for purposes of the negotiations, are not so exempted and, if otherwise admissible, may be admitted in evidence in the arbitration or lawsuit. To the extent negotiations do not resolve the dispute, and thirty (30) days have passed since the date of the request for resolution under this Section, Parties may seek more formal dispute resolution procedures.

14. SERVICES AND MAINTENANCE

14.1 Operating Services

14.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall maintain for the Eligible Structure customary building services, utilities (excluding telephone facilities), including janitorial and elevator services, twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. Any business telephone services ordered by the Collocator for its administrative use within its Dedicated Space will be provided in accordance with applicable AT&T ILLINOIS tariffs.

14.2 Maintenance

14.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall maintain the exterior of the Eligible Structure and grounds, and all entrances, stairways, passageways, and exits used by the Collocator to access the Dedicated Space.

14.3 Equipment Staging and Storage

14.3.1 No storage or staging area will be provided outside of the licensed space. Collocation areas may not be used for office administrative space (i.e., filing cabinet, desk, etc.). Fire standards and regulations prohibit the storage of flammable material, e.g., cardboard boxes, paper, packing

material, etc. Safety standards prohibit the storage of chemicals of any kind. (Refer to Interconnector's Guide for Collocation via <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>.)

14.4 Legal Requirements

14.4.1 Except for Section 17, AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to make, at its expense, all changes and additions to the Dedicated Space required by laws, ordinances, orders or regulations of any municipality, county, state or other public authority including the furnishing of required sanitary facilities and fire protection facilities, except fire protection facilities specially required because of the installation of telephone or electronic equipment and fixtures in the Dedicated Space.

15. AT&T ILLINOIS RIGHT OF ACCESS

15.1 AT&T ILLINOIS, its agents, employees, and other AT&T ILLINOIS-authorized persons shall have the right to enter Dedicated Space at any reasonable time on three (3) days advance notice of the time and purpose of the entry to examine its condition, make repairs required to be made by AT&T ILLINOIS hereunder, and for any other purpose deemed reasonable by AT&T ILLINOIS. AT&T ILLINOIS may access the Dedicated Space for purpose of averting any threat of harm imposed by the Collocator or its equipment or facilities upon the operation of AT&T ILLINOIS equipment, facilities and/or personnel located outside of the Dedicated Space without such advance notice; in such case, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the Collocator by telephone of that entry and will leave written notice of entry in the Dedicated Space. If routine inspections are required, they shall be conducted at a mutually agreeable time.

16. PREPARATION CHARGES

- 16.1 Preparation charges apply for preparing the Dedicated Space for use by the Collocator as outlined in this Section. These rates and charges are found in the Collocation Rate Summary.
- 16.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will contract for and perform the construction and other activities underlying the preparation of the Telecommunications Infrastructure Area and Dedicated Space, and any Custom Work Charges using the same or consistent practices that are used by AT&T ILLINOIS for other construction and preparation work performed in the Eligible Structure in which the Dedicated Space is located.
- 16.3 The Collocator will be permitted to contract its own work for the preparation activities within the Collocator's cage including the construction of physical security arrangements. However, any such contractor shall be subject to the approval of AT&T ILLINOIS, such Dedicated Space preparation activities shall be in accordance with all approved plans and specifications and coordinated with AT&T ILLINOIS, and the Collocator shall be solely responsible for all charges of any such contractor. Use of any such contractor shall not nullify the construction interval with respect to the preparation of the Telecommunications Infrastructure Area and Custom Work.

17. CHARGES

17.1 Monthly Charges

17.1.1 The flat-rate monthly recurring charges shall begin the earlier of when the first circuit is turned up or five (5) days after the Collocator has been notified that the preparation of the Dedicated Space is complete, and shall apply each month or fraction thereof that Physical Collocation is provided. For billing purposes, each month is considered to have thirty (30) days. The applicable recurring charges are set forth in the Collocation Rate Summary for use of the Dedicated Space.

17.2 Non-recurring Charges

17.2.1 Non-recurring charges are one-time charges that apply for specific work activity associated with providing Physical Collocation, per request, per Eligible Structure.

17.2.2 With respect to any preparation of the Dedicated Space, the Collocator shall pay AT&T ILLINOIS fifty percent (50%) of the estimated non-recurring charges as specified for in Section 17 and fifty percent (50%) of any Custom Work Charges preceding the commencement of work.

17.2.3 The remaining portion of any Custom Work Charge is due upon completion. The remaining portion of the Preparation Charge shall be paid by the Collocator when the Dedicated Space is complete and prior to occupancy.

17.3 Application of Rates and Charges

17.3.1 Beginning on and after the Effective Date of this agreement, the Parties agree that the rates and charges for Collocation shall be as set forth in this Appendix and in the Pricing Schedule applicable to collocation ("Collocation Rates"). The Parties agree that the Collocation Rates shall apply, on a prospective basis only, beginning on the Effective Date of this agreement, to all existing CLEC collocation arrangements, including those established before the Effective Date [of this agreement. Because the Collocation Rates will apply on a prospective basis only, neither Party shall have a right to retroactive application of the Collocation Rates to any time period before the Effective Date, and there shall be no retroactive right of true-up for any time period before the Effective Date.

17.4 Determination of Charges Not Established in Collocation Rate Summary

17.4.1 Rate Elements - In the event that AT&T ILLINOIS seeks to impose a rate element or charge to a Collocator that is not specifically provided for in this Appendix or in the Pricing Schedule, AT&T ILLINOIS shall be required to provide the quote for the rate element within the same time frames provided for in this Appendix.

17.4.2 In the event the Collocator disputes the rate element or charge proposed by AT&T ILLINOIS that is not specifically provided for in this Appendix or in the Pricing Schedule, the Collocator shall notify AT&T ILLINOIS of its dispute with the proposed charge in writing.

17.5 Custom Work Charges - Custom work may not be charged to Collocator for any work performed which will benefit or be used by AT&T ILLINOIS or other Collocators. AT&T ILLINOIS also may not impose a Custom Work Charge without the Collocator's approval and agreement that the custom work is not included in the provision of collocation as provided for in the rate elements contained in this Appendix. In the event an agreement between the Collocator and AT&T ILLINOIS is not reached regarding the Custom Work Charge, AT&T ILLINOIS shall complete construction of the Collocator's space pending resolution of the issue by the appropriate Commission and the Collocator may withhold payment for the disputed charges while the issue remains unresolved; however, any disputed Custom Work Charges paid by the Collocator or owed to AT&T ILLINOIS shall accrue interest at the rate established by the appropriate Commission. All Custom Work Charges that are approved by the appropriate Commission will be the basis for calculating a refund to a Collocator that has overpaid or the amount due to AT&T ILLINOIS that was not paid or underpaid. These overpaid or underpaid amounts will accrue at the above-stated interest rate on a monthly basis from the date of completion of the work or the date of payment of the disputed amount, as appropriate. In the event that the requested work will benefit all or most Collocators, such work shall not be considered custom work; instead, AT&T ILLINOIS shall file the appropriate interconnection agreement amendment. However, AT&T ILLINOIS shall not delay completion of such work during the agreement approval process. AT&T ILLINOIS shall perform such work based upon provisional rates, subject to true up.

17.6 Extraordinary Charges - Collocator will be responsible for all extraordinary construction costs, incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS to prepare the Collocation space for the installation of Collocator's equipment and for extraordinary costs to maintain the Collocation space for Collocator's equipment on a going-forward basis. Extraordinary costs may include costs for such items as asbestos removal, fire suppression system or containment, modifications or expansion of cable entry facility, increasing the DC power system infrastructure capacity, increasing the capacity of the AC system (if available), or of the existing commercial power facility, installation, maintenance, repair, monitoring of securing measures, conversion of non-Collocation space, or other modifications required by local ordinances. Ordinary costs may become extraordinary by their unusual nature (e.g. volume that is substantially beyond the average or typical Collocation arrangement or request) or its infrequency of occurrence (e.g. construction that will benefit only the requesting Collocator).

17.6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will charge a one-time, non-recurring fee for extraordinary costs on a time-sensitive or time-and-materials basis.

- 17.6.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will allocate the costs fairly among itself, CLEC and other Collocators, as appropriate.
- 17.6.3 An estimate of such costs plus contribution will be provided to the Collocator prior to AT&T ILLINOIS commencing such work. In no case will actual charges exceed those estimated by more than ten (10) percent.
- 17.6.4 AT&T ILLINOIS must advise Collocator if extraordinary costs will be incurred within twenty (20) business days of the Collocator's request for space.
- 17.6.5 Extraordinary costs will only be billed upon receipt of the signed acceptance and construction will not begin until receipt of the Collocator's signed acceptance and payment.

18. RATE REGULATIONS (AT&T ILLINOIS DOES ALL WORK)

- 18.1 The Collocator may elect to have AT&T ILLINOIS provision the collocation site or the Collocator may elect to hire an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor to provision the collocation site per Section 21, CDOW (Collocator Does Own Work).

18.2 Rate Elements

All rates and charges for the following rate elements can be found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

18.2.1 Planning Fees

18.2.1.1 The Planning Fee, as specified in AT&T ILLINOIS Interconnector's Collocation Services Handbook for Physical Collocation in AT&T ILLINOIS, recovers AT&T ILLINOIS costs incurred to estimate the quotation of charges, project management costs, engineering costs, and other related planning activities for the Collocator's request for the Physical Collocation arrangements. The initial Planning Fee will apply to the Collocator's Physical Collocation request. In addition, a non-standard Planning Fee will apply when a request includes DC power requirements other than 2-10, 2-20, 2-30, 2-40, 2-50, or 2-100 Amp power feeds for Caged, Cageless, or Caged Common Collocation, or 2-100, 2-200, 2-300, or 2-400 Amp power feeds for Adjacent On-Site Collocation, or other than integrated ground plane, or when floor space requirements are greater than four hundred (400) square feet. Requests for additions to the initial request, such as the addition of Collocator provided equipment that requires AT&T ILLINOIS to engineer and purchase additional equipment will result in a Subsequent Planning Fee. A major revision to the initial request for Physical Collocation that changes floor space requirements, cable entrance facilities requirements, or changes DC Power Distribution will be considered a total revision and result in the reapplication of an initial Planning Fee. Rates and charges are as found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

18.2.2 Billing for Caged Shared and Caged Common Collocation Arrangements

18.2.2.1 Except for certain charges identified as related to Caged Shared Collocation, each Collocator shall be billed separately and shall be able to order and provision separately. In the case of Caged Shared Collocation, AT&T ILLINOIS shall bill the original Collocator for space. However, AT&T ILLINOIS shall bill the other Collocators in the shared cage for use of Network Elements and interconnection separately as required. Collocators located in a Caged Common Collocation area shall have direct billing arrangements with AT&T ILLINOIS for floor space and all other applicable interconnection arrangements.

18.2.3 Floor Space Charges

18.2.3.1 Caged Collocation

18.2.3.1.1 The Caged Collocation option provides the Collocator with an individual enclosure (not including a top). This enclosure is an area designated by AT&T ILLINOIS within an Eligible Structure to be used by the Collocator for the sole

purpose of installing, maintaining and operating the Collocator-provided equipment.

18.2.3.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Floor Space, floor space site conditioning, Cage Common Systems Materials, Cage Preparation and Safety and Security charges in increments of one (1) square foot. For this reason, Collocator will be able to order space and a cage enclosure in amounts as small as that sufficient to house and maintain a single rack or bay of equipment (i.e., fifty (50) square feet of cage space), and will ensure that the first Collocator in AT&T ILLINOIS premises will not be responsible for the entire cost of site preparation and security. In the case of Caged Shared Collocation, AT&T ILLINOIS shall bill the original Collocator for space. Collocators located in a Caged Common Collocation area shall have direct billing arrangements with AT&T ILLINOIS for floor space and all other applicable interconnection arrangements. When a Collocator constructs its own cage and related equipment, the Collocator will not be subject to the Cage Preparation Charge as set forth in Section 18.2.3.1.4.5 following. See Section 21, CDOW for applicable charges.

18.2.3.1.3 In addition, terms and conditions for contractors performing cage construction activities as set forth in Section 16 preceding will apply.

18.2.3.1.4 If the Collocator elects to install, or requests that AT&T ILLINOIS provide and install a point of termination (POT) frame in the dedicated collocation area rather than inside its cage, the floor space rate for Cageless Collocation found in the Collocation Rate Summary applies.

18.2.3.1.4.1 Eligible Structure Floor Space Charges

Consists of the following elements which are based on the average cost for AT&T ILLINOIS within AT&T ILLINOIS:

- Construction costs
- Operating costs

18.2.3.1.4.2 Site Conditioning Charge, per square foot

Consists of the following and represents costs necessary to condition basic floor space to accommodate telecommunications equipment:

- New floor tile
- General lighting
- House service receptacles
- Exit lights
- Emergency lighting
- Pullbox for fiber optic cable
- Electrical panel for lights and receptacles
- 4" conduit (initial placement) for fiber optic cable from vault to the common pullbox
- Cable slots for routing of power and transmission cables
- Fire-rated partitions where required
- HVAC where not existing
- Demolition work where required

18.2.3.1.4.3 Common Systems Materials Charge

Consists of the following elements per square foot and represents the following charges:

- Installation and maintenance of iron work, racking, and lighting above the cage

18.2.3.1.4.4 Safety and Security, per square foot

This charge represents reasonable costs incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS to secure its equipment contained within Eligible Structure. This charge is expressed as a recurring rate on a per square foot basis and was developed based on implementation of varying combinations of the following security measures and devices. This rate may include only the costs associated with the most cost-effective reasonable method of security, which may consist of a sub set of the following:

- Interior Security Partition separating AT&T ILLINOIS equipment
- Provisioning of door locks and keying of existing doors
- Door access controller and network controller necessary for a card reader system
- Security camera systems
- Locking cabinets for network equipment
- Combination door locks
- Cable locks for computer terminals and test equipment
- Secure ID/password protection for computer systems
- Emergency exit door alarms

18.2.3.1.4.5 Cage Preparation

Consists of the following elements and represents charges unique to the Collocator making the request. Rates and charges are as found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

- Grounded wire partition
- Door key Set
- Lights
- AC Outlet
- Cable rack and support structure inside the cage

18.2.3.2 Cageless Collocation

18.2.3.2.1 The Cageless Collocation charges consists of floor space, bay and aisle lighting and the design and placement of common systems materials in an area designated by AT&T ILLINOIS within an Eligible Structure to be used by the Collocator for the sole purpose of installing, maintaining and operating the Collocator-provided equipment.

18.2.3.2.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Floor Space, floor space site conditioning, Safety and Security, and Common Systems Materials charges per relay rack, bay, or frame. Collocator shall be able to order space in amounts as small as that sufficient to house and maintain a single rack or bay of equipment, (i.e., ten (10) square feet). The first Collocator in AT&T ILLINOIS premises will be responsible only for its pro rata share of the common systems materials, cost of site preparation and security charges. Charges to each Collocator will be based upon the number of frames used by each Collocator.

18.2.3.2.2.1 Floor Space Charges

Consists of the following elements which are based on the average cost for AT&T ILLINOIS within AT&T ILLINOIS:

- Construction costs
- Operating costs

18.2.3.2.2.2 Site Conditioning Charge

Consists of the following and represents costs necessary to condition basic floor space to accommodate telecommunications equipment per rack, bay or frame:

- New floor tile
- General lighting
- House service receptacles
- Exit lights
- Emergency lighting
- Pullbox for fiber optic cable
- Electrical panel for lights and receptacles
- 4" conduit (initial placement) for fiber optic cable from vault to the common pullbox
- Cable slots for routing of power and transmission cables
- Fire-rated partitions where required
- HVAC where not existing
- Demolition work where required

18.2.3.2.2.3 Cageless Common Systems Materials Charge

Consists of the following elements per rack, bay, or frame and represents the following charges:

- Support materials for overhead lighting
- Aisle lighting
- AC electrical access for bay framework
- Central Office ground bar assembly and termination materials
- Extension of Central Office ground cables
- Auxiliary framing for support of cable racking materials
- Horizontal fiber protection duct system
- All associated mounting hardware and fabrication materials

18.2.3.2.2.4 Safety and Security

This charge represents reasonable costs incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS to secure its equipment contained within the used space of the Eligible Structure. This charge is expressed as a recurring rate on a rack, bay, or frame basis and was developed based on implementation of varying combinations of the following security measures and devices:

- Interior Security Partition separating AT&T ILLINOIS equipment
- Provisioning of door locks and keying of existing doors
- Door access controller and network controller necessary for a card reader system
- Security camera systems
- Locking cabinets for network equipment

- Combination door locks
- Cable locks for computer terminals and test equipment
- Secure ID/password protection for computer systems
- Emergency exit door alarm

18.3 DC Power Amperage Charge

18.3.1 This is a monthly recurring charge which is determined by multiplying the per DC amp rate by the total amount of DC amps provided over one of the two power feeds ordered by the Collocator for its power arrangement. By way of example, where Collocator orders DC Power in a 20-amp increment, it will be considered to have ordered two (2) twenty (20)-amp power feeds and AT&T will provision two (2) twenty (20) amp DC power feeds (for a combined total of forty (40) amps), but AT&T shall only bill Collocator the monthly recurring charge applicable to DC Power for a total of twenty (20) amps. The DC power charge per amp consists of the use of: DC power plant, backup generator, batteries & rectifiers, BDFB, associated hardware and cabling, and AC energy to convert to DC power.

18.3.2 Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

18.3.2.1 This monthly recurring charge consists of the elements necessary to provide HVAC within the Eligible Structure to the collocation arrangement and is based on the heat dissipation required for each ten (10) amps of DC Power. This is a monthly recurring charge which is determined by dividing the per each ten (10) amps of DC Power rate by the total amount of DC amps provided over one of the two power feeds ordered by the Collocator for its power arrangement. By way of example, where Collocator orders DC Power in a twenty (20)-amp increment, it will be considered to have ordered two (2) twenty (20)-amp power feeds and AT&T ILLINOIS will provision two (2) twenty (20) amp DC power feeds (for a combined total of forty (40) amps), but AT&T ILLINOIS shall only bill Collocator the monthly recurring charge applicable to HVAC on a total of twenty (20) amps. Charges for this element are specified in the attached pricing schedule.

18.3.3 DC Power Arrangement Provisioning

18.3.3.1 The DC Power Arrangement is the installation of the power cable and the cable rack including support and fabrication material expressed as a combination of a non-recurring and monthly rate for either 2-10 amp, 2-20 amp, 2-30 amp, 2-40 amp, 2-50 amp, or 2-100 amp feeds.

18.3.4 DC Power Panel (Maximum 200 amp) (Optional)

18.3.4.1 At least one (1) DC power panel is required with each application requiring DC Power when designed to provide between 50 and 200 amps per feed of DC current however the Collocator may substitute the required power panel with an equivalent power panel subject to meeting NEBS Level 1 Safety and review by AT&T ILLINOIS technical support. This rate element may be provided by AT&T ILLINOIS.

18.3.5 Eligible Structure Ground Cable Arrangement, Each

18.3.5.1 The ground cable arrangement is the cabling arrangement designed to provide grounding for equipment within the Collocator's Dedicated Space. Separate Ground Cable Arrangements are required for Integrated and Isolated Ground Planes. Isolated Ground Planes require a Ground Cable Arrangement in the Collocator's Dedicated Space.

18.3.6 Security Cards

18.3.6.1 The Security Cards Charge consists of a charge per five (5) new cards or replacement cards, for access cards, and ID cards. Rates and charges are as found in the Collocation Rate Summary. AT&T ILLINOIS will issue access cards and/or ID cards within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of a complete and accurate AT&T Photo ID Card and Electronic Access For Collocators and Associated Contractors form, which is located on the

telecommunications carrier online website <https://clec.sbc.com/clec>. In emergency or other extenuating circumstances (but not in the normal course of business), Collocator may request that the twenty-one (21) day interval be expedited, and AT&T ILLINOIS will issue the access and/or ID cards as soon as reasonably practical. There is an additional charge for expedited requests.

18.3.7 Entrance Facility Conduit to Vault, Per Cable Sheath

18.3.7.1 This rate element describes any reinforced passage or opening placed for the Collocator-provided facility between AT&T ILLINOIS designated manhole and the cable vault of the Eligible Structure.

18.3.8 Entrance Fiber Charge, Per Cable Sheath

18.3.8.1 The Entrance Fiber Charge reflects the time spent by AT&T ILLINOIS in pulling the Collocator's cable facilities from AT&T ILLINOIS designated manhole, through AT&T ILLINOIS cable vault and through AT&T ILLINOIS cable support structure to the Collocator's equipment.

18.3.9 AT&T ILLINOIS to Collocation Interconnection Arrangement Options

18.3.9.1 Collocator will select one or more of the interconnection arrangements listed below.

18.3.9.1.1 DS1 Interconnection Cable Arrangement (DSX or DCS), Each

18.3.9.1.1.1 This sub-element is an AT&T ILLINOIS-provided cable arrangement of twenty-eight (28) DS1 connections per cable arrangement between the Collocator's equipment bay and AT&T ILLINOIS network. This rate element may not be provided by the Collocator. The Collocator will not be permitted access to AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame. If regeneration is required because the cabling distance between the Collocator's termination point located in an Adjacent Structure and AT&T ILLINOIS cross-connect bay exceeds ANSI limitations or where the Collocator specifically requests regeneration, it will be at the Collocator's expense. Regeneration is not required in any other circumstance. Rates and charges are as found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

18.3.9.1.2 DS3 Interconnection Cable Arrangement (DSX or DCS), Each

18.3.9.1.2.1 This sub-element is an AT&T ILLINOIS-provided cable arrangement of one (1) DS3 connection per cable arrangement between the Collocator's equipment bay and AT&T ILLINOIS network. This rate element may not be provided by the Collocator. The Collocator will not be permitted access to AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame. If regeneration is required because the cabling distance between the Collocator's termination point located in an Adjacent Structure and AT&T ILLINOIS cross-connect bay exceeds ANSI limitations or where the Collocator specifically requests regeneration, it will be at the Collocator's expense. Regeneration is not required in any other circumstance. Rates and charges are as found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

18.3.9.1.3 DS0 Voice Grade Interconnection Cable Arrangement, Each

18.3.9.1.3.1 This sub-element is an AT&T ILLINOIS-provided cable arrangement that provides one hundred (100) DS0 copper shielded connections between the Collocator's equipment bay

and AT&T ILLINOIS network. These rate elements may not be provided by the Collocator. The Collocator will not be permitted access to AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame.

18.3.10 Optical Circuit Arrangement

18.3.10.1 This sub-element provides for the cost associated with providing twelve (12) fiber connection arrangements to AT&T ILLINOIS network. This rate element may not be provided by the Collocator. The Collocator will not be permitted access to AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame.

18.3.11 Bits Timing (per circuit) (Optional)

18.3.11.1 An AT&T ILLINOIS provided single signal from AT&T ILLINOIS timing source to provide synchronization between a Collocator's single Network Element and AT&T ILLINOIS equipment.

18.3.12 Timing Interconnection Arrangement (Optional)

18.3.12.1 Timing leads (1 pair of wires) provided by AT&T ILLINOIS to the Collocator's dedicated Physical Collocation space.

18.3.13 Collocation Availability Space Report Fee

18.3.13.1 This rate element provides for costs associated with providing a reporting system and associated reports indicating the amount of collocation space available, the number of Collocators, any modifications in the use of space since the generation of the last available report, and measures that AT&T ILLINOIS is undertaking to make additional space available for collocation.

18.3.14 Pre-visits

18.3.14.1 General Applications

18.3.14.1.1 Prior to submitting an application, the prospective Collocator may elect to arrange with AT&T ILLINOIS to visit an Eligible Structure for the purpose of permitting the Collocator to determine if the structure meets its business needs and if space is available in the structure for the potential Collocator's Physical Collocation arrangement. If the prospective Collocator elects to pre-visit AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structures, the Collocator must submit its request in writing ten (10) business days in advance to the Collocation Account Manager. Pre-visits will be scheduled for a date that is mutually agreeable to both Parties. Prospective Collocator will not be allowed to take photographs, make copies of AT&T ILLINOIS site-specific drawings or make any notations.

18.3.14.1.2 For pre-visits, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide an employee of AT&T ILLINOIS to conduct the pre-visit, unless a different number of AT&T ILLINOIS employees are mutually agreed upon. The Collocator will be billed for the time of the assigned AT&T ILLINOIS employee and not for additional employees not mutually agreed upon to attend the pre-visit. If any travel expenses are incurred, the Collocator will be charged for the time AT&T ILLINOIS employees spend traveling and will be based on fifteen (15)-minute increments.

18.3.15 Construction Inspections

18.3.15.1 The Collocator will be charged for the time AT&T ILLINOIS employees spend during the construction inspection with the Collocator, based on fifteen (15)-minute increments. If any travel expenses are incurred, the Collocator will be charged for the time AT&T ILLINOIS employees spend traveling and will be based on fifteen (15)-minute increments.

18.3.16 Adjacent On-site Structure Arrangements

18.3.16.1 Adjacent On-site Structure Arrangements

18.3.16.1.1 If a Collocator elects to provide an Adjacent On-Site Space Collocation as described in Section 7.6.1.5 preceding, when all available space is Legitimately Exhausted inside AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure, AT&T ILLINOIS will charge Planning Fees to recover the costs incurred to estimate the quotation of charges for the Collocator's Adjacent Space Collocation arrangement request. Rates and charges are found in the Collocation Rate Summary. In addition, should the Collocator elect to have AT&T ILLINOIS provision an extension of DC Power Service from the Eligible Structure to the Adjacent Structure, a DC Power Panel will be required.

18.3.16.2 Adjacent On-site Planning Fee

18.3.16.2.1 An initial Planning Fee will apply when a Collocator is requesting any Interconnection Terminations between the Collocator's Adjacent On-site structure and AT&T ILLINOIS on an initial or subsequent Adjacent On-site collocation application. This fee recovers the design route of the Interconnection Terminations as well as the design route of the power arrangement to the Collocator's Adjacent On-site structure.

18.3.17 Adjacent Off-site Arrangement

18.3.17.1 Adjacent Off-site Structure Arrangements

18.3.17.1.1 If the Collocator elects to provide an Adjacent Off-site Arrangements structure as defined in Section 2. of this Appendix and as described in Section 7.6.1.6 preceding, when all available space is Legitimately Exhausted inside AT&T ILLINOIS Eligible Structure and Collocator's Adjacent On-site Space is not within fifty (50) feet of the Eligible Structure's outside perimeter wall, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the following sub-elements to the extent technically feasible. The Adjacent Off-site Arrangement is available if the Collocator's site is located on a property that is contiguous to or within one standard city block of AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office or Eligible Structure. When the Collocator elects to collocate by Adjacent Off-site Arrangement, the Collocator shall provide both AC and DC Power required to operate such facility. Rates and charges for these sub-elements are found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

18.3.17.2 Planning Fee Adjacent Off-site Arrangement

18.3.17.2.1 Planning Fee will apply when a Collocator is requesting any Interconnection Terminations between the Collocator's Adjacent Off-site structure and AT&T ILLINOIS on an initial or subsequent Adjacent Off-site collocation application. This fee recovers the design route of the Interconnection Terminations to the Collocator's Adjacent Off-site structure. Rates and charges are found in the Collocation Rate Summary.

18.3.18 Conduit Space for Adjacent Off-site Arrangement

18.3.18.1 Any reinforced passage or opening placed for the Collocator provided facility in, on, under/over or through the ground between AT&T ILLINOIS designated manhole and the cable vault of the eligible structure. Rates and charges are as found in the Collocation Rate Summary following.

18.3.19 Two Inch Vertical Mounting space in CEVs, Huts and Cabinets

18.3.19.1 A two-inch vertical mounting space in a standard equipment mounting in a CEV, Hut or cabinet for the placement of equipment. The number of two-inch vertical mounting spaces required is determined by the size of the equipment to be placed plus additional space required for heat dissipation and ventilation of the equipment to be placed in adjacent equipment.

18.3.20 Miscellaneous Charges (Optional)

18.3.20.1 Consists of charges for miscellaneous construction-related items associated with Cageless Pot Bay or cabinet.

18.3.21 Collocation to Collocation Connection

18.3.21.1 This rate element includes physical-to-physical and physical-to-virtual connection options.

18.3.21.1.1 Fiber Cable (12 Fibers)

18.3.21.1.1.1 This rate element is for AT&T ILLINOIS to provide and install direct cabling using fiber cable (12 fiber pairs) between two (2) collocation arrangements at an Eligible Structure expressed as a combination of a non-recurring and recurring rate.

18.3.21.1.2 Copper Cable (28 DS1s)

18.3.21.1.2.1 This rate element is for AT&T ILLINOIS to provide and install for direct cabling using copper cable (28 DS1s) between two (2) collocation arrangements at an Eligible Structure expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate.

18.3.21.1.3 Coax Cable (1 DS3)

18.3.21.1.3.1 This rate element is for AT&T ILLINOIS to provide and install for direct cabling using coaxial cable (1 DS3) between two (2) collocation arrangements at an Eligible Structure expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate.

18.3.21.1.4 Cable Racking and Hole

18.3.21.1.4.1 This sub-element provides for cable rack space for copper, coax and optical cabling between two (2) collocation arrangements and the required terminations at each Physical Collocation arrangement(s) at an Eligible Structure.

18.3.21.1.5 Route Design

18.3.21.1.5.1 This sub-element provides the route design for collocation-to-collocation connections. This sub-element is expressed as a non-recurring charge.

19. COMPLETE SPACE DISCONTINUANCE, SPACE REASSIGNMENT, POWER REDUCTION AND INTERCONNECTION TERMINATION REDUCTION

19.1 This Section provides rates, terms and conditions for Complete Space Discontinuance, Space Reassignment, Power Reduction and Interconnection Termination Reduction.

19.2 Complete Space Discontinuance

The Collocator may discontinue an existing Physical Collocation Arrangement which may include equipment, equipment bays, interconnection facilities (e.g., power, timing, grounding and interconnection cabling) and Collocator infrastructure installed within its Physical Collocation space. The Collocator is required to provide a complete and accurate Physical Collocation Application requesting to discontinue its existing Physical Collocation Arrangement. The Collocator must complete the following activities within thirty (30) calendar days from the day the Physical Collocation application was submitted. If the Collocator is unable to complete the following activities within the designated time frame, the Collocator may request an additional thirty (30) calendar days to complete the activities required and monthly recurring charges will continue through this additional time frame.

- (A) Remove Collocator's equipment bays (relay racks) from the Physical Collocation space, using an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 or Tier 2 Installation/Removal Vendor.
- (B) Remove Collocator's equipment from the Physical Collocation space, using an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 or Tier 2 Installation/Removal Vendor;
- (C) Remove terminations at both ends of cable (e.g. power, timing, grounding, and interconnection) and cut cables up to the AT&T ILLINOIS rack level. Collocator must use an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 or Tier 2 Installation/Removal Vendor for this procedure and that vendor must follow TP76300 guidelines for cutting and capping the cable at the rack level.
- (D) Remove Collocator's entrance cable between the Physical Collocation Arrangement and the first manhole in accordance with the provisions of this Section using an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 or Tier 2 Installation/Removal Vendor;
- (E) Remove Collocator's miscellaneous items from within the Physical Collocation space, using an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 or Tier 2 Installation/Removal Vendor.

19.2.1 For complete space discontinuance, Collocator will not be responsible for repairing floor tile damaged during removal of relay racks and equipment, nor will Collocator be responsible for cable mining (removal). Instead the AT&T ILLINOIS will perform those tasks. Collocator will pay for those tasks through rate elements listed in Section 19.6.

19.2.2 If the Collocator fails to complete the items identified in Section 19.6 within thirty (30) calendar days after discontinuance or termination of the physical collocation arrangement, the AT&T ILLINOIS may complete those items and charge the Collocator for any and all claims, expenses, fees or other costs associated with any such completion by AT&T ILLINOIS, including any materials used and the time spent at the hourly rate for custom work. This work will be performed at the Collocator's risk and expense, and the Collocator will hold AT&T ILLINOIS harmless from the failure to return any equipment, property or other items.

19.2.3 When discontinuance of the Physical Collocation Arrangement involves the removal of fiber entrance cable, the Collocator's AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation/Removal Vendor is only responsible for physically removing entrance cables housed in conduits or inner-ducts and may do so only after the AT&T ILLINOIS confirms that such removal can be accomplished without damaging or endangering other cables contained in a common duct or other equipment residing in the Central Office.

19.3 Space Reassignment

In lieu of submitting an application to discontinue a Physical Collocation Arrangement per Section 19.2, above the Collocator ("Exiting Collocator") may reassign the Physical Collocation Arrangement to another Collocator ("Collocator Assignee") subject to certain terms and conditions outlined below. Any such reassignment of the Physical Collocation Arrangement may not occur without the written consent of AT&T ILLINOIS. In order to request consent to assign a Physical Collocation Arrangement, either the Collocator Assignee or Exiting Collocator may submit a Collocation Application on behalf of both the Exiting Collocator and Collocator Assignee, Space Reassignment shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 19.3.1 Collocator Assignee must, as of the date of submission of the Physical Collocation Application, have an approved ICA or an effective interim ICA.
- 19.3.2 Exiting Collocator will be liable to pay all non-recurring and monthly recurring collocation charges on the Physical Collocation Arrangement to be reassigned until the date the AT&T ILLINOIS turns over the Physical Collocation Arrangement to the Collocator Assignee. Any disputed charges shall be subject to the dispute resolution provisions herein. The AT&T ILLINOIS obligation to turn over the Physical Collocation Arrangement shall not arise until all undisputed charges are paid. Collocator Assignee's obligation to pay monthly recurring charges for a Physical Collocation Arrangement will begin on the date the AT&T ILLINOIS makes available the Physical Collocation Arrangement to the Collocator Assignee.
- 19.3.3 An Exiting Collocator may not reassign Physical Collocation space in a central office where a waiting list exists for Physical Collocation space, unless all Collocator's on the waiting list above the Collocator Assignee decline their position. This prohibition does not apply in the case of an acquisition, merger or complete purchase of the Exiting Collocator's assets.
- 19.3.4 Collocator Assignee will defend and indemnify the AT&T ILLINOIS from any losses, costs (including court costs), claims, damages (including fines, penalties, and criminal or civil judgments and settlements), injuries, liabilities and expenses (including attorneys' fees) if any other person, entity or regulatory authority challenges the reassignment of any Physical Collocation Arrangement(s) or otherwise claims a right to the space subject to the reassignment.
- 19.3.5 Collocator Assignee or the Exiting Collocator shall submit one (1) complete and accurate application for each Physical Collocation Arrangement. By submitting an application for a Physical Collocation Arrangement, Collocator Assignee represents warrants and agrees that it has obtained an executed sale or lease agreement for and holds proper title to all non-AT&T ILLINOIS equipment and other items in or otherwise associated with each Physical Collocation Arrangement. Collocator Assignee further agrees to indemnify and hold the AT&T ILLINOIS harmless from any third-party claims involving allegations that Collocator Assignee does not hold proper title to such non- AT&T ILLINOIS equipment and other items.
- 19.3.6 AT&T ILLINOIS will respond to the Physical Collocation Application within ten (10) calendar days of submission of the completed application, including provision of a price quote. Collocator Assignee must pay one-hundred percent (100%) of all non-recurring charges in the price quote before AT&T ILLINOIS begins to convert the Physical Collocation Arrangement being reassigned. Once Collocator Assignee has paid one-hundred percent (100%) of all such non-recurring charges, the AT&T ILLINOIS shall finish the work to convert the space within thirty (30) calendar days. AT&T ILLINOIS and Collocator Assignee will coordinate all conversion work to insure that the end user customers of Collocator Assignee do not suffer disruptions of service.
- 19.3.7 Collocator Assignee may submit a security application for access to a Physical Collocation Arrangement simultaneously with the Physical Collocation Application. If a completed security application is provided at the time the Collocation Application is filed, the security cards will be made available at the time that the collocation space is turned over. If the security application is not provided at the time that the Collocation Application is filed, then Collocator Assignee may submit a security application for access at any time and the terms and conditions as provided in Section 18.3.6 will apply. In no event will the security cards be provided to the Collocator Assignee before the assigned space is turned over.
- 19.3.8 Collocator Assignee assumes each Physical Collocation Arrangement "as is" which means that AT&T ILLINOIS will make no changes to the Physical Collocation Arrangement, including no changes to power, interconnection and entrance facilities. Any modifications to such Physical Collocation Arrangement by Collocator Assignee must be submitted via a separate augment application (or as otherwise provided by the applicable ICA).
- 19.3.9 This Section 19.3 does not affect any obligations arising outside of this Collocation Agreement.

19.4 Power Reduction

19.4.1 The Collocator may request to decrease the amount of existing power available to a Physical Collocation Arrangement. This can be done either by disconnecting and removing a power cable feed or by replacing the existing fuse with a fuse of a lower breakdown rating on a power cable feed. If the Collocator desires to disconnect a power arrangement (A&B feed), the Collocator will be responsible for paying the costs to remove the A&B power cable feeds that make up the power arrangement. If the Collocator desires to reduce the amperage on a power cable feed, the Collocator will be responsible for paying the costs necessary to change the fuse that serves the A&B feeds at the AT&T ILLINOIS power source. In either case, the Collocator must maintain a minimum amount of power on at least one power arrangement (A&B feed) to service their Physical Collocation Arrangement when submitting their power reduction request. The Collocator shall submit an augment application in order to process this request.

19.4.2 If the Collocator desires to only reduce the fuse capacity on an existing power arrangement (A&B feed) rather than disconnect and remove cable to an existing power arrangement, they may only reduce the fuse size to the lowest power amp increment offered in this Appendix referenced in Section 18.3.3.1. Different minimum amp increments apply for power arrangements fed from either an AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB or a AT&T ILLINOIS Power Plant. When the Collocator is requesting to reduce the fuse capacity only, the fees referenced in Section 19.9 will apply. When the Collocator has only one power arrangement (A&B feed) serving their Physical Collocation Arrangement, a fuse reduction is the only power reduction option available to the Collocator.

19.4.3 When a power reduction request involves a fuse change only on a power arrangement serviced from the AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB (i.e. power arrangements less than or equal to a fifty (50) amp A feed and a fifty (50) amp B feed) the Collocator must hire an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor to coordinate fuse changes at the AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB. Applicable fees referenced in Section 19.9 will still apply. When a power reduction request involves a fuse change on a power arrangement serviced from the AT&T ILLINOIS Power Plant (i.e. power arrangements consisting of a one-hundred (100) amp A feed and a one-hundred (100) amp B feed and above), the AT&T ILLINOIS shall coordinate the fuse changes at the AT&T ILLINOIS Power Plant.

19.4.4 When a power reduction request requires disconnecting and removing a power cable feed from either the AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB or Power Plant, the AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor will perform the power cable removal work above the rack level (cable mining). Applicable fees referenced in Section 19.8 will apply. Within thirty (30) days after submitting its power reduction request to disconnect and remove a power arrangement, the Collocator must perform the following activity:

(A) Remove terminations at both ends of the power cable feed and cut cables up to the AT&T ILLINOIS rack level. Collocator must use a AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation/Removal Vendor for this procedure and that vendor must follow TP76300 guidelines for cutting and capping the cable at the rack level.

19.4.5 When the Collocator has multiple power arrangement serving a Physical Collocation Arrangement (i.e., one power arrangement consisting of fifty (50) amps on the A feed and fifty (50) amps on the B feed and a second power arrangement consisting of twenty (20) amps on the A feed and twenty (20) amps on the B feed), the Collocator has the option of either fusing down the fifty (50) amp power arrangement (A&B feed) or disconnecting and removing the power cable feed from the fifty (50) amp power arrangement (A&B feed). If the Collocator chooses to disconnect and remove the power cable feed from a power arrangement (A&B feed), then the charges referenced in Section 19.8 will apply. If the Collocator has multiple power arrangements (A&B feed) where they can request both a fuse reduction and a power cable removal for one Physical Collocation Arrangement [i.e. reduce one power arrangement from fifty (50) amps (A&B feed) to twenty (20) amps (A&B feed) and remove the power cable from a second power arrangement from fifty (50) amps (A&B feed) to 0 amps (A&B feed)], then the project management fee for power cable

removal referenced in Section 18.8 will apply in addition to the individual charges referenced in either Section 19.8, or 19.9 associated with the overall power reduction request.

- 19.4.6 For any power reduction request (one which involves either a disconnect and removal, re-fusing only, or a combination of the two), the Collocator must submit an augment application for this request along with the appropriate application and project management fees referenced in Section 19.8. The same augment intervals that are outlined in this Appendix for adding power will apply to power reduction requests.

19.5 Interconnection Termination Reduction

- 19.5.1 The Collocator may request a reduction of the existing amount of interconnection terminations that service a Physical Collocation Arrangement. The Collocator shall submit an augment application in order to process this request. The Collocator must maintain at least one minimum interconnection arrangement increment authorized in Sections 18.3.9.1.1.1, 18.3.9.1.2.1, 18.3.9.1.3.1 or 18.3.10. The same augment intervals that are outlined in this Appendix for adding interconnection terminations will apply to interconnection termination reductions.

- 19.5.2 Interconnection termination reduction requests will always require the disconnection and removal of interconnection cable. The AT&T ILLINOIS will perform the interconnection cable removal work above the rack level (cable mining). Applicable fees referenced in Section 19.10 will apply. Within thirty (30) days after submitting its interconnection termination reduction request to disconnect and remove an interconnection arrangement from its Physical Collocation Arrangement, the Collocator must perform the following activity:

- (A) Remove terminations at both ends of the interconnection cable and cut cables up to AT&T ILLINOIS rack level. Collocator must use an AT&T ILLINOIS approved Tier 1 Installation/Removal Vendor for this procedure and that vendor must follow TP76300 guidelines for cutting and capping the cable at the rack level.

19.6 Rate Element Descriptions for Complete Space Discontinuance

- (A) Application Fee - The charge assessed by the AT&T ILLINOIS to process the Collocator's application for Physical Collocation Arrangements.
- (B) Project Management Fee - Complete Space Discontinuance - Reflects the AT&T ILLINOIS labor costs to project manage the complete discontinuance of the Collocator's space. The labor costs include the AT&T ILLINOIS engineering and real estate costs for planning design of floor tile restoration, interconnection, power and entrance cable removal, stenciling, floor plans, and DC power records.
- (C) Remove Fiber Jumpers - Remove four fiber jumpers from the fiber protection system raceway.
- (D) Remove Fiber Cables - Remove fiber cable sheaths (1-216 fibers) on dedicated fiber racking. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, waxed cable cord/twine, gray paint for removing plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (E) Remove VF/DS0 Cable - Remove cable sheaths totaling one hundred (100) pairs and each one hundred (100) pair connecting block from the MDF or IDF. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, gray paint for removing stenciling on frame, fire stop material, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering order, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (F) Remove DS1 Cable - Remove two sheaths, on transmit and one receive, comprising of a total of twenty-eight (28) DS1 circuits to an existing DSX1 panel. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, blank labels for DSX shelf, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering job order, yellow job wallet, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.

- (G) Remove DS3 Cable (Coax) - Remove two (2) coax cables per DS3 circuit to an existing DSX3 panel. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, fire stop material, blank labels for DSX shelf, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering order, yellow job wallet, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (H) Remove Timing Cable -- Remove a single timing lead (P7 wire). Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, CO timing book sheet, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering order, yellow job wallet, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (I) Remove Power Cable - Distribution from the AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB (sixty (60) amp A feed and sixty (60) amp B feed and below power arrangements) -- Remove four (4) power cables, including fuses and fuse panel. Removal activity also requires all costs associated with the power cable removal, packing and shipping, removing stenciling from BDFB, and updating documents as required.
- (J) Remove Power Cable - Distribution from the AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board (100 amp A feed and 100 amp B feed & above) - Remove 750 MCM cable (4 runs @ 180 feet), and remove and junk fuses and power panel. Removal activity also requires cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, gray paint for removing stenciling on Power Board, fire stop material, blank labels for BDFB, yellow job wallet, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering order, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (K) Remove Cage Grounding Material - Remove collocation cage grounding lead and ground bar. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, yellow job wallet, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering order, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (L) Remove Fiber Entrance Cable - Remove fiber entrance cable from 1st manhole closest to the Central Office through cable vault to its endpoint termination in the collocation space (average 300' of cable). Removal activity also requires infrastructure maps and records, engineering work order, pump/ventilate manhole, safety inspection and removal of safety hazards, fire stops, and mechanized cable pulling tools.
- (M) Restore Floor Tile - Standard Bay - Remove floor tile and Drive Anchors Flush with Floor Slab, install 547 Floor Patch, apply floor adhesive, and install Vinyl Composite Floor Tile (VCT). Clean and Wax Floor Tile, abatement of asbestos containing Floor Tile, and Air Monitoring for Abatement.
- (N) Restore Floor Tile -- Non-Standard Bay - Remove floor tile and Drive Anchors Flush with Floor Slab, install 547 Floor Patch, apply floor adhesive, and install Vinyl Composite Floor Tile (VCT). Clean and Wax Floor Tile, abatement of asbestos containing Floor Tile, and Air Monitoring for Abatement.

Note 1 for Material: Cable scrap boxes are designed for cable cut into three (3) foot lengths. This box is capable of handling 1000 pounds of weight, supporting forklift forks or floor jack lifts, moisture resistant, puncture resistant, and designed to be loaded into railroad cars for shipping.

19.7 Rate Element Descriptions for Space Reassignment

- (A) Application Fee - The charge assessed by AT&T ILLINOIS to process the Collocator's application for Physical Collocation Arrangements.
- (B) Project Management Fee - Space Reassignment/Restenciling - This fee applies to Space Reassignment request when a "Collocator Assignee" chooses to assign the rights to a Physical Collocation Arrangement from an "Exiting Collocator." The charge reflects the AT&T ILLINOIS labor costs to project manage the changes/removals and update Central Office inventory/provisioning records, stenciling, floor plans, and DC power records associated with serving the Physical Collocation Arrangement.
- (C) Restencil DS0/DSL Block - The charge to remove/change stenciling on MDF or IDF per one hundred (100) pair blocks.

- (D) Restencil DS1 Block - The charge to remove/change stenciling on DSX1 panel per twenty-eight (28) DS1s.
- (E) Restencil DS3 Block - The charge to remove/change stenciling on DSX3 panel per DS3.
- (F) Restencil Fiber Cable Block - The charge to remove/change stenciling on FDF per twelve (12) pair cable.
- (G) Restencil Fiber Jumper Block - The charge to remove/change stenciling on FDF per four (4) fiber jumpers.
- (H) Restencil Power - The charge to remove/change stenciling on power source and tag power cables per one to four (1-4) fuses.
- (I) Restencil Timing - The charge to remove/change stenciling on timing source and tag timing cables per two (2) cable feeds.
- (J) Timing Record Book Update - The charge to update timing records when changes/removals occur.
- (K) Interconnection Records Update - The charge to update interconnection records when changes/removals occur.
- (L) Power Records Update - The charge to update power records when changes/removals occur.
- (M) Vendor Engineering - The labor costs for AT&T ILLINOIS Tier 1 Installation/Removal Vendor to write the specifications to perform the restenciling job including travel time and site visit.

19.8 Rate Element Descriptions for Power Reduction (cable removal)

- (A) Application Fee - The charge assessed by the AT&T ILLINOIS to process the Collocator's application for Physical Collocation Arrangements.
- (B) Project Management Fee - Power Reduction (cable removal) - Reflects AT&T ILLINOIS labor costs to manage the removal of the individual Collocator's power cable facilities used for or associated with serving the Physical Collocation Arrangement.
- (C) Remove Power Cable - Distribution from AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB (50 amp A feed and 50 amp B feed and below power arrangements) - Remove four (4) power cables, including fuses and fuse panel. Removal activity also requires all costs associated with the power cable removal, packing and shipping, removing stenciling from BDFB, and updating documents as required.
- (D) Remove Power Cable - Distribution from AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board (100 amp A feed and 100 amp B feed and above) - Remove four (4) power cables, including fuses and fuse panel. Removal activity also requires all costs associated with the power cable removal, packing and shipping, removing stenciling from Power Board, and updating documents as required.

19.9 Rate Element Descriptions for Power Reduction (re-fusing only)

- (A) Application Fee - The charge assessed by AT&T ILLINOIS to process the Collocator's application for Physical Collocation Arrangements.
- (B) Project Management Fee - Power Re-Fusing Only at AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB (50 amp A feed and 50 amp B feed & below power arrangements) - Reflects AT&T ILLINOIS labor costs to project manage the change of the power re-fusing change on the Collocator's power services associated with serving the Physical Collocation Arrangement when power fuses are being reduced at AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB. This fee is applicable when the Collocator is coordinating the fuse reduction at AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB.
- (C) Project Management Fee - Power Re-Fusing Only at AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board (100 amp A feed and 100 amp B feed and above power arrangements) - Reflects the AT&T ILLINOIS labor costs to project manage the change of the individual Collocator's power services associated with serving the Physical Collocation Arrangement when power fuses are being reduced at AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board. This fee is applicable when AT&T ILLINOIS is coordinating the fuse reduction at AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board.

- (D) Power Fuse Reductions on AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB (50 amp A feed and 50 amp B feed and below power arrangements) - The charge for AT&T ILLINOIS to tag cables and update Central Office power records associated with the fuse change on the AT&T ILLINOIS BDFB per one to four (1-4) fuses. This fee applies when the Collocator performs the fuse change at the BDFB.
- (E) Power Fuse Reductions on AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board (100 amp A feed and 100 amp B feed and above power arrangements) - The charge for AT&T ILLINOIS to change the fuse at AT&T ILLINOIS power board, tag cables and update Central Office power records associated with fuse change on AT&T ILLINOIS Power Board per one to four (1-4) fuses.

19.10 Rate Element Descriptions for Interconnection Termination Reduction

- (A) Application Fee - The charge assessed by AT&T ILLINOIS to process the Collocator's application for Physical Collocation Arrangements.
- (B) Project Management Fee - Interconnection Termination Reduction - The charge reflects AT&T ILLINOIS labor costs to project manage the removal of the interconnection cabling and update the interconnection block stenciling, Central Office and inventory/provisioning records associated with serving the Physical Collocation Arrangement.
- (C) Remove VF/DS0 Cable - Remove cable sheaths totaling one hundred (100) pairs and each one hundred (100) pair connecting block from the AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame to the Physical Collocation Arrangement.
- (D) Remove DS1 Cable - Remove two (2) sheaths, on transmit and one receive, comprising of a total of twenty-eight (28) DS1 circuits to an existing DSX1 panel. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, blank labels for DSX shelf, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering job order, yellow job wallet, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (E) Remove DS3 Cable (Coax) - Remove two (2) coax cables per DS3 circuit to an existing DSX3 panel. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, heat shrink wrap, waxed cable cord/twine, fire stop material, blank labels for DSX shelf, 8.5"x11" paper for engineering order, yellow job wallet, plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (F) Remove Fiber Cables - Remove fiber cable sheaths (1-216 fibers) on dedicated fiber racking. Typical material includes cable scrap boxes (see Note 1 below), adjacent equipment protection material, waxed cable cord/twine, gray paint for removing plotter paper for Central Office drawings and transportation and taxes as appropriate.
- (G) Remove Fiber Jumpers - Remove four fiber jumpers from the fiber protection system raceway.

20. RATES AND CHARGES – AT&T 13STATE PRICING SCHEDULE (See the Collocation Rate Summary)

21. CDOW (COLLOCATOR DOES OWN WORK) - COLLOCATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- 21.1 The Collocator may elect to provision the collocation site or the Collocator may elect to hire AT&T ILLINOIS to provision the collocation site per previous Sections.
- 21.2 When the Collocator selects the option to provide, install, and terminate its interconnection and power cabling with an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor, the following Sections will apply. However, the terms and conditions within CDOW are not comprehensive. There are terms and conditions from the preceding Sections of this same Appendix that still apply for CDOW for rate elements that are not specifically addressed within the Collocation Rate Summary.
- 21.3 The Collocator has the option to provide, install and terminate its interconnection cabling between the Collocator's Dedicated Space and AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame or its equivalent by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor. This option is only available if Collocator does all three (3) activities associated with interconnection cabling: provide, install and terminate. The Collocator may not elect to

do some but not all the activities. Collocator must indicate on its Physical Collocation application that it has selected this option to apply to all interconnection cabling requested on the application. If Collocator selects this option, the Collocator must also select the option to provide, install and terminate its power cable leads described in Section 21.6.2 below. If Collocator selects this option, AT&T ILLINOIS will install and stencil termination blocks or panels at AT&T ILLINOIS Main Distribution Frame or its equivalent for the handoff of the Actual Point of Termination (APOT) Connection(s) to the Collocator. Intervals and provisioning for this option are found Section 8.2. The Collocator's AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor must obtain an approved Job Start Agreement (JSA) and/or Method of Procedure (MOP) from AT&T ILLINOIS and follow AT&T ILLINOIS Technical Publication TP 76300 for installation of equipment and facilities;

- 21.4 The Collocator has the option to provide, install, and terminate its power cable leads between Collocator's Dedicated Space and AT&T ILLINOIS Battery Distribution Fuse Bay (BDFB) by using an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor. When AT&T ILLINOIS designated power termination point is at the Power Plant Primary Distribution, the Collocator's AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Power Installation Vendor will provide and install the power cable leads, but not terminate. The Collocator must contact AT&T ILLINOIS Project Manager five (5) business days prior to scheduling a request for the termination of the Collocator's power cable leads to AT&T ILLINOIS Power Plant Primary Distribution, which will be performed by AT&T ILLINOIS. This option is only available if the Collocator does all three (3) activities associated with the power cable lead unless described otherwise within this Section. The Collocator may not elect to do some but not all the activities unless otherwise permitted in this Section. If Collocator selects this option, the Collocator must also select the option to provide, install and terminate its interconnection cabling described in Section 21.3 above. Intervals and provisioning for this option are found in Section 21.3. The Collocator's AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Power Installation Vendor must obtain an approved Job Start Agreement (JSA) and/or Method of Procedures (MOP) from AT&T ILLINOIS and follow AT&T ILLINOIS Technical Publication TP 76300 for installation of equipment and facilities.

21.5 Interval (Collocator Installs Interconnection and Power Cabling)

21.5.1 The intervals set forth in this Section apply only when Collocator installs interconnection and power cabling. AT&T ILLINOIS will notify Collocator as to whether its request for space is granted or denied due to a lack of space within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of a Collocator's accurate and complete Physical Collocation Application. If AT&T ILLINOIS determines that Collocator's Physical Collocation Application is unacceptable, AT&T ILLINOIS shall advise Collocator of any deficiencies within this ten (10) calendar day period. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Collocator with sufficient detail so that Collocator has a reasonable opportunity to cure each deficiency. To retain its place in the queue to obtain the Physical Collocation arrangement, Collocator must cure any deficiencies in its Application and resubmit such Application within ten (10) calendar days after being advised of deficiencies. Any changes to the amount or type of floor space, interconnection terminations, and power requested from the originally submitted Physical Collocation Application will not be considered a deficiency. If these types of changes are requested while application is in queue, the application will be rejected.

21.5.2 The delivery interval relates to the period in which AT&T ILLINOIS shall construct and turnover to the Collocator's the requested Physical Collocation Space. The delivery interval begins on the date AT&T ILLINOIS receives an accurate and complete Physical Collocation Application from the Collocator. The Collocator must provide AT&T ILLINOIS, within seven (7) calendar days from the date of notification granting the application request, a confirmatory response in writing to continue construction along with the fifty percent (50%) payment of non-recurring charges (unless payment was received with application) or the delivery interval provided will not commence until such time as AT&T ILLINOIS has received such response and payment. If the Collocator has not provided AT&T ILLINOIS such response and payment by the twelfth (12) calendar day after the date AT&T ILLINOIS notified Collocator its request has been granted, the application will be canceled. Dedicated Space is not reserved until AT&T ILLINOIS receipt of the confirmatory response in writing from the Collocator with applicable fees.

21.5.3 The delivery interval for Caged or Cageless Physical Collocation is determined by AT&T ILLINOIS taking into consideration the various factors set forth in Table 1 below including, without limitation, the number of all Physical Collocation Applications submitted by Collocator, the type of Dedicated Space available for collocation, and the need for additional preparation of the space such as overhead racking, additional power or HVAC.

21.5.3.1 The delivery interval assigned will be provided to the Collocator by AT&T ILLINOIS with the ten (10) calendar day space notification. Each complete and accurate Physical Collocation Application received by AT&T ILLINOIS from the Collocator will be processed in the order received unless the Collocator provides a priority list, whichever is applicable.

Table 1

Number of All Applications submitted by One Collocator per state or metering region	Overhead Iron/Racking Exists for Active Collocation Space Use	Overhead Iron/Racking Does Not Exist for Active Collocation Space Use	Additional Power or HVAC is not Required for the assigned Inactive Collocation Space Use	Additional Power or HVAC is Required for the assigned Inactive Collocation Space Use
1 - 10	60 calendar days	80 calendar days	140 calendar days	180 calendar days
11 – 20	65 calendar days	85 calendar days	145 calendar days	185 calendar days

21.5.3.2 Should the Collocator submit twenty-one (21) or more applications within ten (10) business days, the above delivery intervals will be increased by five (5) days for every five (5) additional applications or fraction thereof. Any material revision to an application will be treated as a new application and will be subject to the time intervals set forth above. For example, but not by way of limitation, if a Collocator submits twelve (12) Caged/Cageless Physical Collocation Applications in a state, the delivery intervals assigned by AT&T ILLINOIS will depend on which variables apply within each Eligible Structure Physical Collocation is requested.

21.5.3.3 If Applications (1-4) are for Physical Collocation Space where Active Collocation Space is available and overhead iron/racking exists, the delivery intervals assigned will be sixty (60) days. If Applications (5-6) are for Physical Collocation Space and only Inactive Collocation Space exists and additional power or HVAC is not required, the delivery interval assigned will be one hundred forty (140) calendar days. If Applications (7-12) are for Physical Collocation Space where Active Collocation Space is available and overhead iron/racking does not exist, the delivery intervals assigned to Applications (7-10) will be eighty (80) calendar days and for Applications (11-12) will be assigned eighty-five (85) calendar days.

21.5.4 The second fifty percent (50%) payment must be received by AT&T ILLINOIS prior to the space being turned over to the Collocator. At space turnover, the Actual Point of Termination (APOT) Connection(s) will be provided to the Collocator by AT&T ILLINOIS.

21.5.5 For the following Augments, the Collocator must submit a complete and accurate Physical Collocation Application, along with an up-front payment of the Planning Fee and fifty percent (50%) of all applicable non-recurring charges.

- 168 DS1 connections and/or
- 48 DS3 connections and/or
- 400 Copper shielded cable pair connections
- 12 fiber pair connections

21.5.5.1 Applications (except requests for Adjacent Structure Collocation) received by AT&T ILLINOIS from a Collocator within a ten (10) business day period shall be treated as submitted at the same time for purposes of administering the above intervals. The Caged and Cageless Collocation delivery interval ends when roughed in and the assigned space has been distinctly marked by AT&T ILLINOIS.

21.5.5.2 The delivery interval for the above Augments is determined by AT&T ILLINOIS taking into consideration the various factors set forth in Table 2 below including, without limitation, the number of all Physical Collocation Applications for the above Augments submitted by Collocator, the type of infrastructure available for collocation, and the need for additional preparation of the infrastructure such as overhead iron/racking and additional power.

21.5.5.3 The delivery interval assigned will be provided to the Collocator by AT&T ILLINOIS with the ten (10) calendar day Augment notification. Each complete and accurate Physical Collocation Application received by AT&T ILLINOIS from the Collocator will be processed in the order received unless the Collocator provides a priority list, whichever is applicable.

Table 2

Number of All Applications submitted by One Collocator per state or metering region	Necessary Elements such as Iron/Racking and Power exist for Physical Collocation Use	Necessary Elements such as Iron/Racking and Power does not exist for Physical Collocation Use
1 – 10	30 calendar days	60 calendar days
11- 20	35 calendar days	65 calendar days

21.5.5.4 Should the Collocator submit twenty-one (21) or more Physical Collocation Applications for cabling Augments within ten (10) business days, the above delivery intervals will be increased by five (5) days for every five (5) additional applications or fraction thereof. Any material revision to a Physical Collocation Application for cabling Augments will be treated as a new application and will be subject to the delivery intervals set forth in Table 2 above. All applications received by AT&T ILLINOIS from a Collocator within a ten (10) business day period shall be treated as submitted at the same time for purposes of administering the above staggering intervals.

For example, but not by way of limitation, if a Collocator submits twelve (12) Physical Collocation Applications for cabling Augments in a state, the delivery intervals assigned will depend on which variables apply within each Eligible Structure requested:

- If Applications (1-4) are for Physical Collocation cabling Augments where necessary elements such as overhead iron/racking and power exists, the delivery interval assigned will be thirty (30) days. If Applications (5-12) are for Physical Collocation where necessary elements such as overhead iron/racking and power does not exist, the delivery interval assigned to Applications (5-10) will be sixty (60) calendar days and for Applications (11-12) sixty-five (65) calendar days.

21.5.6 For all Augments other than provided above, AT&T ILLINOIS will work cooperatively with Collocator to negotiate a mutually agreeable delivery interval.

21.5.7 Within twenty (20) calendar days or mutually agreed upon time, from AT&T ILLINOIS receipt of the confirmatory response in writing for an initial collocation arrangement to continue construction on the Physical Collocation job requested along with the fifty percent (50%) payment of non-recurring charges (unless payment was received with application), Network Support and/or appropriate departments will schedule a walk through visit with the telecommunications carrier and/or vendor to provide floor plans of space and the preliminary route design for the interconnection and power cabling.

21.6 Rates Elements for AT&T ILLINOIS Central Offices

21.6.1 Caged Collocation

21.6.1.1 When Collocator constructs its own cage and related equipment, the Collocator will be subject to the AC Circuit Placement charge, which includes four inch (4") conduit and wiring from the electrical panel to cage as set forth in the Collocation Rate Summary. This is expressed as a non-recurring charge per square foot of floor space requested.

21.6.2 DC Power Arrangement Provisioning

21.6.2.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install its power cable by a AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, only the rack occupancy and on-going maintenance of the rack charge will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to AT&T ILLINOIS Battery Distribution Fuse Bay (BDFB) or Power Plant Primary Distribution, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Power Installation Vendor will have access. Rates for extension of power cables to the Adjacent On-site structure will not apply when provided and installed by telecommunications carriers AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Vendor. This is expressed as a monthly rate as specified the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.3 Entrance Fiber Optic Cable Arrangement

21.6.3.1 The Collocator is responsible for bringing its facilities to the entrance manhole(s) designated by AT&T ILLINOIS, and leaving sufficient length of the cable in the manhole for AT&T ILLINOIS to fully extend the Collocator-provided facilities through the cable vault to the Dedicated Space.

21.6.4 DS0 Voice Grade Interconnection Cable Arrangement

21.6.4.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install its interconnection cabling by an AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Vendor, the Voice Grade Terminal blocks at the MDF, rack occupancy, and on-going maintenance charges will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to the Main Distribution Frame, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor will have access. This is expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.5 DS-1 Interconnection Cable Arrangement to DCS

21.6.5.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the DS-1 Port, rack occupancy, and on-going maintenance charges will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to the Main Distribution Frame, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor will have access. This is expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.6 DS-1 Interconnection Cable Arrangement to DSX

21.6.6.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the DSX at the MDF, rack occupancy, and on-going maintenance charges will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to the Main Distribution Frame, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor will have access. This is expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.7 DS-3 Interconnection Cable Arrangement to DCS

21.6.7.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the DS-3 Port, rack occupancy, and on-going maintenance charges will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to the Main Distribution Frame, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor will have access. This is expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.8 DS-3 Interconnection Cable Arrangement to DSX

21.6.8.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the DSX at the MDF, rack occupancy, and on-going maintenance charges will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to the Main Distribution Frame, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor will have access. This is expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.9 Fiber Interconnection Cable Arrangement

21.6.9.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the Fiber terminating panel at the FDF-1 Port, rack occupancy, and on-going maintenance charges will apply. The Collocator will not be permitted access to the Main Distribution Frame, but AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor will have access. This is expressed as a combination of a non-recurring charge and a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.10 Collocation to Collocation Connection

21.6.10.1 This rate element includes physical to physical, and physical to virtual connection options.

21.6.10.1.1 Fiber Cable (12 Fiber Pairs)

21.6.10.1.1.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the charge for on-going maintenance of the rack will apply. This is expressed as a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.10.1.2 Copper Cable

21.6.10.1.2.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the charge for on-going maintenance of the rack will apply. This is expressed as a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.10.1.3 Coax Cable

21.6.10.1.3.1 When the Collocator selects the option to provide and install the interconnection cabling by AT&T ILLINOIS Approved Tier 1 Installation Vendor, the charge for on-going maintenance will apply. This is expressed as a monthly rate as specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.10.1.4 Cable Racking and Hole

21.6.10.1.4.1 This sub-element provides for cable rack space and hole for copper, coax and optical cabling between two (2) collocation arrangements and the required terminations at each virtual collocation arrangement(s) at an Eligible Structure. This sub-element is expressed as a monthly rate specified in the Collocation Rate Summary.

21.6.10.1.5 Route Design

21.6.10.1.5.1 This sub-element provides the route design for collocation-to-collocation connections. This sub-element is expressed as a non-recurring charge and this charge is specific in the Collocation Rate Summary.

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2	CLEC-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: CAGED				
3	REAL ESTATE				
4	Site Conditioning	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8FWB		\$9.28
5	Safety & Security	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8F4N		\$19.56
6	Floor Space Usage	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8F4L	\$5.97	
7	COMMON SYSTEMS				
8	Common Systems - Cage	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8F4A	\$0.44	\$59.86
9	PLANNING				
10	Planning - Central Office	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCA	\$0.09	\$7.55
11	Planning	Per Request	NRFCD		\$5,244.43
12	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRFCE		\$2,267.04
13	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,306.10
14	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCG		\$2,884.60
15	Planning - Non-Standard	Per Request	NRFCF		\$1,436.00
16	POWER PROVISIONING				
17	Power Panel:				
18	50 Amp	Per Power Panel (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
19	200 Amp	Per Power Panel (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
20	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
21	Power Cable Rack	Per Four Power Cables or Quad	NONE		
22	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F31	\$0.25	\$48.23
23	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF1	\$0.25	\$48.23
24	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F32	\$0.25	\$48.23
25	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F33	\$0.25	\$48.23
26	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF2	\$0.25	\$48.23
27	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF3	\$0.25	\$48.23
28	Equipment Grounding:				
29	Ground Cable Placement	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8FCR	\$0.03	\$0.92
30	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
31	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8GCS	\$14.62	
32	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
33	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
34	Central Office:				
35	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath (CLEC Vendor Pulls Cable)	S8FQ9	\$4.85	\$809.13
36	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FW5	\$8.76	
37	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
38	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
39	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8F45	\$0.08	\$14.81
40	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8FQT	\$3.58	\$698.82
41	Space Availability Report	Per Premise	NRFCQ		\$168.04
42	Security Access / ID Cards	Per Five Cards	NRFCM		\$123.35
43	Security Access / ID Cards/Expedite	Per Five Cards	NRFCN		\$203.35
44	CAGE COMMON COSTS				
45	AC Circuit Placement	Per Sq. Ft. (CLEC provides cage)	NRL60		\$5.29
46	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
47	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
48	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F48	\$3.86	\$156.02
49	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8FWU	\$3.86	\$156.02
50	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8FQM	\$295.42	\$3,105.79
51	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F46	\$6.07	\$486.89
52	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F47	\$115.30	\$1,809.40
53	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8FQN	\$5.69	\$116.67
54	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8FQR	\$3.76	\$495.49
55	CLEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
56	Cable Racking and Hole for Optical	Per Cable	S8GFE	\$0.82	
57	Cable Racking and Hole for DS1	Per Cable	S8GFF	\$0.57	
58	Cable Racking and Hole for DS3	Per Cable	S8GFG	\$0.50	
59	Route Design		NRFCX		\$424.88
60	Connection for DS1	Per 28 Circuits (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFH	\$0.18	
61	Connection for DS3	Per Circuit (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFJ	\$0.12	
62	Connection for Optical	Per Cable (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFK	\$0.31	
63	TIME SENSITIVE ACTIVITIES				
64	PRE-VISITS				
65	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCR		\$23.23
66	Comm. Tech - Craft	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCS		\$19.60
67	CO Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCT		\$19.72
68	Floor Space Planning - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCU		\$19.24
69	CONSTRUCTION VISITS				
70	Project Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCV		\$19.24
71	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCZ		\$23.23
72					
73	AT&T-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: CAGED				
74	REAL ESTATE				
75	Site Conditioning	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCE		\$9.28
76	Safety & Security	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCF		\$19.56
77	Floor Space Usage	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCD	\$5.97	
78	COMMON SYSTEMS				
79	Common Systems - Cage	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCG	\$0.44	\$59.86

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80	PLANNING				
81	Planning - Central Office	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCA	\$0.09	\$7.55
82	Planning	Per Request	NRFCB		\$5,244.43
83	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRFCB		\$2,267.04
84	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,306.10
85	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCG		\$2,884.60
86	Planning - Non-Standard	Per Request	NRFCB		\$1,436.00
87	POWER PROVISIONING				
88	Power Panel:				
89	50 Amp	Per Power Panel	S8GC8	\$15.77	\$3,079.47
90	200 Amp	Per Power Panel	S8GC9	\$18.75	\$3,659.46
91	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
92	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds	Under Development	\$5.83	\$1,378.83
93	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds	S8GCU	\$7.74	\$1,570.84
94	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds	Under Development	\$8.35	\$1,700.70
95	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds	Under Development	\$8.96	\$1,830.56
96	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds	S8GCV	\$9.57	\$1,954.85
97	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds	S8GCW	\$11.39	\$2,344.44
98	Equipment Grounding:				
99	Ground Cable Placement	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GDA	\$0.03	\$0.92
100	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
101	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8GCS	\$14.62	
102	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
103	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
104	Central Office:				
105	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDE	\$4.85	\$1,619.88
106	Entrance Conduit to Vault	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDD	\$8.76	
107	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
108	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
109	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8GEK	\$0.08	\$14.81
110	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8GEJ	\$3.58	\$698.82
111	Space Availability Report	Per Premise	NRFCQ		\$168.04
112	Security Access / ID Cards	Per Five Cards	NRFCM		\$123.35
113	Security Access / ID Cards/Expedite	Per Five Cards	NRFCN		\$203.35
114	CAGE COMMON COSTS				
115	Cage Preparation	Per Sq. Ft. of space used by CLEC	S8GCH	\$0.27	\$19.70
116	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
117	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
118	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs	S8GD4	\$4.92	\$1,027.16
119	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs	S8GD5	\$4.92	\$1,027.16
120	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1	S8GDK	\$297.44	\$3,613.06
121	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1	S8GDP	\$9.79	\$1,346.48
122	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3	S8GDV	\$115.58	\$2,181.58
123	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3	S8GDZ	\$7.14	\$603.89
124	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (24 Fiber strands)	S8GED	\$6.55	\$1,779.78
125	CLEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
126	Cable Racking and Hole for Optical	Per Cable	S8GFE	\$0.82	
127	Cable Racking and Hole for DS1	Per Cable	S8GFF	\$0.57	
128	Cable Racking and Hole for DS3	Per Cable	S8GFG	\$0.50	
129	Route Design		NRFCX		\$424.88
130	Connection for DS1	Per 28 Circuits	S8GFC	\$1.41	\$982.35
131	Connection for DS3	Per Circuit	S8GFD	\$1.30	\$433.86
132	Connection for Optical (Fiber)	Per Cable	S8GFB	\$1.38	\$1,404.07
133	TIME SENSITIVE ACTIVITIES				
134	PRE-VISITS				
135	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCR		\$23.23
136	Comm. Tech - Craft	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCB		\$19.60
137	CO Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCU		\$19.72
138	Floor Space Planning - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCU		\$19.24
139	CONSTRUCTION VISITS				
140	Project Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCV		\$19.24
141	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCZ		\$23.23
142					
143	CLEC-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: CAGELESS				
144	REAL ESTATE				
145	Site Conditioning	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8FWC		\$92.81
146	Safety & Security	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8FWG		\$195.57
147	Floor Space Usage	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8F9C	\$64.21	
148	COMMON SYSTEMS				
149	Common Systems - Cageless	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8FWE	\$9.35	\$760.45
150	PLANNING				
151	Planning - Central Office	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8GCB	\$1.13	\$75.54
152	Planning	Per Request	NRFCJ		\$4,601.93
153	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRFCB		\$2,267.04
154	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,306.10
155	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCG		\$2,884.60
156	Planning - Non-Standard	Per Request	NRFCB		\$1,436.00

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157	POWER PROVISIONING				
158	Power Panel:				
159	50 Amp	Per Power Panel (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
160	200 Amp	Per Power Panel (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
161	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
162	Power Cable Rack	Per Four Power Cables or Quad	NONE		
163	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F34	\$0.25	\$48.23
164	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF1	\$0.25	\$48.23
165	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F35	\$0.25	\$48.23
166	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F36	\$0.25	\$48.23
167	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF2	\$0.25	\$48.23
168	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF3	\$0.25	\$48.23
169	Equipment Grounding:				
170	Ground Cable Placement	Per Frame	S8GDB	\$0.33	\$15.32
171	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
172	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8GCS	\$14.62	
173	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
174	CEV, HUT & Cabinets	Per 2 inch mounting space	S8GCT	\$1.27	
175	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
176	Central Office:				
177	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath (CLEC Vendor Pulls Cable)	S8FQ9	\$4.85	\$809.13
178	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FW5	\$8.76	
179	CEV, HUT & Cabinets:				
180	Fiber Cable Placement	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDH		\$53.58
181	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDJ	\$2.61	
182	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
183	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
184	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8F45	\$0.08	\$14.81
185	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8FQT	\$3.58	\$698.82
186	Space Availability Report	Per Premise	NRFCQ		\$168.04
187	Security Access / ID Cards	Per Five Cards	NRFCM		\$123.35
188	Security Access / ID Cards/Expedite	Per Five Cards	NRFCN		\$203.35
189	CAGELESS / POT BAY OPTIONS				
190	Standard Equipment Bay	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
191	Non-Standard Cabinet Bay	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
192	VF/DS0 Termination Panel	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
193	VF/DS0 Termination Module	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
194	DDP-1 Panel	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
195	DDP-1 Jack Access Card	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
196	DS3/STS-1 Interconnect Panel	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
197	DS3 Interconnect Module	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
198	Fiber Optic Splitter Panel	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
199	Fiber Termination Dual Module	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
200	CEV, HUT, CABINET				
201	24 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE3	\$1.64	
202	16 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE4	\$1.77	
203	Maxi-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE1	\$0.77	
204	Mini-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE2	\$1.33	
205	Large Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GEX	\$1.63	
206	Medium Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GEY	\$2.19	
207	Small Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GEZ	\$3.29	
208	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
209	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
210	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F3E	\$3.86	\$156.02
211	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8FWV	\$3.86	\$156.02
212	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F2J	\$295.42	\$3,105.79
213	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F2P	\$6.07	\$486.89
214	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F21	\$115.30	\$1,809.40
215	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F25	\$5.69	\$116.67
216	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F49	\$3.76	\$495.49
217	CLEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
218	Cable Racking and Hole for Optical	Per Cable	S8GFE	\$0.82	
219	Cable Racking and Hole for DS1	Per Cable	S8GFF	\$0.57	
220	Cable Racking and Hole for DS3	Per Cable	S8GFG	\$0.50	
221	Route Design		NRFCX		\$424.88
222	Connection for DS1	Per 28 Circuits (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFL	\$0.18	\$0.00
223	Connection for DS3	Per Circuit (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFM	\$0.12	\$0.00
224	Connection for Optical	Per Cable (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFN	\$0.31	\$0.00
225	PROJECT MANAGEMENT				
226	CEV, HUT & CABINET				
227	Project Coordination	Per CLEC Application	NRFCCK		\$631.17
228	TIME SENSITIVE ACTIVITIES				
229	PRE-VISITS				
230	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCR		\$23.23
231	Comm. Tech - Craft	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCSC		\$19.60
232	CO Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCCT		\$19.72
233	Floor Space Planning - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCU		\$19.24
234	CONSTRUCTION VISITS				
235	Project Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCV		\$19.24
236	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCZ		\$23.23
237					

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238	AT&T-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: CAGELESS				
239	REAL ESTATE				
240	Site Conditioning	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8GCL		\$92.81
241	Safety & Security	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8GCN		\$195.57
242	Floor Space Usage	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8GCK	\$64.21	
243	COMMON SYSTEMS				
244	Common Systems - Cageless	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8GCM	\$9.35	\$760.45
245	PLANNING				
246	Planning - Central Office	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8GCB	\$1.13	\$75.54
247	Planning	Per Request	NRFCJ		\$4,601.93
248	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,267.04
249	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,306.10
250	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCG		\$2,884.60
251	Planning - Non-Standard	Per Request	NRFCH		\$1,436.00
252	POWER PROVISIONING				
253	Power Panel:				
254	50 Amp	Per Power Panel	S8GC8	\$15.77	\$3,079.47
255	200 Amp	Per Power Panel	S8GC9	\$18.75	\$3,659.46
256	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
257	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3D	\$5.83	\$2,100.33
258	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds	S8GCX	\$7.74	\$2,262.52
259	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3E	\$8.35	\$2,424.71
260	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3F	\$8.96	\$2,586.91
261	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds	S8GCY	\$9.57	\$2,749.10
262	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds	S8GCZ	\$11.39	\$3,236.32
263	Equipment Grounding:				
264	Ground Cable Placement	Per Frame	S8GDB	\$0.33	\$15.32
265	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
266	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8GCS	\$14.62	
267	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
268	CEV, HUT & Cabinets	Per 2 inch mounting space	S8GCT	\$1.27	
269	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
270	Central Office:				
271	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDE	\$4.85	\$1,619.88
272	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDD	\$8.76	
273	CEV, HUT & Cabinets:				
274	Fiber Cable Placement	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDH		\$53.58
275	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDJ	\$2.61	
276	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
277	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
278	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8GEK	\$0.08	\$14.81
279	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8GEJ	\$3.58	\$698.82
280	Space Availability Report	Per Premise	NRFCQ		\$168.04
281	Security Access / ID Cards	Per Five Cards	NRFCM		\$123.35
282	Security Access / ID Cards/Expedite	Per Five Cards	NRFCN		\$203.35
283	CAGELESS / POT BAY OPTIONS				
284	Standard Equipment Bay	Each	NRFCO	\$8.89	\$721.28
285	Non-Standard Cabinet Bay	Each	NRFCP	\$17.78	\$3,470.81
286	VF/DS0 Termination Panel/Module	Each	S8GE5	\$3.10	\$605.64
287	DDP-1 Panel/Jack Access Card	Each	S8GE6	\$8.08	\$1,576.65
288	DS3/STS-1 Interconnect Panel	Each	S8GE7	\$2.38	\$465.47
289	DS3 Interconnect Module	Each	S8GE8	\$0.45	\$87.35
290	Fiber Optic Splitter Panel	Each	S8GE9	\$1.52	\$297.00
291	Fiber Termination Dual Module	Each	S8GFA	\$1.37	\$267.88
292	CEV, HUT, CABINET				
293	24 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE3	\$1.64	
294	16 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE4	\$1.77	
295	Maxi-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE1	\$0.77	
296	Mini-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GE2	\$1.33	
297	Large Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GEX	\$1.63	
298	Medium Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GEY	\$2.19	
299	Small Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8GEZ	\$3.29	
300	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
301	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
302	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs	S8GD6	\$4.92	\$1,027.16
303	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs	S8GD7	\$4.92	\$1,027.16
304	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1	S8GDL	\$297.44	\$3,613.06
305	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1	S8GDQ	\$9.79	\$1,346.48
306	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3	S8GDW	\$115.58	\$2,181.58
307	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3	S8GD1	\$7.14	\$603.89
308	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (24 Fiber Strands)	S8GEE	\$6.55	\$1,779.78
309	CLEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
310	Cable Racking and Hole for Optical	Per Cable	S8GFE	\$0.82	
311	Cable Racking and Hole for DS1	Per Cable	S8GFF	\$0.57	
312	Cable Racking and Hole for DS3	Per Cable	S8GFG	\$0.50	
313	Route Design		NRFCX		\$424.88
314	Connection for DS1	Per 28 Circuits	S8GFC	\$1.41	\$982.35
315	Connection for DS3	Per Circuit	S8GFD	\$1.30	\$433.86
316	Connection for Optical (Fiber)	Per Cable	S8GFB	\$1.38	\$1,404.07

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1					
317	PROJECT MANAGEMENT				
318	CEV, HUT & CABINET				
319	Project Coordination	Per CLEC Application	NRFCK		\$631.17
320	TIME SENSITIVE ACTIVITIES				
321	PRE-VISITS				
322	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFRCR		\$23.23
323	Comm. Tech - Craft	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCS		\$19.60
324	CO Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCT		\$19.72
325	Floor Space Planning - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFUCU		\$19.24
326	CONSTRUCTION VISITS				
327	Project Manager - 1st Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFVCV		\$19.24
328	Colloc. Ser. Mgr. - 2nd Level	Per 1/4 Hour	NRFCZ		\$23.23
329					
330	CLEC-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: CAGED COMMON				
331	REAL ESTATE				
332	Site Conditioning	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8FWC		\$92.81
333	Safety & Security	Per Frame (Standard Bay=10 sq ft)	S8FWG		\$195.57
334	Floor Space Usage	Per Linear Foot	S8GCO	\$24.87	
335	COMMON SYSTEMS				
336	Common Systems - Common	Per Linear Foot	S8GCP	\$3.62	\$294.37
337	PLANNING				
338	Planning - Central Office	Per Linear Foot	S8GCC	\$0.44	\$29.24
339	Planning	Per Request	NRFJCJ		\$4,601.93
340	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRFCE		\$2,267.04
341	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCE		\$2,306.10
342	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCEG		\$2,884.60
343	Planning - Non-Standard	Per Request	NRFCH		\$1,436.00
344	POWER PROVISIONING				
345	Power Panel:				
346	50 Amp	Per Power Panel (CLEC provides)	NONE		
347	200 Amp	Per Power Panel (CLEC provides)	NONE		
348	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
349	Power Cable Rack	Per Four Power Cables or Quad	NONE		
350	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F31	\$0.25	\$48.23
351	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF1	\$0.25	\$48.23
352	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F32	\$0.25	\$48.23
353	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F33	\$0.25	\$48.23
354	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF2	\$0.25	\$48.23
355	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GF3	\$0.25	\$48.23
356	Equipment Grounding:				
357	Ground Cable Placement	Per Linear Foot	S8GDC	\$0.13	\$5.93
358	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
359	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8GCS	\$14.62	
360	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
361	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
362	Central Office:				
363	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath (CLEC Vendor Pulls Cable)	S8FQ9	\$4.85	\$809.13
364	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FW5	\$8.76	
365	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
366	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
367	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8F45	\$0.08	\$14.81
368	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8FQT	\$3.58	\$698.82
369	Space Availability Report	Per Premise	NRFQCQ		\$168.04
370	Security Access / ID Cards	Per Five Cards	NRFCEM		\$123.35
371	Security Access / ID Cards/Expedite	Per Five Cards	NRFCEM		\$203.35
372	CAGE COMMON COSTS				
373	Cage Preparation	Per Linear Foot	S8GCJ	\$1.00	\$157.00
374	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
375	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
376	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F3E	\$3.86	\$156.02
377	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8FWV	\$3.86	\$156.02
378	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F2J	\$295.42	\$3,105.79
379	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F2P	\$6.07	\$486.89
380	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F21	\$115.30	\$1,809.40
381	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F25	\$5.69	\$116.67
382	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F49	\$3.76	\$495.49
383					
384	AT&T-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: CAGED COMMON				
385	REAL ESTATE				
386	Site Conditioning	Per Bay	S8GCL		\$92.81
387	Safety & Security	Per Frame	S8GCN		\$195.57
388	Floor Space Usage	Per Linear Foot	S8GCO	\$24.87	
389	COMMON SYSTEMS				
390	Common Systems - Common	Per Linear Foot	S8GCP	\$3.62	\$294.37

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1	Product Type	Rate Element Description	USOC		
391	PLANNING				
392	Planning - Central Office	Per Linear Foot	S8GCC	\$0.44	\$29.24
393	Planning	Per Request	NRFCJ		\$4,601.93
394	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,267.04
395	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCF		\$2,306.10
396	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRFCG		\$2,884.60
397	Planning - Non-Standard	Per Request	NRFCH		\$1,436.00
398	POWER PROVISIONING				
399	Power Panel:				
400	50 Amp	Per Power Panel	S8GC8	\$15.77	\$3,079.47
401	200 Amp	Per Power Panel	S8GC9	\$18.75	\$3,659.46
402	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
403	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3A	\$5.83	\$1,378.83
404	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC1	\$7.74	\$1,570.84
405	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3B	\$8.35	\$1,700.70
406	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3C	\$8.96	\$1,830.56
407	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC2	\$9.57	\$1,954.85
408	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC3	\$11.39	\$2,344.44
409	Equipment Grounding:				
410	Ground Cable Placement	Per Linear Foot	S8GDC	\$0.13	\$5.93
411	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
412	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8GCS	\$14.62	
413	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
414	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
415	Central Office:				
416	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDE	\$4.85	\$1,619.88
417	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDD	\$8.76	
418	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
419	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
420	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8GEK	\$0.08	\$14.81
421	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8GEJ	\$3.58	\$698.82
422	Space Availability Report	Per Premise	NRFCQ		\$168.04
423	Security Access / ID Cards	Per Five Cards	NRFCM		\$123.35
424	Security Access / ID Cards/Expedite	Per Five Cards	NRFCN		\$203.35
425	CAGE COMMON COSTS				
426	Cage Preparation	Per Linear Foot	S8GCJ	\$1.00	\$157.00
427	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
428	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
429	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs	S8GD8	\$4.92	\$1,027.16
430	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs	S8GD9	\$4.92	\$1,027.16
431	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1	S8GDM	\$297.44	\$3,613.06
432	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1	S8GDR	\$9.79	\$1,346.48
433	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3	S8GDX	\$115.58	\$2,181.58
434	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3	S8GD2	\$7.14	\$603.89
435	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (24 Fiber Strands)	S8GEF	\$6.55	\$1,779.78
436					
437	CLEC-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: VIRTUAL				
438	REAL ESTATE				
439	Site Conditioning	Per Frame	S8FX5		\$92.81
440	Safety & Security	Per Frame	S8FX6		\$195.57
441	Floor Space Usage	Per Frame	S8F62	\$28.91	
442	COMMON SYSTEMS				
443	Common Systems - Standard	Per Frame	S8F64	\$10.75	
444	Common Systems - Non-Standard	Per Cabinet	S8F65	\$19.36	
445	PLANNING				
446	Planning	Per Request	NRM99		\$5,555.76
447	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRMA3		\$2,224.49
448	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRMAA		\$2,303.84
449	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRMAX		\$2,882.61
450	POWER PROVISIONING				
451	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
452	Power Cable Rack	Per Four Power Cables or Quad	NONE		
453	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F37	\$0.52	
454	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GFO	\$0.52	
455	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F38	\$0.52	
456	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	C1F39	\$0.52	
457	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC Provided)	S8GFP	\$0.52	
458	Equipment Grounding:				
459	Ground Cable Placement	Per Frame	S8F69	\$0.36	
460	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
461	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8FXO	\$14.62	
462	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8FXN	\$10.61	
463	CEV, HUT & Cabinets	Per 2 inch mounting space	S8FXP	\$1.27	
464	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
465	Central Office:				
466	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8F8F	\$11.01	\$1,971.42
467	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8F8G	\$8.17	

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468	CEV, HUT & Cabinets:				
469	Fiber Cable Placement	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FXQ		\$53.58
470	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FXR	\$2.61	
471	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
472	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
473	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8FXT	\$0.08	\$14.81
474	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8FXS	\$3.58	\$698.82
475	VIRTUAL FRAME OPTIONS				
476	Standard Equipment Bay	Each (CLEC Provided)	NONE		
477	CEV, HUT, CABINET				
478	24 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXZ	\$1.64	
479	16 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FY6	\$1.77	
480	Maxi-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXX	\$0.77	
481	Mini-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXY	\$1.33	
482	Large Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXU	\$1.63	
483	Medium Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXV	\$2.19	
484	Small Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXW	\$3.29	
485	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
486	I LEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
487	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F82	\$3.86	\$225.02
488	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F83	\$3.86	\$225.02
489	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F8X	\$295.42	\$3,496.22
490	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F8Y	\$6.07	\$651.13
491	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F8Z	\$115.30	\$2,186.12
492	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F81	\$5.69	\$204.42
493	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F84	\$10.47	\$152.71
494	VIRTUAL TO VIRTUAL CONNECTION				
495	Cable Racking and Hole for Optical	Per Cable	S8FY7	\$0.90	
496	Cable Racking and Hole for DS1	Per Cable	S8FY8	\$0.49	
497	Cable Racking and Hole for DS3	Per Cable	S8FY9	\$0.35	
498	Route Design		NRLWF		\$463.36
499	Connection for DS1	Per 28 Circuits (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFQ	\$0.41	\$0.00
500	Connection for DS3	Per Circuit (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFR	\$0.27	\$0.00
501	Connection for Optical	Per Cable (CLEC provides cable)	S8GFS	\$0.81	\$0.00
502	PROJECT MANAGEMENT				
503	CEV, HUT & CABINET				
504	Project Coordination	Per CLEC Application Augment	NRFCK		\$631.17
505	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY ESCORT				
506	CENTRAL OFFICE TYPE				
507	Staffed CO During Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour	NRMHK		\$15.15
508	Staffed CO During Outside Normal Business Hours	4 Hour Minium - Initial	NRMHN		\$242.35
509	Staffed CO During Outside Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour - Additional	NRMJ7		\$15.15
510	Not Staffed CO/RT During Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour	NRMJ8		\$15.15
511	Not Staffed CO/RT During Outside Normal Business Hours	4 Hour Minium - Initial	NRMJ9		\$242.35
512	Not Staffed CO/RT During Outside Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour - Additional	NRML7		\$15.15
513	CEV, HUT & CABINET				
514	Per Visit	4 Hour Minium - Initial	NRMJ9		\$242.35
515	Per Visit	Per 1/4 Hour - Additional	NRML7		\$15.15
516	ADDITIONAL LABOR ELEMENTS				
517	TRAINING				
518	Communications Tech	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMCD		\$39.21
519	CO Manager	Per 1/2 Hour	NRME9		\$39.45
520	Power Engineer	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMF9		\$38.47
521	Equipment Engineer	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMHJ		\$38.47
522	EQUIPMENT EVALUATION COST				
523	Equipment Engineer	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMO9		\$38.47
524	TEST AND ACCEPTANCE				
525	Communications Tech	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMP2		\$39.21
526					
527	AT&T-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: VIRTUAL				
528	REAL ESTATE				
529	Site Conditioning	Per Frame	S8FX5		\$92.81
530	Safety & Security	Per Frame	S8FX6		\$195.57
531	Floor Space Usage	Per Frame	S8FX1	\$28.91	
532	COMMON SYSTEMS				
533	Common Systems - Standard	Per Frame	S8FX3	\$10.75	
534	Common Systems - Non-Standard	Per Frame	S8FX4	\$19.36	
535	PLANNING				
536	Planning	Per Request	NRM99		\$5,555.76
537	Planning - Subsequent Inter. Cabling	Per Request	NRMA3		\$2,224.49
538	Planning - Subsequent Power Cabling	Per Request	NRMAA		\$2,303.84
539	Planning - Subs. Inter./Power Cabling	Per Request	NRMAX		\$2,882.61
540	POWER PROVISIONING				
541	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
542	2-10 Amp Feeds	Per 2-10 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3G	\$5.83	\$1,378.83
543	2-20 Amp Feeds	Per 2-20 Amp Power Feeds	S8FX7	\$7.74	\$1,570.84
544	2-30 Amp Feeds	Per 2-30 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3H	\$8.35	\$1,700.70
545	2-40 Amp Feeds	Per 2-40 Amp Power Feeds	C1F3J	\$8.96	\$1,830.56
546	2-50 Amp Feeds	Per 2-50 Amp Power Feeds	S8FX8	\$9.57	\$1,954.85
547	Equipment Grounding:				
548	Ground Cable Placement	Per Frame	S8FX9	\$0.36	
549	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
550	HVAC	Per 10 Amps	S8FXO	\$14.62	
551	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8FXN	\$10.61	
552	CEV, HUT & Cabinets	Per 2 inch mounting space	S8FXP	\$1.27	
553	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
554	Central Office:				
555	Fiber Cable	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8F8F	\$11.01	\$1,971.42
556	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8F8G	\$8.17	
557	CEV, HUT & Cabinets:				
558	Fiber Cable Placement	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FXQ		\$53.58
559	Entrance Conduit	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8FXR	\$2.61	

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560	MISCELLANEOUS & OPTIONAL COST:				
561	MISCELLANEOUS COSTS				
562	Timing Lead (1 pair per circuit)	Per Linear Foot, Per pair	S8FXT	\$0.08	\$14.81
563	Bits Timing	Per two circuits	S8FXS	\$3.58	\$698.82
564	VIRTUAL FRAME OPTIONS				
565	Standard Equipment Bay	Each	S8FX2	\$22.19	
566	CEV, HUT, CABINET				
567	24 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXZ	\$1.64	
568	16 Foot CEV	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FY6	\$1.77	
569	Maxi-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXX	\$0.77	
570	Mini-Hut	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXY	\$1.33	
571	Large Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXU	\$1.63	
572	Medium Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXV	\$2.19	
573	Small Cabinet	2 Inch Mounting Space	S8FXW	\$3.29	
574	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
575	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
576	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs	S8FXC	\$4.94	\$1,481.37
577	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs	S8FXD	\$4.94	\$1,481.37
578	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1	S8FXE	\$297.44	\$4,067.27
579	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1	S8FXF	\$9.79	\$1,800.69
580	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3	S8FXG	\$115.59	\$2,635.79
581	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3	S8FXH	\$7.14	\$1,058.10
582	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (24 Fiber Strands)	S8FXJ	\$6.55	\$1,996.19
583	VIRTUAL TO VIRTUAL CONNECTION				
584	Cable Racking and Hole for Optical	Per Cable	S8FY7	\$0.90	
585	Cable Racking and Hole for DS1	Per Cable	S8FY8	\$0.49	
586	Cable Racking and Hole for DS3	Per Cable	S8FY9	\$0.35	
587	Route Design		NRML9		\$463.36
588	Connection for DS1	Per 28 Circuits	S8FXL	\$3.34	\$930.53
589	Connection for DS3	Per Circuit	S8FXM	\$3.26	\$706.77
590	Connection for Optical	Per Cable	S8FXK	\$3.32	\$1,095.09
591	PROJECT MANAGEMENT				
592	CEV, HUT & CABINET				
593	Project Coordination	Per CLEC Application Augment	NRFCK		\$631.17
594	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY ESCORT				
595	CENTRAL OFFICE TYPE				
596	Staffed CO During Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour	NRMHK		\$15.15
597	Staffed CO During Outside Normal Business Hours	4 Hour Minium - Initial	NRMHN		\$242.35
598	Staffed CO During Outside Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour - Additional	NRMJ7		\$15.15
599	Not Staffed CO/RT During Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour	NRMJ8		\$15.15
600	Not Staffed CO/RT During Outside Normal Business Hours	4 Hour Minium - Initial	NRMJ9		\$242.35
601	Not Staffed CO/RT During Outside Normal Business Hours	Per 1/4 Hour - Additional	NRML7		\$15.15
602	CEV, HUT & CABINET				
603	Per Visit	4 Hour Minium - Initial	NRMJ9		\$242.35
604	Per Visit	Per 1/4 Hour - Additional	NRML7		\$15.15
605	ADDITIONAL LABOR ELEMENTS				
606	TRAINING				
607	Communications Tech	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMCD		\$39.21
608	CO Manager	Per 1/2 Hour	NRME9		\$39.45
609	Power Engineer	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMF9		\$38.47
610	Equipment Engineer	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMHJ		\$38.47
611	EQUIPMENT EVALUATION COST				
612	Equipment Engineer	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMO9		\$38.47
613	TEST AND ACCEPTANCE				
614	Communications Tech	Per 1/2 Hour	NRMP2		\$39.21
615					
616	CLEC-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: ADJACENT ON-SITE				
617	PLANNING				
618	Planning - Initial	Per Request	NRFA1		\$9,268.73
619	Planning - Subsequent	Per Request	NRFA2		\$1,606.77
620	REAL ESTATE				
621	Land Rental	Per Square Foot	S8GEN	\$0.44	
622	POWER PROVISIONING				
623	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
624	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC provides cable)	NONE		
625	2-200 Amp Feeds	Per 2-200 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC provides cable)	NONE		
626	2-300 Amp Feeds	Per 2-300 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC provides cable)	NONE		
627	2-400 Amp Feeds	Per 2-400 Amp Power Feeds (CLEC provides cable)	NONE		
628	AC Service:				
629	Extension of 100 Amp AC Service (Opt.)	Per Request	NRFCW		\$6,447.00
630	AC Usage	Per KWH	S8GEO	\$0.05	
631	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
632	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
633	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
634	Fiber Installation	Per Fiber Cable Sheath (CLEC Vendor Pulls Cable)	S8GF4	\$2.13	\$488.48
635	Entrance Fiber Racking	Per Rack/Conduit Duct	S8GDG	\$1.55	

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1					
636	CABLE RACK				
637	DC Power Cable Rack	Per Rack	S8GEP	\$13.64	\$2,667.22
638	Fiber Cable Rack	Per Rack	S8GEQ	\$20.63	
639	Interconnection Arrangement (Copper) Racking	Per Rack	S8GER	\$30.63	
640	CONDUIT PLACEMENT				
641	DC Power Cable Rack	Per Rack	S8GES		\$7,386.71
642	Fiber Cable Rack	Per Rack	S8GET		\$4,711.89
643	Interconnection Arrangement (Copper) Racking	Per Rack	S8GEU		\$5,545.50
644	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
645	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
646	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F3G	\$3.86	\$156.02
647	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8FWVW	\$3.86	\$156.02
648	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F2L	\$295.42	\$3,105.79
649	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F2R	\$6.07	\$486.89
650	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F23	\$115.30	\$1,809.40
651	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3 (CLEC provides cable)	S8F27	\$5.69	\$116.67
652	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (CLEC provides cable)	S8F3N	\$3.76	\$495.49
653					
654	AT&T-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: ADJACENT ON-SITE				
655	PLANNING				
656	Planning - Initial	Per Request	NRFA1		\$9,268.73
657	Planning - Subsequent	Per Request	NRFA2		\$1,606.77
658	REAL ESTATE				
659	Land Rental	Per Square Foot	S8GEN	\$0.44	
660	POWER PROVISIONING				
661	Power Cable and Infrastructure:				
662	2-100 Amp Feeds	Per 2-100 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC4	\$13.84	\$7,853.86
663	2-200 Amp Feeds	Per 2-200 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC5	\$13.84	\$14,584.00
664	2-300 Amp Feeds	Per 2-300 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC6	\$13.84	\$20,338.00
665	2-400 Amp Feeds	Per 2-400 Amp Power Feeds	S8GC7	\$13.84	\$28,143.00
666	AC Service:				
667	Extension of 100 Amp AC Service (Opt.)	Per Request	NRFCW		\$6,447.00
668	AC Usage	Per KWH	S8GEO	\$0.05	
669	DC POWER AMPERAGE CHARGE				
670	Per Amp	Per Amp	S8GCR	\$10.61	
671	FIBER CABLE PLACEMENT				
672	Fiber Installation	Per Fiber Cable Sheath	S8GDF	\$2.13	\$976.96
673	Entrance Fiber Racking	Per Rack/Conduit Duct	S8GDG	\$1.55	
674	CABLE RACK				
675	DC Power Cable Rack	Per Rack	S8GEP	\$13.64	\$2,667.22
676	Fiber Cable Rack	Per Rack	S8GEQ	\$20.63	
677	Interconnection Arrangement (Copper) Racking	Per Rack	S8GER	\$30.63	
678	CONDUIT PLACEMENT				
679	DC Power Cable Rack	Per 2-Duct	S8GES		\$7,386.71
680	Fiber Cable Rack	Per 1-Duct	S8GET		\$4,711.89
681	Interconnection Arrangement (Copper) Racking	Per 2-Duct	S8GEU		\$5,545.50
682	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
683	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
684	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Copper Pairs	S8GEA	\$6.19	\$1,371.93
685	Voice Grade Arrangement	100 Shielded Pairs	S8GEB	\$6.19	\$1,371.93
686	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1	S8GDN	\$439.98	\$2,341.45
687	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1	S8GDS	\$35.04	\$2,341.45
688	DS3 Arrangement - DCS	1 DS3	S8GDY	\$242.36	\$598.33
689	DS3 Arrangement - DSX	1 DS3	S8GD3	\$12.36	\$598.33
690	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs(24 Fiber Strands)	S8GEG	\$8.25	\$3,751.22
691					
692	CLEC-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: ADJACENT OFF-SITE				
693	PLANNING				
694	Planning	Per Request	NRFA3		\$1,254.32
695	CONDUIT				
696	Conduit Space	Per Innerduct	S8GEW	\$1.17	
697	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
698	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
699	Voice Grade/DS0 Arrangement	900 DS0 (Hole, Racking, MDF) (CLEC Vendor Pulls and Installs Cable)	S8GF5	\$311.43	
700	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1 (Hole, Racking, DCS) (CLEC Vendor Pulls and Installs Cable)	S8GF6	\$439.96	
701	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1 (Hole, Racking, DSX) (CLEC Vendor Pulls and Installs Cable)	S8GF7	\$35.03	
702	DS1 Arrangement - MDF	450 DS1 (Hole, Racking, MDF) (CLEC Vendor Pulls and Installs Cable)	S8GF8	\$311.43	
703	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (Hole, Racking, FDF) (CLEC Vendor Pulls and Installs Cable)	S8GF9	\$9.02	
704					
705	AT&T-PROVISIONED FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT: ADJACENT OFF-SITE				
706	PLANNING				
707	Planning	Per Request	NRFA3		\$1,254.32
708	CONDUIT				
709	Conduit Space	Per Innerduct	S8GEW	\$1.17	
710	INTERCONNECTION COSTS:				
711	ILEC TO CLEC CONNECTION				
712	Voice Grade/DS0 Arrangement	900 DS0	S8GEC	\$311.43	\$485.31
713	DS1 Arrangement - DCS	28 DS1	S8GDO	\$439.96	\$1,830.99
714	DS1 Arrangement - DSX	28 DS1	S8GDT	\$35.03	\$1,830.99
715	DS1 Arrangement - MDF	450 DS1	S8GDU	\$311.43	\$485.31
716	Fiber Arrangement	12 Fiber Pairs (24 Fiber Strands)	S8GEH	\$9.02	\$3,370.20

ATT-13STATE
COLLOCATION RATE SUMMARY
February 13, 2006

ATT-13-STATE/MADISON RIVER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
EFFECTIVE DATE:

	A	B	C	D	E
	Product Type	Rate Element Description	USOC	Current Monthly Recurring Rate	Current Non-Recurring Rate (Initial)
1					
717					
718	RATES AND CHARGES FOR				
719	COMPLETE SPACE DISCONTINUANCE				
720	Application Fee	Per Request	NRFXX1		\$503.95
721	Project Management Fee – Complete Space Discontinuance	Per Request	NRFXX2		\$2,883.10
722	Remove Fiber Jumpers	Per linear foot	NRFXX3		\$18.79
723	Remove Fiber Cables	Per linear foot	NRFXX4		\$14.43
724	Remove VF/DS0 Cable	Per linear foot	NRFXX5		\$2.60
725	Remove DS1 Cable	Per linear foot	NRFXX6		\$4.89
726	Remove DS3 Cable (Coax)	Per linear foot	NRFXX7		\$3.57
727	Remove Timing Cable	Per Request	NRFXX8		\$9.64
728	Remove Power Cable-50AMP feed & below	Per linear foot	NRFXX9		\$24.76
729	Remove Power Cable-100AMP feed & above	Per linear foot	NRFXXA		\$22.73
730	Remove Cage Grounding Material	Each grounding lead & ground bar	NRFXXB		\$1,462.85
731	Remove Fiber Entrance Cable	Per cable removal job	NRFXXC		\$1,664.00
732	Infrastructure Maps & Records	Per cable removal job	NRFXXD		\$104.00
733	Engineering Work Order	Per cable removal job	NRFXXE		\$104.00
734	Work Group Information Distribution	Per cable removal job	NRFXXF		\$104.00
735	Restore Floor Tile – per Standard Bay	Per Standard Bay	NRFXXG		\$71.79
736	Floor Restoration Contractor Trip Charge	Per trip	NRFXXH		\$144.63
737	Restore Floor Tile	Per Non-Standard Bay	NRFXXJ		\$81.53
738					
739	RATES AND CHARGES FOR				
740	SPACE REASSIGNMENT/RETENCILING				
741	Application Fee	Per Request	NRFXXK		\$503.95
742	Project Management Fee – Space Reassignment	Per Request	NRFXXL		\$2,883.10
743	Restencil DS0/DSL Block	Per 100 pair block	NRFXXM		\$15.33
744	Restencil DS1 Block	Per 28 DS1s	NRFXXN		\$6.02
745	Restencil DS3 Coax Cable	Per cable	NRFXXO		\$4.90
746	Restencil Fiber Cable Block	Per 12 pair cable	NRFXXP		\$91.95
747	Restencil Fiber Jumper Block	Per 4 jumpers	NRFXXQ		\$61.30
748	Restencil Power and tag cables	Per 1-4 feeds	NRFXXR		\$107.28
749	Restencil Timing Source and tag cable	Per cable	NRFXXS		\$122.60
750	Timing Record Book Update	Per element	NRFXXT		\$45.98
751	Interconnection Records Update	Per element	NRFXXU		\$296.61
752	Power Records Update	Per element	NRFXXV		\$355.94
753	Vendor Engineering	Per Space Reassignment job	NRFXXW		\$711.88
754					
755	RATES AND CHARGES FOR				
756	POWER REDUCTION (CABLE REMOVAL)				
757	Application Fee	Per Request	NRFXXY		\$503.95
758	Project Management Fee – Power Reduction(cable removal)	Per Request	NRFXXZ		\$2,220.45
759	Remove Power Cable-50AMP feed & below	Per linear foot	NRFXXZ		\$24.76
760	Remove Power Cable-100AMP feed & above	Per linear foot	NRFY1		\$22.73
761					
762	RATES AND CHARGES FOR				
763	POWER REDUCTION (REFUSING ONLY)				
764	Application Fee	Per Request	NRFY2		\$503.95
765	Project Management Fee – Power Refusing Only	50AMP A&B feeds & below	NRFY3		\$1,562.80
766	Project Management Fee – Power Refusing Only	100AMP A&B feeds & above	NRFY4		\$2,004.57
767	Power Fuse Reductions on Company BDFB	50AMP A&B feeds & below	NRFY5		\$367.81
768	Restencil Power and tag cables	Per 1-4 feeds	NRFY6		\$107.28
769	Power Records Update	Per element	NRFY7		\$355.94
770	Vendor Engineering	Per Space Reassignment job	NRFY8		\$711.88
771	Power Fuse Reductions on Power Board	100AMP A&B feeds & above	NRFY9		\$490.41
772	Restencil Power and tag cables	Per 1-4 feeds	NRFYA		\$107.28
773	Power Records Update	Per element	NRFYB		\$355.94
774	Vendor Engineering	Per Space Reassignment job	NRFYC		\$711.88
775					
776	RATES AND CHARGES FOR				
777	INTERCONNECTION TERMINATION REDUCTION				
778	Application Fee	Per Request	NRFYD		\$503.95
779	Project Management Fee – Interconnection Cable Reduction	Per Request	NRFYE		\$2,441.33
780	Remove VF/DS0 Cable	Per linear foot	NRFYF		\$2.60
781	Remove DS1 Cable	Per linear foot	NRFYG		\$4.89
782	Remove DS3 Cable (Coax)	Per linear foot	NRFYH		\$3.57
783	Remove Fiber Cables	Per linear foot	NRFYJ		\$14.43
784	Remove Fiber Jumpers	Per linear foot	NRFYK		\$18.79

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**APPENDIX DIRECT
(DIRECT ACCESS AGREEMENT
FOR LOCAL DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE LISTINGS)**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for electronic access to the Directory Assistant data-base provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.4 1.5 The Prices at which AT&T ILLINOIS 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. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "Automated Message Accounting" (AMA) – Billing detail recordings in the switch.
- 2.2 "Call Processing Data Link" (CPDL) - CPDL is a proprietary, licensable interface that utilizes a standard format message protocol for transport of messages between Directory One Call Control and a switching entity.
- 2.3 "Data Terminating Equipment" (DTE) - A terminal attached to a data network as an End User node.
- 2.4 "Nortel Digital Multiplexing Switch" (DMS 200) - DMS performs base call processing functions and supports service capabilities.
- 2.5 "IBM RISC 6000 Processor" – The IBM platform that enables database search capabilities.
- 2.6 "Nortel Directory One" (D1) - D1 offers directory search applications built on a standard operating software environment.
- 2.7 "Nortel Directory One Call Control" - Allows bi-directional call control capability between the TOPS switch and the D1 network.
- 2.8 "Electronic White Pages" (EWP) - EWP allows telephone companies to offer fully customized electronic directory assistance services for all types of users.
- 2.9 "Nortel Interactive Voice System" (IVS) - Peripheral off the switch that provides interactive audio.
- 2.10 "Nortel Multi Purpose Position" (MP, MPX or MPX-IWS) - Operator Workstations.
- 2.11 "Non-Published Number" (NP) - A telephone number that at the request of the telephone subscriber, is neither published in a telephone directory nor provided by an Operator.
- 2.12 "Operator Service Center" (OSC) - Physical location of the Operators/workstations.
- 2.13 "Published Number" - A telephone number that is published in a telephone directory and is available upon request by calling an AT&T ILLINOIS DA Operator.

- 2.14 "Nortel Queue Management System" (QMS) - Supports up to 255 unique queues on calls to operator positions.
- 2.15 "Nortel Traffic Operating Position System" (TOPS) - Performs base call processing functions and support service capabilities.
- 2.16 "Nortel/IBM Protocol" – Allows communication between Nortel Switch and IBM database.
- 2.17 "IBM Platform" – Offers directory search applications built on a standard operating software environment.

3. SERVICE

- 3.1 Direct Access allows CLECs access to AT&T ILLINOIS' Directory Assistance (DA) database (which includes residence, business, and government listings) for the sole purpose of providing DA to CLEC's End User. This service shall allow the CLEC to obtain listed name, address, zip code and telephone numbers, except that access to non-published telephone numbers or other information that the customer has asked to make unavailable is not allowed, with the exception of customer name and address AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLECs nondiscriminatory access to the same directory listing information available to its own directory assistance operators.
- 3.2 Where technically feasible and/or available, CLEC may receive Direct Access from AT&T ILLINOIS' host switches via a CLEC Nortel DMS200 TOPS Host Switch, a LUCENT 5ESS OSPS switch or any other Operator assistance switch type with Call Processing Data Link (CDPL). CDPL is a proprietary, licensable interface that utilizes a standard format message protocol for transport of messages between Nortel Directory One Call Control and a switching entity. CPDL provides the protocol by which the CLEC switch may provide auto and offer DACC.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF AT&T ILLINOIS

- 4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide and maintain its own Directory Assistance platform equipment to furnish DA services to CLEC for all AT&T ILLINOIS listings.
- 4.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide DA listings to CLEC from its current DA records and in accordance with AT&T ILLINOIS' methods, practices, and procedures.
- 4.3 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC access to the same listing information that is available to its own operators.
- 4.4 AT&T ILLINOIS shall maintain the same level of system performance for CLEC as it provides to itself.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLEC

- 5.1 CLEC shall submit requests for Direct Access in writing to AT&T ILLINOIS. Requests for Direct Access will be pursuant to the Individual Case Basis (ICB) Process as outlined in the attached procedures.
- 5.2 When CLEC utilizes a switch other than those specified in TR-BX.25, the CLEC must obtain CPDL/D1 certification of their switch from NORTEL. The CLEC shall bear all costs of obtaining any vendor certification including payment of any applicable vendor license fees.
 - 5.2.1 AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE – The IBM RISC 6000 does not support the CDPL technology.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOTH PARTIES

- 6.1 The CLEC providing the circuit between CLEC's office and AT&T ILLINOIS' office shall make such circuits available for use in connection with the DA services covered herein. When the total traffic exceeds the capability of the existing circuits, additional circuits will be provided by the CLEC.
- 6.2 Where applicable, if additional ADAX cards and ASN Routers (with sync and token ring cards) are necessary, they will be provided by AT&T ILLINOIS, and CLEC will reimburse AT&T ILLINOIS for the cost, plus Engineering, Furnish and Installation.

7. LIABILITY

- 7.1 The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions of the Agreement shall govern performance under this Appendix CLEC also agrees to release, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS from any claim, demand or suit that asserts any infringement or invasion of privacy or confidentiality of any person or persons caused or claimed to be caused, directly, or indirectly, by AT&T ILLINOIS employees and equipment associated with provision of the DA Services. This provision includes but is not limited to suits arising from disclosure of the telephone number, address, or name associated with the telephone called or the telephone used to call the DA Services.

8. BILLING

- 8.1 AT&T ILLINOIS - For information regarding billing, non-payment, disconnection, and dispute resolution, see the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.

9. USE OF SUBSCRIBER LISTING INFORMATION

- 9.1 CLEC is authorized to use the subscriber listing information accessed and provided pursuant to this Appendix for the sole purpose of providing local DA for its own End User customers.

10. ASSIGNMENT

- 10.1 The subscriber listing information accessed shall remain the property of AT&T ILLINOIS. CLEC shall not download, store, print or otherwise extract the DA listing information made available through Direct Access nor shall the CLEC authorize any other company or any person to use any subscriber listing information for any purpose. Each party shall take appropriate measures to guard against any unauthorized use of the listings provided to it hereunder, whether by the other party, its agents or employees.

11. TERM OF CONTRACT AND RATE STRUCTURE

- 11.1 Upon CLEC's request, and pursuant to the terms and conditions herein, AT&T ILLINOIS will set rates and other appropriate criteria for provision of Direct Access to CLEC pursuant to the ICB process.
- 11.2 The following types of rates shall apply to Direct Access.
 - 11.2.1 Service Establishment
 - 11.2.1.1 CLEC shall pay a Direct Access Service Establishment Charge (a non-recurring charge) applied at the time a CLEC orders Direct Access.
 - 11.2.2 Direct Access Database Service
 - 11.2.2.1 CLEC shall pay a monthly recurring charge for Direct Access Database Service which provides for database security and administration and ongoing support.
 - 11.2.3 Direct Access Per Search
 - 11.2.3.1 Where applicable, CLEC shall pay a Direct Access Per Search charge for each CLEC subscriber listing search queried from AT&T ILLINOIS' listing.

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APPENDIX DAL

(LOCAL DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE LISTINGS)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for which Parties agrees to license its subscriber listing information applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.4 The prices at which AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to provide CLEC with Directory Assistance Listing (DAL) are contained in the applicable Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable Commissioned ordered tariff where stated.

2. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Directory Assistance (listing information referred to as Directory Assistance Listing (DAL))
 - 2.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS owns and maintains the database containing directory assistance listing information (name, address and published telephone number, or an indication of "non-published status") of telephone subscribers.
 - 2.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS uses the directory assistance listing information in its database to provide directory assistance (DA) service to End Users who call AT&T ILLINOIS' DA to obtain such information.
 - 2.1.3 Inasmuch as AT&T ILLINOIS provides DA service under contract for Independent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs) and Competitive Local Exchange Carriers, (CLECs), AT&T ILLINOIS' database also contains directory assistance listing information for other ILEC and CLEC End Users.
 - 2.1.4 CLEC, or its agent, wishes to provide DA service to CLEC's End Users located in the CLEC's service area, and therefore, wishes to load its database with directory assistance listings contained in AT&T ILLINOIS' DA database.
 - 2.1.5 AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to license requested directory assistance listing information contained in its database, under the following terms and conditions:
 - 2.1.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall license its directory assistance listing information as defined in Exhibit A.
 - 2.1.5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide directory assistance listing information in a mutually acceptable format.
 - 2.1.5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide directory assistance listing information to CLEC via a mutually acceptable mode of transmission. Once the mode of transmission has been determined, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide to CLEC the initial load of directory assistance listing information in a mutually agreed upon timeframe.

2.2 Use of Directory Assistance Listing Information

- 2.2.1 CLEC may use the directory assistance listing information licensed and provided pursuant to this Appendix in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, and rules including any subsequent decision by the FCC or a court regarding the use of directory assistance listings.
- 2.2.2 Upon termination of the Agreement, CLEC shall cease using, for any purpose whatsoever, the directory assistance listing information provided hereunder by AT&T ILLINOIS, and shall extract and expunge all copies or any portions thereof from files and records and provide a certification from an officer of the company that all actions have been performed.
- 2.2.3 In the event a telephone service subscriber has a "non-published" listing, a "non-published" classification will be identified in lieu of the telephone number information and will be considered part of the Listing Information. The last name, first name, street number, street name, community, and zip code will be provided as part of the Listing Information. The information provided for non-published customers can only be used for two purposes. First, the non-published status may be added to the listing in CLEC's database for the sole purpose of adding/correcting the non-published status of the listings in the database. Second, addresses for non-published customers may be used for verification purposes. If a caller provides the address for a requested listing, CLEC may verify the listing by matching the caller-provided address with the address in CLEC's dates. CLEC may not provide the address information of a requested listing of a non-published subscriber to a caller under any circumstances. CLEC can notify the customer that the requested listing is non-published.

3. ASSIGNMENT

- 3.1 The directory assistance listings provided by AT&T shall remain the property of AT&T ILLINOIS. CLEC, or its third-party DA provider/agent, shall take appropriate measures at least equal to the measures CLEC uses for its own listings to guard against any unauthorized use of the listings provided to it hereunder.

4. BREACH OF CONTRACT

- 4.1 In the event a Party is found to have materially breached this Appendix, such breach shall be remedied immediately and the non-breaching Party shall have the right to terminate the breaching party's license, without terminating its own rights hereunder, upon fourteen (14) calendar days notice, until the other Party's breach is remedied. Further should CLEC breach this agreement, it shall immediately cease use of AT&T ILLINOIS' directory assistance listing information.

5. LIABILITY

- 5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS makes no express or implied warranties whatsoever regarding the accuracy of the directory assistance listing information provided to CLEC. CLEC agrees to accept the directory assistance listing information on an "as-is" basis with all faults, errors and omissions, if any. AT&T ILLINOIS makes no warranty, expressed or implied, with respect to any listings or the information contained therein, including but not limited to warranties for merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose.
- 5.2 CLEC hereby releases AT&T ILLINOIS from any and all liability for damages due to errors or omissions in the directory assistance listing information provided under this Appendix, or by reason of delay in providing the directory assistance listing information, including, but not limited to, special, indirect, consequential, punitive or incidental damages.
- 5.3 CLEC shall indemnify, protect, save harmless and defend AT&T ILLINOIS (or AT&T ILLINOIS' officers, employees, agents, assigns and representatives) 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Appendix, and every interconnection, service and network element provided hereunder, shall be subject to all rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement or any other appendices or attachments to this Agreement which are supplying directory assistance listing information, or any actual error or omission. CLEC shall so indemnify regardless of whether the demand, claim or suit by the third

party is brought jointly against CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS, and/or against AT&T ILLINOIS alone. However, if such demand, claim or suit specifically alleges that an error or omission appears in DA listing information, AT&T ILLINOIS may, at its option, assume and undertake its own defense, or assist in the defense of CLEC, in which event CLEC shall reimburse AT&T ILLINOIS for reasonable attorney's fees and other expenses incurred by it in handling and defending such demand, claim and/or suit. CLEC shall not enter into any settlement of any such demand, claim or suit without the prior written consent of AT&T ILLINOIS.

6. TERM OF APPENDIX

- 6.1 This Appendix will continue in force for the length of the Interconnection Agreement, but no less than twelve (12) months. At the expiration of the term of the Interconnection Agreement to which this Appendix is attached, or twelve (12) months, whichever occurs later either Party may terminate this Appendix upon one hundred-twenty (120) calendar day's written notice to the other Party.

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APPENDIX 911

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions by which the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T)-owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) will provide CLEC with access to the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC's 911 and E911 Databases and provide interconnection and Call Routing for purposes of 911 call completion to a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) as required by Section 251 of the Act.
- 1.2 The Parties acknowledge and agree that AT&T ILLINOIS can only provide E911 Service in territory where an AT&T ILLINOIS is the E911 network provider, and then only that E911 service configuration as purchased by the E911 Customer or PSAP. AT&T ILLINOIS' E911 Selective Routers and E911 Database Management System are by mutual agreement being provided on an "as is" basis.
- 1.3 For CLECs with their own switches, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide access to its E911 Selective Routers as described herein only where the PSAP and/or E911 Customer served by the E911 Selective Routers has approved CLEC to carry E911 Emergency Services calls, which approval is subject to being revoked, conditioned, or modified by the PSAP and/or E911 Customer at any time.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "911 System" means the set of network, database and customer premise equipment (CPE) components required to provide 911 service.
- 2.2 "911 Trunk" means a trunk capable of transmitting Automatic Number Identification (ANI) associated with a call to 911 from CLEC's End Office to the E911 system.
- 2.3 "Automatic Location Identification" or "ALI" means the automatic display at the PSAP of the caller's telephone number, the address/location of the telephone and, in some cases, supplementary emergency services information.
- 2.4 "Automatic Number Identification" or "ANI" means the telephone number associated with the access line from which a call to 911 originates.
- 2.5 "Company Identifier" or "Company ID" means a three to five (3 to 5) character identifier chosen by the Local Exchange Carrier that distinguishes the entity providing dial tone to the End-User. The Company Identifier is maintained by NENA in a nationally accessible database.
- 2.6 "Database Management System" or "DBMS" means a system of manual procedures and computer programs used to create, store and update the data required to provide Selective Routing and/or Automatic Location Identification for 911 systems.
- 2.7 "E911 Customer" means a municipality or other state or local government unit, or an authorized agent of one or more municipalities or other state or local government units to whom authority has been lawfully delegated to respond to public emergency telephone calls, at a minimum, for emergency police and fire services through the use of one telephone number, 911.
- 2.8 "E911 Universal Emergency Number Service" (also referred to as "Expanded 911 Service" or "Enhanced 911 Service") or "E911 Service" means a telephone exchange communications service whereby a public safety answering point (PSAP) answers telephone calls placed by dialing the number 911. E911 includes the service provided by the lines and equipment associated with the service arrangement for the answering, transferring, and dispatching of public emergency telephone calls dialed to 911. E911 provides completion of a call to 911 via dedicated trunking facilities and includes Automatic Number Identification (ANI), Automatic Location Identification (ALI), and/or Selective Routing.
- 2.9 "Emergency Services" means police, fire, ambulance, rescue, and medical services.

- 2.10 "Emergency Service Number" or "ESN" means a three to five digit number representing a unique combination of emergency service agencies (Law Enforcement, Fire, and Emergency Medical Service) designated to serve a specific range of addresses within a particular geographical area. The ESN facilitates selective routing and selective transfer, if required, to the appropriate PSAP and the dispatching of the proper service agency(ies).
- 2.11 "National Emergency Number Association" or "NENA" means the National Emergency Number Association is a not-for-profit corporation established in 1982 to further the goal of "One Nation-One Number". NENA is a networking source and promotes research, planning, and training. NENA strives to educate, set standards and provide certification programs, legislative representation and technical assistance for implementing and managing 911 systems.
- 2.12 "Public Safety Answering Point" or "PSAP" means an answering location for 911 calls originating in a given area. The E911 Customer may designate a PSAP as primary or secondary, which refers to the order in which calls are directed for answering. Primary PSAPs answer calls; secondary PSAPs receive calls on a transfer basis. PSAPs are public safety agencies such as police, fire, emergency medical, etc., or a common bureau serving a group of such entities.
- 2.13 "Selective Routing" and "Selective Router" means the routing and equipment used to route a call to 911 to the proper PSAP based upon the number and location of the caller. Selective routing is controlled by an ESN, which is derived from the location of the access line from which the 911 call was placed.

3. AT&T ILLINOIS RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide and maintain such equipment at the 911 Selective Router and the DBMS as is necessary to provide CLEC E911 Emergency Services at parity with that of AT&T ILLINOIS retail end users. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC access to the AT&T ILLINOIS 911 System as described in this section.
- 3.2 Call Routing
 - 3.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will route 911 calls from the AT&T ILLINOIS Selective Router to the designated primary PSAP or to designated alternate locations, according to routing criteria specified by the PSAP.
 - 3.2.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will forward the calling party number (ANI) it receives from CLEC and the associated 911 Address Location Identification (ALI) to the PSAP for display. If no ANI is forwarded by CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS will forward an Emergency Service Central Office (ESCO) identification code for display at the PSAP. If ANI is forwarded by the CLEC, but no ALI record is found in the E911 DBMS, AT&T ILLINOIS will report this "No Record Found" condition to the CLEC in accordance with NENA standards.
- 3.3 Facilities and Trunking
 - 3.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide and maintain sufficient dedicated E911 trunks from AT&T ILLINOIS' Selective Router to the PSAP of the E911 Customer, according to provisions of the appropriate state Commission-approved tariff and documented specifications of the E911 Customer.
 - 3.3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide facilities to interconnect the CLEC to the AT&T ILLINOIS Selective Router, as specified in the applicable AT&T ILLINOIS Special Access tariff. Additionally, when diverse facilities are requested by CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide such diversity where technically feasible, at standard AT&T ILLINOIS Special Access Tariff rates.
- 3.4 Database
 - 3.4.1 Where AT&T ILLINOIS manages the E911 Database, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC access to the E911 Database to store CLEC's End User 911 Records [that is, the name, address, and associated telephone number(s) for each of CLEC's End Users. CLEC or its representative(s) is responsible for electronically providing End User 911 Records and updating this information.

- 3.4.2 Where AT&T ILLINOIS manages the E911 Database, AT&T ILLINOIS shall coordinate access to the AT&T ILLINOIS DBMS for the initial loading and updating of CLEC End User 911 Records.
- 3.4.3 Where AT&T ILLINOIS manages the E911 Database, AT&T ILLINOIS E911 Database shall accept electronically transmitted files that are based upon NENA standards. Manual (i.e. facsimile) entry shall be utilized only in the event that the DBMS is not functioning properly.

4. CLEC RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1 Call Routing (for CLECs with their own switches)
 - 4.1.1 CLEC will transport 911 calls from each point of interconnection (POI) to the AT&T ILLINOIS Selective Router location.
 - 4.1.2 CLEC will forward the ANI information of the party calling 911 to the AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router.
- 4.2 Facilities and Trunking (for CLECs with their own switches)
 - 4.2.1 CLEC shall provide interconnection with each AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router that serves the exchange areas in which CLEC is authorized to and will provide telephone exchange service.
 - 4.2.2 CLEC acknowledges that its End Users in a single local calling scope may be served by different Selective Routers and CLEC shall be responsible for providing interconnection facilities to route 911 calls from its End Users to the proper E911 Selective Router.
 - 4.2.3 CLEC shall provide a minimum of two (2) one-way outgoing E911 trunk(s) dedicated for originating 911 emergency service calls from the point of interconnection (POI) to interconnect to each AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router, where applicable. Where SS7 connectivity is available and required by the applicable E911 Customer, the Parties agree to implement Common Channel Signaling trunking rather than CAMA MF trunking.
 - 4.2.3.1 CLEC is responsible for providing a separate E911 trunk group for each county or other geographic area that the CLEC serves if the E911 Customer for such county or geographic area has a specified varying default routing condition. Where PSAPs do not have the technical capability to receive 10-digit ANI, E911 traffic must be transmitted over a separate trunk group specific to the underlying technology. In addition, 911 traffic originating in one (1) NPA (area code) must be transmitted over a separate 911 trunk group from 911 traffic originating in any other NPA (area code) 911.
 - 4.2.4 CLEC shall maintain facility transport capacity sufficient to route 911 traffic over trunks dedicated for 911 interconnection between the CLEC switch and the AT&T ILLINOIS Selective Router.
 - 4.2.5 CLEC shall provide sufficient trunking to route CLEC's originating 911 calls to the designated AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router.
 - 4.2.6 A diverse (i.e. separate) 911 Trunk is recommended and may be required by the E911 Customer. If required by the E911 Customer, diverse 911 Trunks shall be ordered in the same fashion as the primary 911 Trunks. CLEC is responsible for initiating trunking and facility orders for diverse routes for 911 interconnection.
 - 4.2.7 CLEC is responsible for determining the proper quantity of trunks and transport facilities from its switch(es) to interconnect with the AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router.
 - 4.2.8 CLEC shall engineer its 911 trunks to attain a minimum P.01 grade of service as measured using the "busy day/busy hour" criteria or, if higher, at such other minimum grade of service as required by Applicable Law.
 - 4.2.9 CLEC shall monitor its 911 trunks for the purpose of determining originating network traffic volumes. If CLEC's traffic study indicates that additional 911 trunks are needed to meet the current level of 911 call volumes, CLEC shall provision additional 911 trunks for interconnection with AT&T ILLINOIS.

- 4.2.10 CLEC is responsible for the isolation, coordination and restoration of all 911 facility and trunking maintenance problems from CLEC's demarcation (for example, collocation) to the AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router(s). CLEC is responsible for advising AT&T ILLINOIS of the 911 trunk identification and the fact that the trunks are dedicated for 911 traffic when notifying AT&T ILLINOIS of a failure or outage. The Parties agree to work cooperatively and expeditiously to resolve any 911 outage. AT&T ILLINOIS will refer network trouble to CLEC if no defect is found in AT&T ILLINOIS' 911 network. The Parties agree that 911 network problem resolution will be managed expeditiously at all times.
- 4.3 Database (applicable to all CLECs)
- 4.3.1 Once the 911 interconnection between CLEC and all appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS Selective Router(s) has been established and tested, CLEC or its representatives shall be responsible for providing CLEC's End User 911 Records to AT&T ILLINOIS for inclusion in AT&T ILLINOIS' DBMS on a timely basis.
- 4.3.2 CLEC or its agent shall provide initial and ongoing updates of CLEC's End User 911 Records that are MSAG-valid in electronic format based upon established NENA standards.
- 4.3.3 CLEC shall adopt use of a Company ID on all CLEC End User 911 Records in accordance with NENA standards. The Company ID is used to identify the carrier of record in facility configurations.
- 4.3.4 CLEC is responsible for providing AT&T ILLINOIS updates to the E911 database; in addition, CLEC is responsible for correcting any errors that may occur during the entry of their data to the AT&T ILLINOIS 911 DBMS.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOTH PARTIES

- 5.1 For CLECs with their own switch(es), both parties shall jointly coordinate the provisioning of transport capacity sufficient to route originating E911 calls from the CLEC's POI to the designated AT&T ILLINOIS 911 Selective Router(s).
- 5.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC will cooperate to promptly test all trunks and facilities between CLEC's network and the AT&T ILLINOIS Selective Router(s). CLEC agrees that it will not pass live traffic until successful testing is completed by both Parties.
- 5.2 911 Surcharge Remittance to PSAP
- 5.2.1 For CLECs with their own switch(es), the Parties agree that:
- 5.2.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is not responsible for collecting and remitting applicable 911 surcharges or fees directly to municipalities or government entities where such surcharges or fees are assessed by said municipality or government entity, and
- 5.2.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS is not responsible for providing the 911 Customer detailed monthly listings of the actual number of access lines, or breakdowns between the types of access lines (e.g., residential, business, payphone, Centrex, PBX, and exempt lines).
- 5.2.2 For CLEC Resellers, except where state law requires the ILEC to serve as a clearinghouse between Resellers and PSAPs, the Parties agree that:
- 5.2.2.1 CLEC shall be responsible for collecting and remitting all applicable 911 fees and surcharges on a per line basis to the appropriate PSAP or other governmental authority responsible for collection of such fees and surcharges.
- 5.2.2.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall include Reseller CLEC information when providing the 911 Customer with detailed monthly listings of the actual number of access lines, or breakdowns between the types of access lines (e.g., residential, business, payphone, Centrex, PBX, and exempt lines).

6. METHODS AND PRACTICES

- 6.1 With respect to all matters covered by this Appendix, each Party will comply with all of the following to the extent that they apply to access to 911 and E911 Databases: (i) all FCC and applicable state Commission rules and regulations, (ii) any requirements imposed by any Governmental Authority other than a Commission, (iii) the terms and conditions of AT&T ILLINOIS' Commission-ordered tariff(s) and (iv) the principles expressed in the recommended standards published by NENA.

7. CONTINGENCY

- 7.1 The terms and conditions of this Appendix represent a negotiated plan for providing access to 911 and E911 Databases, and provide interconnection and call routing for purposes of 911 call completion to a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) as required by Section 251 of the Act.
- 7.2 The Parties agree that the 911 System is provided herein is for the use of the E911 Customer, and recognize the authority of the E911 Customer to establish service specifications and grant final approval (or denial) of service configurations offered by AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC. These specifications shall be documented in Exhibit I, CLEC Serving Area Description and E911 Interconnection Details. CLEC shall complete its portion of Exhibit I and submit it to AT&T ILLINOIS not later than forty-five (45) days prior to the passing of live traffic. AT&T ILLINOIS shall complete its portion of Exhibit I and return Exhibit I to CLEC not later than thirty (30) days prior to the passing of live traffic.
- 7.3 CLEC must obtain documentation of approval of the completed Exhibit I from the appropriate E911 Customer(s) that have jurisdiction in the area(s) in which CLEC's End Users are located CLEC shall provide documentation of all requisite approval(s) to AT&T ILLINOIS prior to use of CLEC's E911 connection for actual emergency calls.
- 7.4 Each Party has designated a representative who has the authority to complete additional Exhibit(s) I to this Appendix when necessary to accommodate expansion of the geographic area of CLEC into the jurisdiction of additional PSAP(s) or to increase the number of CAMA trunks. CLEC must obtain approval of each additional Exhibit I, as set forth in Section 7.2, and shall furnish documentation of all requisite approval(s) of each additional Exhibit I in accordance with Section 7.2.
- 7.5 The state specific forms shall be submitted in lieu of the Exhibit 1 referenced in Sections 7.1, 7.2 and 7.4 hereof.

8. BASIS OF COMPENSATION

- 8.1 Rates for access to 911 and E911 Databases, interconnection and call routing of E911 call completion to a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) as required by Section 251 of the Act are set forth in AT&T ILLINOIS' Appendix Pricing or applicable AT&T ILLINOIS Commission-approved access tariff.

9. LIABILITY

- 9.1 AT&T ILLINOIS' liability and potential damages, if any, for its gross negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct, is not limited by any provision of this Appendix. AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be liable to CLEC, its End Users or its E911 calling parties or any other parties or persons for any Loss arising out of the 911 System or any errors, interruptions, defects, failures or malfunctions of the 911 System, including any and all equipment and data processing systems associated therewith. Damages arising out of such interruptions, defects, failures or malfunctions of the system after AT&T ILLINOIS has been notified and has had reasonable time to repair, shall in no event exceed an amount equivalent to any charges made for the service affected for the period following notice from CLEC until service is restored.
- 9.2 CLEC's liability and potential damages, if any, for its gross negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct is not limited by any provision of this Appendix. In the event CLEC provides E911 Service to AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC shall not be liable to AT&T ILLINOIS, its End Users or its E911 calling parties or any other parties or persons for any Loss arising out of the provision of E911 Service or any errors, interruptions, defects, failures or malfunctions of E911 Service, including any and all equipment and data

- processing systems associated therewith. Damages arising out of such interruptions, defects, failures or malfunctions of the system after CLEC has been notified and has had reasonable time to repair, shall in no event exceed an amount equivalent to any charges made for the service affected for the period following notice from AT&T ILLINOIS until service is restored.
- 9.3 CLEC agrees to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS from any and all Loss arising out of AT&T ILLINOIS providing CLEC access to the 911 System hereunder or out of CLEC's End Users' use of the 911 System, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by CLEC, its End Users, or by any other parties or persons, for any personal injury or death of any person or persons, or for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by CLEC, its End Users or others, unless the act or omission proximately causing the Loss constitutes gross negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct of AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 9.4 CLEC also agrees to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS from any and all Loss involving an allegation of the infringement or invasion of the right of privacy or confidentiality of any person or persons, caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, occasion or use of the 911 System features and the equipment associated therewith, including by not limited to the identification of the telephone number, address or name associated with the telephone used by the party or parties accessing the 911 System provided hereunder, unless the act or omission proximately causing the Loss constitutes the gross negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct of AT&T ILLINOIS.

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APPENDIX ITR (Interconnection Trunking Requirements)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for Interconnection provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC).
- 1.2 This Appendix provides descriptions of the trunking requirements between CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS. Any references to incoming and outgoing trunk groups are from the perspective of CLEC. The paragraphs below describe the required and optional trunk groups for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, IntraLATA Toll Traffic, InterLATA "Meet Point" Traffic, Mass Calling, E911, Operator Services and Directory Assistance traffic.
- 1.3 Local Only and Local Interconnection Trunk Groups may only be used to transport traffic between the Parties' End Users.
- 1.4 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.5 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "Access Tandem Switch" is defined as a switching machine within the public switched telecommunications network that is used to connect and switch trunk circuits between and among End Office Switches for IXC (Inter-exchange Carrier) carried traffic and IntraLATA Toll Traffic as well as switching Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic in AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 2.2 "End Office" or "End Office Switch" is a switching machine that directly terminates traffic to and receives traffic from end users purchasing local exchange services. A PBX is not considered an End Office Switch.
- 2.3 "IntraLATA Toll Traffic" or "IntraLATA Toll" is defined as traffic between one AT&T ILLINOIS local calling area and the local calling area of another AT&T ILLINOIS or LEC within one LATA within the respective state.
- 2.4 "IntraLATA Toll Trunk Group" is defined as a trunk group carrying IntraLATA Toll Traffic as defined above.
- 2.5 "ISP-Bound Traffic" is as defined in Attachment: Intercarrier Compensation.
- 2.6 "Local Interconnection Trunk Groups" are two-way trunk groups used to carry Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic between CLEC End Users and AT&T ILLINOIS End Users.
- 2.7 "Local/IntraLATA Tandem Switch" is defined as a switching machine within the public switched telecommunications network that is used to connect and switch trunk circuits between and among subtending End Office Switches for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic.
- 2.8 "Local Only Tandem Switch" is defined as a switching machine within the public switched telecommunications network that is used to connect and switch trunk circuits between and among other End Office Switches for Section 251(b)(5) and ISP-Bound Traffic.
- 2.9 "Local Only Trunk Groups" are two-way trunk groups used to carry Section 251(b)(5) and ISP-Bound Traffic only.
- 2.10 "Local Tandem" refers to any Local Only, Local/IntraLATA, Local/Access or Access Tandem Switch serving a particular local calling area.

- 2.11 "Meet Point Trunk Group" carries traffic between CLEC's End Users and Interexchange Carriers (IXCs) via AT&T ILLINOIS Access or Local/Access Tandem Switches.
- 2.12 "Offers Service" is defined as when CLEC opens an NPA-NXX, ports a number to serve an End User or pools a block of numbers to serve End Users.
- 2.13 "Section 251(b)(5) Traffic" is as defined in Attachment: Intercarrier Compensation.
- 2.14 "Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic" shall mean for purposes of this Attachment, (i) Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, (ii) ISP-Bound Traffic, (iii) IntraLATA Toll traffic originating from an End User obtaining local dialtone from CLEC where CLEC is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and IntraLATA Toll provider, and/or (iv) IntraLATA Toll traffic originating from an End User obtaining local dialtone from AT&T ILLINOIS where AT&T ILLINOIS is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and IntraLATA Toll provider.

3. ONE-WAY AND TWO-WAY TRUNK GROUPS

- 3.1 CLEC shall issue Access Service Requests (ASRs) for two-way Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection Trunk Groups and Meet Point Trunk Groups. CLEC shall issue ASRs for one-way trunk groups originating at CLEC's switch. AT&T ILLINOIS shall issue ASRs for one-way trunk groups originating at the AT&T ILLINOIS switch.
- 3.2 Trunk groups for ancillary services (e.g. OS/DA, BLVI, High Volume Call In, and E911) and Meet Point Trunk Groups can be established between CLEC's switch and the appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS Tandem Switch as further provided in this Appendix ITR.
- 3.3 Two-way Local Interconnection Trunk Groups can be established between CLEC's switch and an AT&T ILLINOIS Local Tandem or End Office Switch. Two-way Local Only Trunk Groups can be established between CLEC's switch and an AT&T ILLINOIS Local Tandem. These trunk groups will utilize Signaling System 7 (SS7) or multi-frequency (MF) signaling protocol, with SS7 signaling preferred whenever possible.
- 3.4 The Parties recognize that embedded one-way trunks may exist for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic. The Parties may agree to negotiate a transition plan to migrate the embedded one-way Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to two-way Local Only and/or two-way Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. The Parties will coordinate any such migration, trunk group prioritization, and implementation schedule. AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to develop a cutover plan and project manage the cutovers with CLEC participation and agreement.

4. TANDEM TRUNKING AND DIRECT END OFFICE TRUNKING

- 4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS deploys in its network Local Only Tandem Switches, Local/Access Tandem Switches and Access Tandem Switches. In addition AT&T ILLINOIS deploys Tandems that switch ancillary traffic such as E911 (E911 Tandem or E911 Selective Routing Tandem), Operator Services/ Directory Assistance (OS/DA Tandem), and Mass Calling (choke Tandem).
- 4.2 CLEC shall establish Local Only or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to all Local Tandems in the LATA in which CLEC Offers Service in, AT&T ILLINOIS. If CLEC Offers Service in a LATA in which there is no AT&T Local Tandem, CLEC shall establish Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to each AT&T ILLINOIS End Office Switch in that LATA in which it Offers Service CLEC shall route appropriate traffic (i.e. only traffic to End Offices that subtend that Local Tandem) to the respective AT&T ILLINOIS Local Tandem on the trunk groups defined below. AT&T ILLINOIS shall route appropriate traffic to CLEC switches on the trunk groups defined below
- 4.3 Direct End Office Trunk Group(s) (DEOTs) transport Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic between CLEC's switch and an AT&T ILLINOIS End Office and are not switched at a Local Tandem location. CLEC shall establish a two-way Direct End Office Trunk Group when actual or projected End Office Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic requires twenty-four (24) or more trunks. Once provisioned, traffic from CLEC to AT&T ILLINOIS must be redirected to route first to the DEOT with overflow traffic alternate routed to the appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS Local Tandem. If an AT&T ILLINOIS End Office does not subtend an

AT&T ILLINOIS Local Tandem, a direct final Direct End Office Trunk Group will be established by CLEC, and there will be no overflow of Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic.

- 4.4 All traffic received by AT&T ILLINOIS on the DEOT from CLEC must terminate in the End Office, i.e. no Tandem switching will be performed in the End Office. Where End Office functionality is provided in a Remote End Office Switch of a host/remote configuration, CLEC shall establish the DEOT at the host switch. The number of digits to be received by the AT&T ILLINOIS End Office shall be mutually agreed upon by the Parties. This trunk group shall be two-way.

4.5 Trunk Configuration

4.5.1 Trunk Configuration AT&T ILLINOIS

- 4.5.1.1 Where available and upon the request of the other Party, each Party shall cooperate to ensure that its trunk groups are configured utilizing the Bipolar 8 Zero Substitution Extended Super Frame (B8ZS ESF) protocol for 64 kbps Clear Channel Capability (64CCC) transmission to allow for ISDN interoperability between the Parties' respective networks. Trunk groups configured for 64CCC and carrying Circuit Switched Data (CSD) ISDN calls shall carry the appropriate Trunk Type Modifier in the CLCI-Message code. Trunk groups configured for 64CCC and not used to carry CSD ISDN calls shall carry a different appropriate Trunk Type Modifier in the CLCI-Message code.

- 4.5.1.2 Any AT&T ILLINOIS switch incapable of handling 64CCC traffic will require that Local Interconnection Trunk Groups be established at those switches using Alternate Mark Inversion (AMI). AT&T shall provide notification of this incapability when and if interconnection to these switches is requested by CLEC.

5. TRUNK GROUPS

- 5.1 When CLEC Offers Service in a Local Exchange Area or LATA, the following trunk groups shall be used to exchange various types of traffic between CLEC End Users and AT&T ILLINOIS End Users.

- 5.2 Each Party shall deliver to the other Party over the Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Group(s) only such traffic that originates and terminates in the same local exchange area.

- 5.3 Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Group(s) in Each LATA: AT&T ILLINOIS.

5.3.1 Tandem Trunking – AT&T ILLINOIS

5.3.1.1 In AT&T ILLINOIS:

- 5.3.1.1.1 Section 251(b)(5) and ISP Bound Traffic shall be routed on Local Only Trunk Groups established at all AT&T Local Only Tandems in the LATA for calls destined to or from all AT&T ILLINOIS End Offices that subtend the designated tandem. These trunk groups shall be two-way and will utilize Signaling System (SS7) signaling.

- 5.3.1.1.2 Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic shall be routed on Local Interconnection Trunk Groups established at all AT&T Local/IntraLATA and, Local/Access, Tandem Switch(es) in the LATA for calls destined to or from all AT&T ILLINOIS End Offices that subtend the designated tandems. These trunk groups shall be two-way and will utilize Signaling System (SS7) signaling.

- 5.4 Meet Point Trunk Group: AT&T ILLINOIS

- 5.4.1 IXC carried traffic shall be transported between CLEC's switch and the AT&T ILLINOIS Access Tandem Switch or Local/Access Tandem Switch over a Meet Point Trunk Group separate from Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic. The Meet Point Trunk Group will be established for the transmission and routing of exchange access traffic between CLEC's End Users and IXCs via a AT&T ILLINOIS Access Tandem Switch or Local/Access Tandem Switch.

- 5.4.2 Meet Point Trunk Groups shall be provisioned as two-way and will utilize SS7 signaling, except multifrequency ("MF") signaling will be used on a separate Meet Point Trunk Group to complete originating calls to switched access customers that use MF FGD signaling protocol.
- 5.4.3 When AT&T ILLINOIS has more than one Access or Local/Access Tandem Switch in a local exchange area or LATA, CLEC shall establish a Meet Point Trunk Group to every AT&T ILLINOIS Access or Local/Access Tandem Switch where CLEC has homed its NXX code(s).
- 5.4.4 AT&T ILLINOIS will not block switched access customer traffic delivered to any AT&T ILLINOIS Access Tandem Switch or Local/Access Tandem Switch for completion on CLEC's network. The Parties understand and agree that Meet Point trunking arrangements are available and functional only to/from switched access customers who directly connect with any AT&T ILLINOIS Access Tandem Switch or Local/Access Tandem Switch that CLEC's switch subtends in each LATA. In no event will AT&T ILLINOIS be required to route such traffic through more than one of its tandem switches for connection to/from switched access customers. AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no responsibility to ensure that any switched access customer will accept traffic that CLEC directs to the switched access customer.
- 5.4.5 CLEC shall provide all SS7 signaling information including, without limitation, charge number and originating line information ("OLI"). For terminating FGD, AT&T ILLINOIS will pass all SS7 signaling information including, without limitation, CPN if it receives CPN from FGD carriers. All privacy indicators will be honored. Where available, network signaling information such as transit network selection ("TNS") parameter, carrier identification codes ("CIC") (CCS platform) and CIC/OZZ information (non-SS7 environment) will be provided by CLEC wherever such information is needed for call routing or billing. The Parties will follow all OBF adopted standards pertaining to TNS and CIC/OZZ codes.
- 5.5 800/(8YY) Traffic: AT&T ILLINOIS
- 5.5.1 If CLEC chooses AT&T ILLINOIS to handle 800/(8YY) database queries from its switches, all CLEC originating 800/(8YY) traffic will be routed over the Meet Point Trunk Group. This traffic will include a combination of both Interexchange Carrier (IXC) 800/(8YY) service and CLEC 800/(8YY) service that will be identified and segregated by carrier through the database query handled through the AT&T ILLINOIS Access or Local/Access Tandem Switch.
- 5.5.2 All originating Toll Free Service 800/(8YY) calls for which CLEC requests that AT&T ILLINOIS perform the Service Switching Point ("SSP") function (e.g. perform the database query) shall be delivered using GR-394 format over the Meet Point Trunk Group. Carrier Code "0110" and Circuit Code (to be determined for each LATA) shall be used for all such calls.
- 5.5.3 CLEC may handle its own 800/(8YY) database queries from its switch. If so, CLEC will determine the nature (local/intraLATA/interLATA) of the 800/(8YY) call based on the response from the database. If the query determines that the call is a local or IntraLATA 800/(8YY) number, CLEC will route the post-query local or IntraLATA converted ten-digit local number to AT&T ILLINOIS over the Local Interconnection Trunk Group. In such case, CLEC is to provide an 800/(8YY) billing record when appropriate. If the query reveals the call is an InterLATA 800/(8YY) number, CLEC will route the post-query inter-LATA call (800/(8YY) number) directly from its switch for carriers interconnected with its network or over the Meet Point Trunk Group to carriers not directly connected to its network but are connected to AT&T ILLINOIS' Access or Local/Access Tandem Switch. Calls will be routed to AT&T ILLINOIS over the Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups or Meet Point Trunk Groups within the LATA in which the calls originate.
- 5.5.4 All post-query Toll Free Service 800/(8YY) calls for which CLEC performs the SSP function, if delivered to AT&T ILLINOIS, shall be delivered using GR-394 format over the Meet Point Trunk Group for calls destined to IXCs, or shall be delivered by CLEC using GR-317 format over the Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Group for calls destined to End Offices that directly subtend the tandem.

5.6 E911 Trunk Group

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

5.6.1 The parties agree to cooperate to promptly test all E911 trunks and facilities between CLEC's network and the AT&T ILLINOIS E911 Selective Routing Tandem to assure proper functioning of E911 service. The Parties agree not to turn up live traffic until successful testing is completed by both Parties.

5.7 High Volume Call In (HVCI) / Mass Calling (Choke) Trunk Group: AT&T ILLINOIS

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

5.7.2 This group shall be sized as follows:

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

5.7.3 If CLEC should acquire a HVCI/Mass Calling customer, i.e. a radio station, CLEC shall notify AT&T ILLINOIS at least 60 days in advance of the need to establish a one-way outgoing SS7 or MF trunk group from the AT&T ILLINOIS HVCI/Mass Calling Serving Office to the CLEC customer's serving office. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

5.7.4 If CLEC finds it necessary to issue a new choke telephone number to a new or existing HVCI/Mass Calling customer, CLEC may request a meeting to coordinate with AT&T ILLINOIS the assignment of HVCI/Mass Calling telephone number from the existing choke NXX. In the event that the CLEC establishes a new choke NXX, CLEC must notify AT&T ILLINOIS a minimum of ninety (90) days prior to deployment of the new HVCI/Mass Calling NXX. AT&T ILLINOIS will perform the necessary translations in its End Offices and Tandem(s) and issue ASRs to establish a one-way outgoing SS7

or MF trunk group from the AT&T ILLINOIS Public Response HVCI/Mass Calling Network Access Tandem to CLEC's choke serving office.

5.8 Operator Services/Directory Assistance Trunk Group(s)

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

5.8.2 If AT&T ILLINOIS agrees through a separate appendix or contract to provide Directory Assistance and/or Operator Services for CLEC the following trunk groups are required:

5.8.2.1 Directory Assistance (DA)

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

5.8.2.2 Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC)

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

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

5.8.2.3.1 When AT&T ILLINOIS' operator is under contract to verify the busy status of CLEC End Users, AT&T ILLINOIS will utilize a segregated one-way with MF signaling trunk group from AT&T ILLINOIS' Operator Services Tandem to CLEC switch. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

5.8.2.4 Operator Assistance (0+, 0-)

5.8.2.4.1 This service requires a one-way trunk group from CLEC switch to AT&T ILLINOIS' Operator Services Tandem. Two types of trunk groups may be utilized. If the trunk group transports DA/DACC, the trunk group will be designated with the appropriate traffic use code and modifier. If DA is not required or is transported on a segregated trunk group, then the group will be designated with a different appropriate traffic use code and modifier. Modified Operator Services Signaling (2 Digit ANI) will be required on the trunk group. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.

5.8.2.5 Digit-Exchange Access Operator Services Signaling

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

5.8.2.6 OS QUESTIONNAIRE

5.8.2.6.1 If CLEC chooses AT&T ILLINOIS to provide either OS and/or DA, then CLEC agrees to accurately complete the OS Questionnaire prior to submitting ASRs for OS and DA trunks.

6. TRUNK FORECASTING RESPONSIBILITIES: AT&T ILLINOIS

- 6.1 CLEC agrees to provide an initial forecast for all trunk groups described in this Appendix ITR. AT&T ILLINOIS shall review this trunk forecast and provide any additional information that may impact the trunk forecast information provided by CLEC. Subsequent trunk forecasts shall be provided on a semi-annual basis, not later than January 1 and July 1 in order to be considered in the semi-annual publication of the AT&T ILLINOIS General Trunk Forecast. Parties agree to the use of Common Language Location Identification (CLLI) coding and Common Language Circuit Identification for Message Trunk coding (CLCI-MSG) which is described in TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES documents BR795-100-100 and BR795-400-100 respectively. Inquiries pertaining to use of TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES Common Language Standards and document availability should be directed to TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES at 1-800-521-2673.
- 6.2 The semi-annual forecasts shall include:
- 6.2.1 Yearly forecasted trunk quantities for all trunk groups required in this Appendix for a minimum of three (current plus 2 future) years; and
- 6.2.2 A description of major network projects anticipated for the following six months. Major network projects include trunking or network rearrangements, shifts in anticipated traffic patterns, orders greater than four (4) DS1s, or other activities that are reflected by a significant increase or decrease in trunking demand for the following forecasting period.
- 6.2.3 The Parties shall agree on these forecasts to ensure efficient trunk utilization. For forecast quantities that are in dispute, the Parties shall make all reasonable efforts to develop a mutually agreeable forecast.
- 6.2.4 Orders for trunks that exceed forecasted quantities for forecasted locations will be accommodated as mutually agreed to by the Parties. Parties shall make all reasonable efforts and cooperate in good faith to develop alternative solutions to accommodate these orders.
- 6.3 CLEC shall be responsible for forecasting two-way trunk groups. AT&T ILLINOIS shall be responsible for forecasting the one-way trunk groups terminating to CLEC and CLEC shall be responsible for forecasting the one-way trunk groups terminating to AT&T ILLINOIS, unless otherwise specified in this Appendix.
- 6.4 Each Party shall provide a specified point of contact for planning and forecasting purposes.

7. TRUNK DESIGN BLOCKING CRITERIA: AT&T ILLINOIS

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

TABLE 1

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

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

8. TRUNK SERVICING: AT&T ILLINOIS

- 8.1 Orders between the Parties to establish, add, change or disconnect trunks shall be processed by using an Access Service Request (ASR). CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on two-way trunk groups.
- 8.2 Both Parties will jointly manage the capacity of Local Only, Local Interconnection, and Meet Point Trunk Groups. Both Parties may send a Trunk Group Service Request (TGSR) to the other Party to trigger changes to the Local Only, Local Interconnection, and Meet Point Trunk Groups based on capacity assessment. The TGSR is a standard industry support interface developed by the Ordering and Billing Forum of the Carrier liaison Committee of the Alliance for Telecommunications Solutions (ATIS) organization. TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES Special Report STS000316 describes the format and use of the TGSR. Contact TELCORDIA TECHNOLOGIES at 1-800-521-2673 regarding the documentation availability and use of this form.
- 8.3 Utilization: Utilization shall be defined as Trunks Required as a percentage of Trunks In Service.
 - 8.3.1 In A Blocking Situation (Over-utilization)
 - 8.3.1.1 In a blocking situation, CLEC is responsible for issuing ASRs on all two-way Local Only, Local Interconnection and Meet Point Trunk Groups and one-way CLEC originating Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to reduce measured blocking to design objective blocking levels based on analysis of trunk group data. If an ASR is not issued, AT&T ILLINOIS will issue a TGSR. CLEC will issue an ASR within three (3) business days after receipt and review of the TGSR. If CLEC cannot issue an ASR in response to AT&T ILLINOIS' TGSR within the specified timeframe, CLEC will contact AT&T ILLINOIS within 1 business day of receipt of the TGSR to specify the reason(s) why the ASR can not be issued within the specified timeframe. AT&T ILLINOIS may agree to extend the timeframe by which the ASR is submitted. Such timeframe shall not exceed 5 days from the date in which CLEC received the TGSR. CLEC will note "Service Affecting" on the ASR.
 - 8.3.1.2 In a blocking situation, AT&T ILLINOIS is responsible for issuing ASRs on one-way AT&T originating Local Only and/or Local Interconnection Trunk Groups to reduce measured blocking to design objective blocking levels based on analysis of trunk group data. If an ASR is not issued, CLEC will issue a TGSR. AT&T ILLINOIS will issue an ASR within three (3) business days after receipt and review of the TGSR.
 - 8.3.1.3 If an alternate final Local Only Trunk Group or Local Interconnection Trunk Group is at seventy-five percent (75%) utilization, a TGSR is sent to CLEC for the final and all subtending high usages that are contributing any amount of overflow to the alternate final route.
 - 8.3.1.4 If a direct final Meet Point Trunk Group is at seventy-five percent (75%) utilization, a TGSR shall be sent to CLEC.
 - 8.3.2 Underutilization
 - 8.3.2.1 Underutilization of Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection Trunk Groups and Meet Point Trunk Groups exists when provisioned capacity is greater than the current need. Those situations where more capacity exists than actual usage requires will be handled in the following manner:
 - 8.3.2.1.1 If a Local Only Trunk Group, Local Interconnection Trunk Group or a Meet Point Trunk Group is under seventy-five percent (75%) of CCS capacity on a monthly average basis, for each month of any three (3) consecutive months period, either Party may request the issuance of an order to resize the Local Only Trunk Group, Local Interconnection Trunk Group or the Meet Point Trunk Group, which shall be left with not less than twenty-five percent (25%) excess capacity. In all cases, grade of service objectives shall be maintained.

- 8.3.2.1.2 Either party may send a TGSR to the other Party to trigger changes to the Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection Trunk Groups or Meet Point Trunk Groups based on capacity assessment. Upon receipt of a TGSR, the receiving Party will issue an ASR to the other Party within twenty (20) business days after receipt of the TGSR.
 - 8.3.2.1.3 Upon review of the TGSR, if a Party does not agree with the resizing, the Parties will schedule a joint planning discussion within the twenty (20) business days. The Parties will meet to resolve and mutually agree to the disposition of the TGSR.
 - 8.3.2.1.4 If AT&T ILLINOIS does not receive an ASR, or if CLEC does not respond to the TGSR by scheduling a joint discussion within the twenty (20) business day period, AT&T ILLINOIS will attempt to contact CLEC to schedule a joint planning discussion. If CLEC will not agree to meet within an additional five (5) business days and present adequate reason for keeping trunks operational, AT&T ILLINOIS reserves the right to issue ASRs to resize the Local Only Trunk Groups, Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, or Meet Point Trunk Groups.
- 8.4 Projects require the coordination and execution of multiple orders or related activities between and among AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC work groups, including but not limited to the initial establishment of Local Only, Local Interconnection or Meet Point Trunk Groups and service in an area, NXX code moves, re-homes, facility grooming, or network rearrangements.
- 8.4.1 Orders that comprise a project, i.e. greater than four (4) DS1s, shall be submitted at the same time, and their implementation shall be jointly planned and coordinated as soon as is reasonably practicable.
- 8.5 Projects-Tandem Rehomes/Switch Conversion/Major Network Projects
- 8.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will advise CLEC of all projects significantly affecting CLEC trunking. Such Projects may include Tandem Rehomes, Switch Conversions and other major network changes. An Accessible Letter with project details will be issued at least 6 months prior to the project due dates. AT&T ILLINOIS will follow with a Trunk Group Service Request (TGSR) approximately 4 to 6 months before the due date of the project. A separate TGSR will be issued for each CLEC trunk group and will specify the required CLEC ASR issue date. Failure to submit ASR(s) by the required date may result in AT&T ILLINOIS ceasing to deliver traffic until the ASR(s) are received and processed.

9. TRUNK DATA EXCHANGE: AT&T ILLINOIS

- 9.1 The Parties agree to exchange traffic data on two-way trunk groups and to implement such an exchange within three (3) months of the date that two-way trunking is established and the trunk groups begin passing live traffic, or another date is agreed to by the Parties.
- 9.2 Exchange of traffic data enables each Party to make accurate and independent assessments of trunk group service levels and requirements. The Parties may agree to establish a timeline for implementing an exchange of traffic data utilizing the DIXC process via a Network Data Mover (NDM) or FTP computer to computer file transfer process. Implementation shall be within three (3) months of the date, or such date as agreed upon, that the trunk groups begin passing live traffic. The traffic data to be exchanged will be the Originating Attempt Peg Count, Usage (measured in Hundred Call Seconds), Overflow Peg Count, and Maintenance Usage (measured in Hundred Call Seconds on a seven (7) day per week, twenty-four (24) hour per day, fifty-two (52) weeks per year basis). The Parties agree that twenty (20) business days is the study period duration objective. However, on occasion a study period may be less than twenty (20) business days but at minimum must be at least three (3) business days to be utilized for engineering

purposes, although with less statistical confidence. For AT&T originated one-way, or for any two-way trunk groups, these reports can be made available weekly upon request.

- 9.3 A trunk group utilization report (TIKI) is available upon request. The report is provided in an MS-Excel format. TIKI can be requested via CLEC online website.

10. NETWORK MANAGEMENT: AT&T ILLINOIS

10.1 Restrictive Controls

- 10.1.1 Either Party may use protective network traffic management controls such as 7-digit and 10-digit code gaps set at appropriate levels on traffic toward each other's network, when required, to protect the public switched network from congestion due to facility failures, switch congestion, or failure or focused overload. CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will immediately notify each other of any protective control action planned or executed.

10.2 Expansive Controls

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

10.3 Mass Calling

- 10.3.1 CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS shall cooperate and share pre-planning information regarding cross-network call-ins expected to generate large or focused temporary increases in call volumes.

11. OUT OF EXCHANGE TRAFFIC

- 11.1 Interconnection services are available in accordance with section 251(a)(1) of the Act for the purposes of exchanging traffic to/from a non-AT&T incumbent exchange and consistent with the Appendix Out of Exchange Traffic.

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APPENDIX INW (Inward Assistance Operator Services)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for Inward Assistance Operator Services for switched-based CLEC's or CLEC's leasing Lawful unbundled switched ports as provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.3 AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.
- 1.4 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

2. SERVICES

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

3. DEFINITIONS

- 3.1 "General Assistance" - A service in which an operator calls the Inward Assistance operator seeking assistance in dialing a number. The assistance could be required, for example, for attempting to dial a number where a 'no ring' condition has been encountered.
- 3.2 "Busy Line Verification" - A service in which an operator asks the Inward Assistance operator to verify a conversation in progress.
- 3.3 "Busy Line Verification/ Interrupt" - A service in which an operator asks the Inward Assistance operator to interrupt a conversation in progress, to determine if one of the parties is willing to speak to the caller requesting the interrupt.
- 3.4 "Toll Center Code" - Refers to a three digit Access Tandem Code (ATC) code that uniquely identifies a tandem switch in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG) designated as providing access to operator services functions. An operator dials the appropriate area code + ATC + OPR SVC CODE to obtain Inward Assistance.
- 3.5 "Operator Service Code" - Refers to the operator dialable code assigned in the LERG for Inward Assistance.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 4.1 To the extent that a Party elects, in its sole discretion, to interconnect with the other Party's Operator assistance switches, the Parties' responsibilities are described below:
 - 4.1.1 It is the responsibility of the CLEC to order the necessary facilities to interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS Operator assistance switch(es). It is the responsibility of AT&T ILLINOIS to provide the

necessary facilities to the CLEC's point of presence in the local exchange area/LATA to interconnect with the CLEC's Operator assistance switches.

- 4.1.2 The CLEC will initiate an ASR for a one-way trunk group from its designated Operator assistance switch to the AT&T ILLINOIS Operator assistance switch utilizing MF signaling. Likewise, AT&T ILLINOIS will initiate an ASR for a one-way MF signaling trunk group from its Operator assistance switch to the CLEC's designated Operator assistance switch.
- 4.2 CLEC will furnish request for service in writing to AT&T ILLINOIS, thirty calendar (30) days in advance of the date when the Inward Assistance Operator Services are to be undertaken, unless otherwise agreed to by AT&T ILLINOIS. CLEC or its designated operator services providers shall submit Access Service Requests (ASRs) to AT&T ILLINOIS to establish any new interconnection trunking arrangements.
- 4.3 The requester of this Inward Assistance Operator Services service agreement must provide one Carrier Identification Code (CIC) for its CLEC or Independent Exchange Carrier business operation and one for its InterExchange Carrier (IXC) business operation if the requesting company wishes to receive billing data in a format that separates the service provided to the two business operations.

5. TOLL CENTER CODES

- 5.1 Toll Center Codes will be used by the CLEC Operators for routing and connecting to the AT&T ILLINOIS Operator assistance switches. These codes are specific to the various AT&T ILLINOIS LATA's where AT&T ILLINOIS Operator assistance switches are located.
- 5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS Operator Services will require a Toll Center Code for the CLEC Operator Services assistance switch. This code will be the routing code used for connecting the AT&T ILLINOIS Operator to the CLEC Operator on an Inward basis.
- 5.3 If the CLEC requires establishment of a new Toll Center Code, CLEC shall do so by referencing the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG).

6. PRICING

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

7. MONTHLY BILLING

- 7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will render monthly billing statements to CLEC, and remittance in full will be due within thirty (30) days of receipt. CLEC will render monthly billing to AT&T ILLINOIS and remittance in full will be due within thirty (30) days of receipt.

8. LIABILITY

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

9. TERMS OF APPENDIX

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

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EXHIBIT I

SERVING AREA

OPERATOR SERVICES PROVIDER LOCATION:

CLEC SWITCH SERVING LOCATIONS:

<u>CITY</u>	<u>NPA-NXX</u>	<u>LATA</u>
Dixon		
Galesburg		
Pekin		

ADDITIONAL SHEETS SHOULD BE ADDED AS REQUIRED.

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APPENDIX NIM (NETWORK INTERCONNECTION METHODS)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions that Network Interconnection Methods (NIM) are provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC). This Appendix describes the physical architecture for Interconnection of the Parties' facilities and equipment for the transmission and routing of Telephone Exchange Service traffic and Exchange Access traffic between the respective End Users of the Parties pursuant to Section 251(c)(2) of the Act; provided, however, interconnection may not be used solely for the purpose of originating a Party's own interexchange traffic.
- 1.2 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.4 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide, for CLEC's facilities and equipment, interconnection for the transmission and routing of telephone exchange service and exchange access, at a level of quality that is equal to that which AT&T ILLINOIS provides itself, a subsidiary, an affiliate, or any other party to which AT&T ILLINOIS provides Interconnection and on rates, terms and conditions that are just, reasonable and non-discriminatory.
- 1.5 Network Interconnection Methods (NIMs) include, but are not limited to, Physical Collocation; Virtual Collocation; Fiber Meet Point; and other technically feasible method of obtaining interconnection which is incorporated into the Interconnection Agreement by amendment. One or more of these methods may be used to effect the Interconnection pursuant to Section 25(c)(2) of the Act.

2. NETWORK INTERCONNECTION ARCHITECTURE PLAN

- 2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS' network is partly comprised of End Office switches, Local Only Tandem Switches, Local/IntraLATA Tandem Switches, Local/Access Tandem Switches, and Access Tandem Switches. AT&T ILLINOIS' network architecture in any given local exchange area and/or LATA can vary markedly from another local exchange area/LATA. Using one or more of the NIMs herein, the Parties will agree to a physical architecture plan for a specific Interconnection area. A physical architecture plan will, at a minimum, include the location of CLEC's switch(es) and AT&T ILLINOIS' End Office switch(es) and/or Tandem switch(es) to be interconnected, the facilities that will connect the two networks and which Party will provide (be financially responsible for) the interconnection facilities. At the time of implementation in a given local exchange area or LATA the plan will be documented and signed by appropriate representatives of the Parties, indicating their mutual agreement to the physical architecture plan.
- 2.2 Points of Interconnection (POIs): A Point of Interconnection (POI) is a point on the AT&T ILLINOIS network (End Office or Tandem building) where the Parties deliver Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic to each other, and also serves as a demarcation point between the facilities that each Party is responsible to provide.
- 2.3 Each Party is responsible for the facilities to its side of the negotiated POI(s) and may utilize any method of Interconnection described in this Appendix. Each Party is responsible for the appropriate sizing, operation, and maintenance of the transport facility to the POI(s). The parties agree to provide sufficient facilities for the trunk groups required in Appendix ITR for the exchange of traffic between CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 2.4 Types of Points of Interconnection
 - 2.4.1 A "Tandem Serving Area" or "TSA" is an AT&T ILLINOIS area defined by the sum of all local calling areas served by AT&T ILLINOIS End Offices that subtend an AT&T ILLINOIS tandem for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic as defined in the LERG.

- 2.4.2 The Parties will interconnect their network facilities at a minimum of one CLEC designated Point of Interconnection (POI) within AT&T ILLINOIS network in the LATA where CLEC Offers Service.
- 2.4.3 A "Single POI" is a single point of interconnection within a LATA on AT&T ILLINOIS' network that is established to interconnect AT&T ILLINOIS' network and CLEC's network for the exchange of Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic.
- 2.4.4 The Parties agree that CLEC has the right to choose a Single POI or multiple POIs.
- 2.4.5 When CLEC has established a Single POI (or multiple POIs) in a LATA, CLEC agrees to establish an additional POI:
 - (i) at an AT&T ILLINOIS TSA separate from the existing POI arrangement when traffic through the existing POI arrangement to that AT&T ILLINOIS TSA exceeds twenty-four (24) DS1s at peak over three (3) consecutive months, or
 - (ii) at an AT&T ILLINOIS End Office in a local calling area not served by an AT&T ILLINOIS tandem for Section 251(b)(5)/IntraLATA Toll Traffic when traffic through the existing POI arrangement to that local calling area exceeds twenty-four (24) DS1s at peak over three (3) consecutive months.
- 2.4.6 The additional POI(s) will be established within 90 days of notification that the threshold has been met.
- 2.5 Either Party must provide thirty (30) days written notice of any intent to change to the physical architecture plan.
- 2.6 CLEC is solely responsible for the facilities that carry OS/DA, E911, Mass Calling and Meet Point Trunk Groups as specified in Appendix ITR.
- 2.7 Technical Interfaces
 - 2.7.1 The Interconnection facilities provided by each Party shall be formatted using either Alternate Mark Inversion (AMI) line code with Superframe format framing or Bipolar 8 Zero Signaling (B8ZS) with Extended Superframe format framing or any mutually agreeable line coding and framing.
 - 2.7.2 Electrical handoffs at the POI(s) will be at the DS1 or DS3 level. When a DS3 handoff is agreed to by the Parties, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide any multiplexing required for DS1 facilities or trunking at their end and CLEC will provide any DS1 multiplexing required for facilities or trunking at their end.
 - 2.7.3 When the Parties demonstrate the need for Optical handoffs at the OC-n level, the parties will meet to negotiate specific Optical handoff needs.

3. METHODS OF INTERCONNECTION

- 3.1 Physical Collocation
 - 3.1.1 When CLEC provides its own facilities or uses the facilities of a third party to a AT&T ILLINOIS Tandem or End Office building and wishes to place its own transport terminating equipment at that location, CLEC may Interconnect using the provisions of Physical Collocation as set forth in Appendix Collocation.
- 3.2 Virtual Collocation
 - 3.2.1 When CLEC provides its own facilities or uses the facilities of a third party to a AT&T ILLINOIS Tandem or End Office building and wishes for AT&T ILLINOIS to place transport terminating equipment at that location on CLEC's behalf, CLEC may Interconnect using the provisions of Virtual Collocation as set forth in Appendix Collocation. Virtual Collocation allows CLEC to choose the equipment vendor and does not require that CLEC be Physically Collocated.
- 3.3 Fiber Meet Point
 - 3.3.1 Fiber Meet Point between AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC can occur at any mutually agreeable and technically feasible point at an AT&T ILLINOIS Tandem or LATA.

- 3.3.2 When the Parties agree to interconnect their networks pursuant to the Fiber Meet Point, a single point-to-point linear chain SONET system must be utilized. Only Local Interconnection Trunk Groups shall be provisioned over this jointly provided facility.
- 3.3.3 Neither Party will be allowed to access the Data Communications Channel ("DCC") of the other Party's Fiber Optic Terminal (FOT). The Fiber Meet Point will be designed so that each Party may, as far as is technically feasible, independently select the transmission, multiplexing, and fiber terminating equipment to be used on its side of the POI(s). The Parties will work cooperatively to achieve equipment and vendor compatibility of the FOT equipment.
- 3.3.4 Requirements for such Interconnection specifications will be defined in joint engineering planning sessions between the Parties.
- 3.3.5 In addition to the semi-annual trunk forecast process, discussed in Appendix ITR, discussions to provide relief to existing facilities can be initiated by either party. Actual system augmentations will be initiated only upon mutual agreement. Facilities will be planned for to accommodate the verified and mutually agreed upon trunk forecast for the Local Interconnection Trunk Group(s).
- 3.3.6 Both Parties will negotiate a project service date and corresponding work schedule to construct relief facilities prior to facilities exhaust.
- 3.3.7 CLEC will provide fiber cable to the last entrance (or AT&T ILLINOIS designated) manhole at the AT&T ILLINOIS Tandem or End Office building. AT&T ILLINOIS shall make all necessary preparations to receive and to allow and enable CLEC to deliver fiber optic facilities into that manhole. CLEC will provide a sufficient length of Fiber cable for AT&T ILLINOIS to pull through to the AT&T ILLINOIS cable vault. CLEC shall deliver and maintain such strands wholly at its own expense up to the POI. AT&T ILLINOIS shall take the fiber from the manhole and terminate it inside AT&T ILLINOIS'office at the cable vault at AT&T ILLINOIS'expense. In this case the POI shall be at the AT&T ILLINOIS designated manhole location.
- 3.3.8 Each Party shall provide its own source for the synchronized timing of its FOT equipment.
- 3.3.9 CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will mutually agree on the capacity of the FOT(s) to be utilized based on equivalent DS1s or DS3s. Each Party will also agree upon the optical frequency and wavelength necessary to implement the Interconnection. The Parties will develop and agree upon methods for the capacity planning and management for these facilities, terms and conditions for over provisioning facilities, and the necessary processes to implement facilities as indicated in section 4 of this document.
- 3.4 Other Interconnection Methods
 - 3.4.1 The Parties may mutually agree to other methods of obtaining interconnection that are technically feasible which are incorporated into the Interconnection Agreement by amendment.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 4.1 For each local Interconnection within an AT&T ILLINOIS area, CLEC shall provide written notice to AT&T ILLINOIS of the need to establish Interconnection in LATA. (AT&T-2STATE, AT&T CLEC shall provide all applicable network information on forms acceptable to AT&T ILLINOIS (as set forth in AT&T's CLEC Handbook, published on the CLEC website).
- 4.2 Upon receipt of CLEC's notice to interconnect, the Parties shall schedule a meeting to document the network architecture (including trunking) as discussed in Section 2.1. The Interconnection activation date for an Interconnection shall be established based on then-existing force and load, the scope and complexity of the requested Interconnection and other relevant factors.
- 4.3 Either party may add or remove additional switches. The parties shall provide 120 days written notice to establish such Interconnection; and the terms and conditions of this agreement will apply to such Interconnection.

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

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APPENDIX LNP (LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for Local Number Portability mutually provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.

2. LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY (LNP)

2.1 General Terms and Conditions

- 2.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall provide Local Number Portability (LNP) in accordance with requirements of the Act, the rules and orders of the FCC, and the guidelines of the North American Numbering Council (NANC).

2.2 Requirements for LNP

- 2.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall follow industry guidelines, including but not limited to North American Numbering Council (NANC) Inter Service Provider Operations Flows, regarding LNP.
- 2.2.2 Either party shall be permitted to block default -routed calls to protect the public switched telephone network from overload, congestion, or failure propagation.
- 2.2.3 When a ported telephone number becomes vacant, e.g., the telephone number is no longer in service with the original End User, the ported telephone number will be released back to the carrier owning the switch in which the telephone number's NXX is native.
- 2.2.4 Each Party shall become responsible for the End User's other telecommunications related services and features, e.g. E911, Directory Listings, Operator Services, Line Information Database (LIDB), once that Party has ported the End User's telephone number to the Party's switch.

2.3 Limitations of Service

- 2.3.1 Telephone numbers can be ported as a basic network offering only within AT&T ILLINOIS rate centers as approved by State Commissions. "Porting within rate centers" refers to the physical location of the End User. If the End User changes his, her or its physical location from one rate center to another, the End User may not retain his, her or its telephone number (which is associated with the End User's previous rate center) as a basic network (non-FX) offering. An End User may retain his, her or its telephone number when moving from one rate center to another by the use of a tariff FX or Remote Call Forwarding offering from the new service provider. The term "FX," as used in this appendix, refers to number assignments and moves outside the rate centers with which a telephone number is ordinarily associated, and is different from the term "FX" in the Compensation attachment, which refers number assignment and moves outside of a mandatory local calling area.
- 2.3.2 Telephone numbers of the following types shall not be ported: (i) AT&T ILLINOIS Official Communications Services (OCS) NXXs; and (ii) 555, 976, 950, 956, 976 and 900 numbers (iii) N11 numbers (e.g., 411 and 911); (iv) 800, 888, 877 and 866 numbers; and (v) disconnected or unassigned numbers.
- 2.3.3 Telephone numbers with NXXs dedicated to choke/High Volume Call-In (HVCI) networks are not portable via LRN. Choke numbers will be ported as described in Section 5.5 of this Appendix.

2.4 Service Description

- 2.4.1 The LRN software of the switch in which an NXX is native determines if the called party is in a portable NXX. When a calling party places a telephone call, if the called party is in a portable NXX,

a query will be launched to the LNP database to determine whether or not the called number has been ported.

2.4.2 When the called number has been ported, an LRN will be returned to the switch that launched the query. Following the query, the LRN of the called number will appear in the Called Party Number (CdPN) field of the SS7 message and the called number will appear in the Generic Address Parameter (GAP) field.

2.4.3 When the query does not return an LRN, the call will be completed based upon the dialed digits.

2.4.4 When the LNP database is queried, the Forward Call Identifier (FCI) field's entry will be changed from 0 to 1 by the switch triggering the query, regardless of whether the called number has been ported or not.

2.4.5 Where technically feasible, the Parties shall populate the Jurisdictional Identification Parameter (JIP) field with the first six (6) digits (NPA NXX format) of the appropriate LRN of the originating switch.

2.5 Pricing

2.5.1 With the exception of lawful query charges, the parties shall not charge each other for ordering, provisioning, or conversion of ported telephone numbers as a means for the other to recover the costs associated with LNP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, AT&T ILLINOIS may charge CLEC LNP end user surcharges, provided that the conditions set forth in 47 CFR § 52.33 are met.

3. "N-1" Query Methodology

3.1. The parties shall follow the "N-1" query methodology in performing queries of the LNP database, as provided below. As provided by industry standards, the N-1" carrier is the carrier in the call routing sequence immediately prior to the terminating carrier's end office, or the terminating carrier's end office tandem. The "N-1" carrier shall perform the LNP database query. If the "N-1" carrier fails to perform the LNP database query, the terminating carrier shall perform a query of the LNP database, and shall be permitted to change the N-1 carrier for the query.

3.1.1 For interLATA or intraLATA toll calls, the originating carrier will pass the call to the appropriate toll carrier, which will perform a query of the LNP database and efficiently route the call to the appropriate terminating local carrier, either directly or through an access tandem office. Where one carrier is the originating local service provider (LSP) and the other carrier is the designated toll carrier, the designated toll carrier is the "N-1" carrier. The originating LSP will not query toll calls delivered to the toll carrier or charge the toll carrier for such queries.

3.1.2 For local calls to ported numbers, the originating carrier is the "N-1" carrier. The originating carrier will query the LNP database and route the call to the appropriate terminating carrier.

3.1.3 For local calls to any NXX from which at least one number has been ported, the Party that owns the originating switch shall query an LNP database as soon as the call reaches the first LNP-capable switch in the call path. The Party that owns the originating switch shall query on a local call to an NXX in which at least one number has been ported via LNP prior to any attempts to route the call to any other switch. Prior to the first number in an NXX being ported via LNP at the request of a CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS may query all calls directed to that NXX, provided that AT&T ILLINOIS' queries shall not adversely affect the quality of service to CLEC's customers or end-users as compared to the service AT&T ILLINOIS provides its own customers.

3.1.4 A Party shall be charged for an LNP query by the other Party only if the Party to be charged is the N-1 carrier and was obligated to perform the LRN-PNP query but failed to do so, pursuant to conditions set forth in CFR 47, Section 52.33. The only exception will be if the FCC rules (Docket No. 95-116) that the terminating carrier may charge the N-1 carrier for queries initiated before the first number is ported in an NXX.

3.1.5 Rates, terms and conditions for LNP queries performed by AT&T ILLINOIS will be governed by FCC No. 73 Access Services Tariff, Section 34, or a successor tariff.

4. Ordering

- 4.1 Porting of numbers marked as portable in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG) will be initiated via Local Service Requests (LSR) based on Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) recommendations.
 - 4.1.1 When an LSR is sent to one Party by the other Party to initiate porting via LNP, the receiving Party shall return, at the appropriate time, a Firm Order Confirmation (FOC).
 - 4.1.2 For the purposes of this Attachment, the Parties may use a project management approach for the implementation of LSRs for large quantities of ported numbers or for complex porting processes. With regard to such managed projects ("projects"), the parties may negotiate implementation details such as, but not limited to: Due Date, Cutover Intervals and Times, Coordination of Technical Resources, and Completion Notice.

5. Provisioning

- 5.1 The Parties will remove a ported number from the end office from which the number is being ported as close to the requested time as reasonably practicable, not to exceed 59 minutes, except under the conditions listed below in 5.1.1, 5.1.2 and 5.1.3. The 59-minute period shall commence upon the Frame Due Time (FDT) shown on the receiving party's LSR, or as otherwise negotiated by the parties on a project basis. The parties recognize that it is in the best interest of the consumer for this removal to be completed in the most expedient manner possible. Therefore, AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC agree that a 30-minute interval is a goal toward which both companies will work; however, both CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS recognize that there will be instances where the interval may be up to 59 minutes.
 - 5.1.1 Unconditional Ten-Digit Trigger. If the Unconditional Ten-Digit Trigger is set, calls originating from the old switch will query the database and route to the new switch without the number being disconnected. The ported number must be removed at the same time that the unconditional LNP trigger is removed.
 - 5.1.2 Project Orders. For project requests, the Parties will negotiate time frames for the disconnection of the numbers in the old switch.
 - 5.1.3 Coordinated Orders. Orders worked on a coordinated basis will be coordinated until the numbers are disconnected in the old switch.
- 5.2 The Parties agree to provide Unconditional Ten Digit Trigger wherever technically feasible.
- 5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall cooperate in the process of porting numbers from one carrier to another so as to limit service outage for the ported subscriber. AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC will use their best efforts to update their respective Local Service Management Systems (LSMS) from the NPAC SMS data within 15 minutes after receipt of a download from the NPAC SMS (the current North American Numbering Council goal for such updating).
- 5.4 At the time a telephone number is ported via LNP, the Party from which the number is being ported shall insure that the LIDB entry for that number is deprovisioned.
- 5.5 Mass Calling
 - 5.5.1 Both AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall to offer Local Number Portability for telephone numbers with "choke" (i.e., mass calling) NXXs in a manner that complies with the FCC's criteria.
- 5.6 Operator Services, LIDB/LVAS and Directory Assistance
 - 5.6.1 The Provisions of this Agreement pertaining to Operator Services, LIDB/LVAS and Directory Assistance shall also apply when LNP is in place.
- 5.7 Porting of DID Block Numbers
 - 5.7.1 DID block numbers shall be portable in the same manner as other local telephone numbers, subject to the modifications and/or limitations provided herein.

- 5.7.2 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall offer Local Number Portability to customers for any portion of an existing DID block without being required to port the entire block of DID number.
- 5.7.3 AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC shall permit customers which port a portion of DID numbers to retain DID service on the remaining portion of the DID numbers, provided such is consistent with applicable tariffs.

6. USE OF THIRD-PARTY LOCAL SWITCHING PROVIDER

- 6.1 CLEC may use a third-party source for local switching. If CLEC uses a third-party switch provider, CLEC guarantees the third-party provider's performance of any and all obligations under this Appendix, CLEC shall take any and all actions necessary to require the third-party provider to perform those obligations, and CLEC shall indemnify and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS for any failure of either CLEC or the third-party provider, or both, to fully and promptly perform those obligations. Any failure of either the CLEC or its third-party provider, or both, to perform any of the obligations under this Appendix shall constitute a breach by CLEC of the terms and conditions of this Appendix.
- 6.2 If CLEC uses a third-party source for local switching, AT&T ILLINOIS shall accept Local Service Requests (LSRs) for LNP or for Lawful UNE Loops from CLEC, with respect to any order for which the end user's telephone number, the Lawful UNE Loop, or both are provisioned to the third-party provider's switch.
- 6.3 If CLEC uses a third-party source for local switching, CLEC shall ensure that the third-party provider complies with applicable law and Industry Standards, including but not limited to NANC Inter Service Provider Operations Flows, governing LNP.
- 6.4 If CLEC uses a third-party source for local switching, the third-party switch provider must have an approved and effective Inter Connection Agreement (ICA) with AT&T ILLINOIS at all times while CLEC uses the third-party provider. The third-party provider's ICA must contain approved appendices governing, at minimum, each of the following subjects: numbering, number portability, unbundled network elements, network interconnection methods or network interconnection architecture, interconnection trunking requirements, and intercarrier compensation, all of which must be effective prior to submission of any order for Local Number Portability or Lawful UNE Loop to be provisioned to the third party switch providers switch and must remain effective for as long as this Amendment remains effective. If the third party provider's ICA, or any of the identified appendices fails to become effective or ceases to be effective, AT&T ILLINOIS may reject such orders.

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois will coordinate with respect to NXX assignments.
- 1.2 As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

2. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or otherwise adversely impact in any manner either Party's right to employ or to request and be assigned any North American Numbering Plan (NANP) number resources from the numbering administrator including, but not limited to, central office (NXX) codes pursuant to the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines, or to establish, by tariff or otherwise, Exchanges and Rating Points corresponding to such NXX codes. Each Party is responsible for administering the NXX codes it is assigned.
- 2.2 At a minimum, in those Metropolitan Exchange Areas where the CLEC is properly certified by the appropriate regulatory body and intends to provide local exchange service, the CLEC shall obtain a separate NXX code for each AT&T ILLINOIS rate center which is required to ensure compliance with the industry-approved Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines (most current version) or other industry approved numbering guidelines and the FCC's Second Report & Order in CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997 (Local Number Portability). This will enable CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS to identify the jurisdictional nature of traffic for intercompany compensation until such time as both Parties have implemented billing and routing capabilities to determine traffic jurisdiction on a basis other than NXX codes.
- 2.3 Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the North American Numbering Council Local Number Portability Architecture and Administrative Plan report, which was adopted by the FCC, Second Report and Order, CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997, portability is technically limited to rate center/rate district boundaries of the incumbent LEC due to rating and routing concerns. Therefore, Parties shall assign telephone numbers from its NXX's only to those customers that are physically in the rate center to which the NXX is assigned.
- 2.4 Each Party is responsible to program and update its own switches and network systems to recognize and route traffic to the other Party's assigned NXX codes at all times. Neither Party shall impose fees or charges on the other Party for such required programming and updating activities.
- 2.5 Each Party is responsible to input required data into the Routing Data Base Systems (RDBS) and into the Telcordia Rating Administrative Data Systems (BRADS) or other appropriate system(s) necessary to update the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG), unless negotiated otherwise.
- 2.6 Neither Party is responsible for notifying the other Parties' End Users of any changes in dialing arrangements, including those due to NPA exhaust.
- 2.7 NXX Migration
 - 2.7.1 Where either Party has activated an entire NXX for a single end user, or activated more than half of an NXX for a single end user with the remaining numbers in that NXX either reserved for future use or otherwise unused, and such End-User chooses to receive service from the other Party, the first Party shall cooperate with the second Party to have the entire NXX reassigned in the LERG (and associated industry databases, routing tables, etc.) to an End Office operated by the second Party provided that the requested rate center is the same rate center that physically serves the customer in a non-foreign exchange arrangement. Such transfer will require development of a transition process to minimize impact on the Network and on the end user(s)' service and will be subject to appropriate industry lead times (currently forty-five (45) days) for movements of NXXs from one switch to another. The Party to whom the NXX is migrated will pay NXX migration charges per NXX to the Party formerly assigned the NXX as described in the Pricing Appendix under "OTHER".

2.8 Test Numbers

- 2.8.1 Each Party is responsible for providing to the other, valid test numbers. One number terminating to a VOICE announcement identifying the Company and one number terminating to a milliwatt tone providing answer supervision and allowing simultaneous connection from multiple test lines. Both numbers should remain in service indefinitely for regressive testing purposes.

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APPENDIX OSS (ACCESS TO OPERATIONS SUPPORT SYSTEMS FUNCTIONS)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for nondiscriminatory access to Operations Support Systems (OSS) "functions" to CLEC for pre-ordering, ordering, provisioning, maintenance/repair, and billing provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC). With respect to all matters covered by this Appendix, the Parties will comply with the final SBC/Ameritech POR for Uniform and Enhanced OSS (Uniform POR) as approved by FCC on September 22, 2000.
- 1.2 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.4 AT&T ILLINOIS has established performance measurements to illustrate non-discriminatory access. These measurements are represented in Appendix Performance Measurements.
- 1.5 "LOC" means the Local Operations Center (LOC) for AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 1.6 "Service Bureau Provider" - For purposes of this Agreement, Service Bureau Provider (SBP) is a company which has been engaged by a CLEC to act on its behalf for purposes of accessing AT&T ILLINOIS' OSS application-to-application interfaces via a dedicated connection over which multiple CLECs' local service transactions are transported.
- 1.7 "UNE" is as described in Appendix Lawful UNE.

2. LAWFUL UNBUNDLING REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 This Appendix is for OSS transactions related to UNEs (as provided in Appendix Lawful UNE), and Resold service which AT&T ILLINOIS provides under this Interconnection Agreement (ICA service(s)). Should AT&T ILLINOIS no longer be obligated to provide a UNE under the terms of this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS shall no longer be obligated to offer access and use of OSS for that ICA service.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 3.1 Resale and Unbundled Network Elements (UNE) functions will be accessible via electronic interface(s), as described herein, where such functions are available. The Parties agree that electronic order processing is more efficient than manual order processing. During implementation the Parties will negotiate a threshold volume of orders after which electronic ordering is required. Once CLEC is submitting more than the agreed to threshold amount, but not later than twelve (12) months from the Effective Date of this Agreement, CLEC will no longer submit orders manually (and AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to accept and process manual orders) except when the electronic order processing is unavailable for a substantial period of time, or where a given order cannot be processed electronically.
- 3.2 Proper Use of OSS Interfaces
 - 3.2.1 For AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC agrees to utilize AT&T ILLINOIS electronic interfaces, as described herein, only for the purposes specifically provided herein. In addition, CLEC agrees that such use will comply with AT&T ILLINOIS' Data Connection Security Requirements as identified in Section 9 of this Appendix. Failure to comply with such security guidelines may result in forfeiture of electronic

access to OSS functionality. In addition, CLEC shall be responsible for and indemnifies AT&T ILLINOIS against any cost, expense or liability relating to any unauthorized entry or access into, or use or manipulation of AT&T ILLINOIS' OSS from CLEC systems, workstations or terminals or by CLEC employees, agents, or any third party gaining access through information and/or facilities obtained from or utilized by CLEC and shall pay AT&T ILLINOIS for any and all damages caused by such unauthorized entry.

- 3.3 Within AT&T ILLINOIS regions, CLEC's access to pre-order functions described in 4.2.2 will only be utilized to view Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) of another carrier's End User where CLEC has obtained an authorization from the End User for release of CPNI.
- 3.3.1 In AT&T ILLINOIS regions, CLEC must maintain records of individual customers' authorizations for change in local exchange service and release of CPNI which adhere to all requirements of state and federal law, as applicable.
- 3.3.2 Throughout AT&T ILLINOIS region, CLEC is solely responsible for determining whether proper authorization has been obtained and holds AT&T ILLINOIS harmless from any loss on account of CLEC's failure to obtain proper CPNI consent from an End User.
- 3.4 By utilizing electronic interfaces to access OSS functions, CLEC agrees to perform accurate and correct ordering including Resale services and UNEs, rates, and charges, subject to the terms of this Agreement and applicable tariffs dependent on region of operation. CLEC is also responsible for all actions of its employees using any of AT&T ILLINOIS' OSS systems. As such, CLEC agrees to accept and pay all reasonable costs or expenses, including labor costs, incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS caused by any and all inaccurate ordering or usage of the OSS, if such costs are not already recovered through other charges assessed by AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC. In addition, CLEC agrees to indemnify and hold AT&T ILLINOIS harmless against any claim made by an End User of CLEC or other third parties against AT&T ILLINOIS caused by or related to CLEC's use of any AT&T ILLINOIS OSS.
- 3.5 In the event AT&T ILLINOIS has good cause to believe that CLEC has used AT&T ILLINOIS OSS in a way that conflicts with this Agreement or Applicable Law, AT&T-owned ILEC in whose territory CLEC is doing business shall give CLEC written notice describing the alleged misuse ("Notice of Misuse"). CLEC shall immediately refrain from the alleged misuse until such time that CLEC responds in writing to the Notice of Misuse, which shall be provided to AT&T ILLINOIS within twenty (20) calendar days after receipt of the Notice of Misuse. In the event CLEC agrees with the allegation of misuse, CLEC shall refrain from the alleged misuse during the term of this Agreement.
- 3.6 In the event CLEC does not agree that the CLEC's use of AT&T ILLINOIS OSS is inconsistent with this Agreement or Applicable Law, then the parties agree to the following steps:
- 3.6.1 If such misuse involves improper access of pre-order applications or involves a violation of the security guidelines contained herein, or negatively affects another OSS user's ability to use OSS, CLEC shall continue to refrain from using the particular OSS functionality in the manner alleged by AT&T ILLINOIS to be improper, until CLEC has implemented a mutually agreeable remedy to the alleged misuse.
- 3.6.2 To remedy the misuse for the balance of the agreement, Parties will work together as necessary to mutually determine a permanent resolution for the balance of the term of the agreement.
- 3.7 In order to determine whether CLEC has engaged in the alleged misuse described in the Notice of Misuse, and for good cause shown, AT&T ILLINOIS shall have the right to conduct an audit of CLEC's use of the AT&T ILLINOIS OSS. Such audit shall be limited to auditing those aspects of CLEC's use of the AT&T ILLINOIS OSS that relate to the allegation of misuse as set forth in the Notice of Misuse. AT&T ILLINOIS shall give ten (10) calendar days advance written notice of its intent to audit CLEC ("Audit Notice") under this Section 3.7, and shall identify the type of information needed for the audit. Such Audit Notice may not precede the Notice of Misuse. Within a reasonable time following the Audit Notice, but no less than fourteen (14) calendar days after the date of the notice (unless otherwise agreed by the Parties), CLEC shall provide

- AT&T ILLINOIS with access to the requested information in any reasonably requested format, at an appropriate CLEC location, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. The audit shall be at AT&T ILLINOIS' expense. All information obtained through such an audit shall be deemed proprietary and/or confidential and subject to confidential treatment without necessity for marking such information confidential. AT&T ILLINOIS agrees that it shall only use employees or outside parties to conduct the audit who do not have marketing, strategic analysis, competitive assessment or similar responsibilities within AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 3.8 When Resale service and UNE order functions are not available via an electronic interface for the pre-order, ordering and provisioning processes, AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC will use manual processes. Should AT&T ILLINOIS develop electronic interfaces for these functions for itself, AT&T ILLINOIS will make electronic access available to CLEC within the specific operating region.
- 3.9 The Information Services (I.S.) Call Center for the AT&T ILLINOIS region provides for technical support function of electronic OSS interfaces. CLEC will also provide a single point of contact for technical issues related to the CLEC's electronic interfaces.
- 3.10 The Parties will follow the final adopted guidelines of "AT&T ILLINOIS Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) OSS Interface Change Management Process", developed in collaboration with CLECs. This plan may be modified from time to time in accordance with the Change Management principles.
- 3.11 AT&T ILLINOIS will and CLEC may participate in the Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) to establish and conform to uniform industry guidelines for electronic interfaces for pre-order, ordering, and provisioning. Neither Party waives its rights as participants in such forums or in the implementation of the guidelines. To achieve system functionality as quickly as possible, the Parties acknowledge that AT&T ILLINOIS may deploy interfaces with requirements developed in advance of industry guidelines. Thus, subsequent modifications may be necessary to comply with emerging guidelines. CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS are individually responsible for evaluating the risk of developing their respective systems in advance of guidelines and agree to support their own system modifications to comply with new requirements. In addition, AT&T ILLINOIS has the right to define Local Service Request (LSR) Usage requirements according to the General Section 1.0, paragraph 1.4 of the practices in the OBF Local Service Ordering Guidelines (LSOG), which states: "Options described in this practice may not be applicable to individual providers tariffs; therefore, use of either the field or valid entries within the field is based on the providers tariffs/practices."
- 3.12 Due to enhancements and on-going development of access to AT&T ILLINOIS' OSS functions, certain interfaces described in this Appendix may be modified, temporarily unavailable or may be phased out after execution of this Appendix. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide proper notice of interface phase-out as required by the Change Management Process.
- 3.13 CLEC is responsible for obtaining operating system software and hardware to access AT&T ILLINOIS OSS functions. All hardware and software requirements are specified in: "Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) Operations Support System Interconnection Procedures", or any other documents or interface requirements subsequently generated by AT&T ILLINOIS for any of its regions.

4. PRE-ORDERING

- 4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide real time access to pre-order functions to support CLEC ordering of Resale services and UNEs. The Parties acknowledge that ordering requirements necessitate the use of current, real time pre-order information to accurately build service orders. The following lists represent pre-order functions that are available to CLEC so that CLEC order requests may be created to comply with AT&T ILLINOIS region-specific ordering requirements.

4.2 Pre-Ordering Functions for Resale Services and UNEs Include

4.2.1 Feature/Service Availability

4.2.1.1 Feature Inquiry provides feature and service availability by WTN, NPA/NXX, and CLLI Code (as applicable).

4.2.1.2 PIC/LPIC Inquiry provides Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC) options for intraLATA toll and interLATA toll.

4.2.2 Customer Service Information - CSI Inquiry

Access to AT&T ILLINOIS retail or resold CPNI and account information for pre-ordering will include: billing name, service address, billing address, service and feature subscription, directory listing information, and long distance carrier identity. CLEC agrees that CLEC's representatives will not access the information specified in this subsection until after the CLEC has obtained authorization from the End User for release of CPNI which complies with conditions as described in section 3.3 of this Appendix.

4.2.3 Telephone Number Inquiry

AT&T ILLINOIS provides a Telephone Number Reservation Inquiry and a Cancel Reservation function. With the rollout of the Uniform Pre-Order Interfaces, AT&T ILLINOIS also provides a Telephone Number Confirmation Inquiry function.

4.2.4 Scheduling Inquiry/Availability

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

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

4.2.5 Address Validation Inquiry

AT&T ILLINOIS provides address validation function.

4.3 The Following are Pre-Order Functions Specific to UNEs

4.3.1 Loop Pre-Qualification and Loop Qualification Inquiry

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

4.3.2 Common Language Location Indicator (CLLI) Inquiry

AT&T ILLINOIS provides CLLI code inquiry function.

4.3.3 Connecting Facility Assignment (CFA) Inquiry

AT&T ILLINOIS provides a CFA inquiry function.

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

AT&T ILLINOIS provides a NC/NCI inquiry function.

4.4 Electronic Access to Pre-Order Functions

4.4.1 Resale and UNE Pre-Order Interface Availability

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

4.4.1.2 An industry standard EDI/CORBA Pre-ordering Gateway is provided by AT&T ILLINOIS. This pre-ordering gateway supports two structural protocols, EDI and CORBA, as recommended by the technical industry committees. EDI/CORBA, is the 13-state uniform

pre-order application-to-application interface that can be integrated with the CLEC's own negotiation system and that supports both Resale services and UNEs.

4.5 Other Pre-Order Function Availability

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

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

Data Validation Files:

SAG (Street Address Guide)

Feature/Service Availability by Switch

Directory Names

Class of Service Codes

USOC (Universal Service Order Codes)

Community Names

Yellow Page Headings

PIC/LPIC (InterLATA/IntraLATA)

5. ORDERING/PROVISIONING

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

5.2 Service Order Request System Availability

5.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS makes available to CLEC an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) application-to-application interface for transmission of Local Service Requests (LSR) as defined by the OBF, consistent with AT&T ILLINOIS Local Service Ordering Requirements (LSOR), and via EDI mapping as defined by TCIF. In ordering and provisioning of Resale services or UNEs, CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will utilize industry guidelines developed by OBF and TCIF EDI to transmit data based upon AT&T ILLINOIS' Resale service and UNE ordering requirements, dependent on operating region. In addition, Local Number Portability (LNP) will be ordered consistent with the OBF LSR and EDI process.

5.2.2 For AT&T ILLINOIS, web-based LEX is the 13-state uniform ordering GUI interface that provides access to the uniform ordering functions for Resale services and UNEs. Web-based LEX is accessible via a web-based Toolbar.

5.2.3 In ordering and provisioning Unbundled Dedicated Transport and local interconnection trunks, CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will utilize industry ASR guidelines developed by OBF based upon AT&T ILLINOIS ordering requirements.

5.3 Provisioning for Resale Services and UNEs in AT&T ILLINOIS

AT&T ILLINOIS will provision Resale services and UNEs as detailed in CLEC order requests. Access to status on such orders will be provided via the following electronic interfaces:

5.3.1 For AT&T ILLINOIS, Order Status and Provisioning Order Status functionality is provided through the Enhanced Verigate interface which will allow CLEC to check service order status.

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

5.3.2.1 Additionally, service orders with errors that occur after order generation, but prior to distribution will not qualify for an AT&T ILLINOIS issued FOC.

6. MAINTENANCE/REPAIR

6.1 Two electronic interfaces are accessible in each region to place, and check the status of, trouble reports for both Resale services and UNEs. Upon request, CLEC may access these functions via the following methods:

6.1.1 In AT&T ILLINOIS, Electronic Bonding Trouble Administration - Graphical User Interface (EBTA-GUI) is the 13-state uniform GUI interface that allows CLEC to perform Mechanized Loop Testing (MLT), issue trouble tickets, view status, and view trouble history on-line.

6.1.2 In AT&T ILLINOIS, Electronic Bonding Trouble Administration (EBTA) is the 13-state uniform application-to-application interface that is available for trouble report submission and status updates. EBTA conforms to ANSI guidelines T1.227:1995, T1.228:1995 and T1.262:1998, Electronic Communications Implementation Committee (ECIC) Trouble Report Format Definition (TRFD) Number 1 as defined in ECIC document ECIC/TRA/95-003, and all guidelines referenced within those documents, as mutually agreed upon by CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS. Functions currently implemented include Enter Trouble, Request Trouble Report Status, Add Trouble Information, Modify Trouble Report Attributes, Trouble Report Attribute Value Change Notification, and Cancel Trouble Report, as explained in 6 and 9 of ANSI T1.228:1995. CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will exchange requests over a mutually agreeable X.25-based network.

7. BILLING

7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will bill CLEC for Resold services and UNEs. AT&T ILLINOIS will send associated billing information to CLEC as necessary to allow CLEC to perform billing functions. At minimum AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC billing information in a paper format, or via 18-track magnetic tape, as agreed to between CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS. Such alternate bill media will be made available to CLEC consistent with the individual state tariff provisions.

7.2 Electronic access to billing information for Resale services will also be available via the following interfaces:

7.2.1 In AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC may receive a mechanized bill format via the EDI 811 transaction set.

7.2.2 For Resale Services in AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC may elect to receive its bill on CD.

7.2.3 In AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC may receive electronically a Daily Usage Extract. On a daily basis, this feed provides information on the usage billed to its accounts for Resale services in the industry standardized EMI format.

7.2.4 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Loss Notifications. This notification alerts CLECs that a change requested by another telecommunications provider has been completed and, as a result, the Local Service Provider associated with a given telephone number has been changed. It will be provided via the uniform ordering application-to-application interface using the EDI 836 transaction, and will also be available via the uniform ordering GUI interface, LEX.

7.2.5 In AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC may receive a mechanized bill for Resale services via the AT&T ILLINOIS Electronic Billing System (AEBS) transaction set.

7.3 Electronic access to billing information for UNEs will also be available via the following interfaces:

7.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS makes available to CLECs a local Bill Data Tape to receive data in an electronic format from its CABS database. The local Bill Data Tape contains the same information that would appear on CLEC's paper bill.

7.3.2 In AT&T ILLINOIS, CLECs will receive a Daily Usage Extract electronically, on a daily basis, with information on the usage billed to its accounts for UNEs in the industry standardized Exchange Message Interface (EMI) format.

7.3.3 In AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC may receive a uniform loss notification via EDI 836 transaction or via the uniform GUI interface, LEX. For UNEs this loss notification indicates when CLEC's End Users, utilizing AT&T ILLINOIS ports, change their Competitive Local Exchange Carrier.

8. REMOTE ACCESS FACILITY

8.1 CLEC must access OSS interfaces via a CLEC Remote Access Facility. The ARAF, located in Chicago, IL, serves AT&T ILLINOIS. Each of these four xRAFs will provide CLECs dedicated access to the uniform application-to-application and Graphical User Interfaces. Connection to these remote access facilities will be established via a "port" either through dial-up or direct connection as described in Section 8.2. CLEC may utilize a port to access AT&T ILLINOIS OSS interfaces to perform the supported functions in any AT&T ILLINOIS where CLEC has executed an Appendix OSS. OSS applications that are accessible through the Internet will also go through a secured Remote Access Facility.

8.2 For AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC may use three types of access: Switched, Private Line, and Frame Relay. For Private Line and Frame Relay "Direct Connections," the connecting CLEC is responsible for providing CLEC router, and all network equipment (including Channel Service Units/Data Service Units(CSU/DSU)) and circuit connection(s) up to the AT&T ILEC company point of demarcation. The demarcation point shall be the interface at the LRAF, PRAF, ARAF, or SRAF according to AT&T ILLINOIS "CLEC OSS Interconnection Procedures". Switched Access "Dial-up Connections" require CLEC to provide its own modems and connection to the AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE ARAF. CLEC shall pay the cost of the call if Switched Access is used. Connections via the Public Internet require CLEC to connect to an ISP of their choice and use one of the HTTPS URLs associated with access to AT&T ILLINOIS OSS via the public internet.

8.3 For AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC shall use TCP/IP to access AT&T ILLINOIS OSS via the LRAF, ARAF, SRAF, and the PRAF. In addition, each CLEC shall have one valid Internet Protocol (IP) network address per region. CLEC shall maintain a user ID / password unique to each individual for accessing a AT&T ILLINOIS OSS on CLEC's behalf. CLEC shall provide estimates regarding its volume of transactions, number of concurrent users, desired number of private line or dial-up (switched) connections, and length of a typical session.

8.4 For AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC shall attend and participate in implementation meetings to discuss CLEC LRAF/PRAF/ARAF/SRAF access plans in detail and schedule testing of such connections.

9. DATA CONNECTION SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

9.1 CLEC agrees that interconnection of CLEC data facilities with AT&T ILLINOIS data facilities for access to OSS will be in compliance with AT&T ILLINOIS' "Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) Operations Support System Interconnection Procedures" document current at the time of initial connection to a RAF. The following additional terms in this Section 9 govern direct and dial up connections between CLEC and the PRAF, LRAF, ARAF and SRAF for access to OSS Interfaces.

9.2 Joint Security Requirements

9.2.1 Both Parties will maintain accurate and auditable records that monitor user authentication and machine integrity and confidentiality (e.g., password assignment and aging, chronological logs configured, system accounting data, etc.).

- 9.2.2 Both Parties shall maintain accurate and complete records detailing the individual data connections and systems to which they have granted the other Party access or interface privileges. These records will include, but are not limited to, user ID assignment, user request records, system configuration, time limits of user access or system interfaces. These records should be kept until the termination of this Agreement or the termination of the requested access by the identified individual. Either Party may initiate a compliance review of the connection records to verify that only the agreed to connections are in place and that the connection records are accurate.
- 9.2.3 CLEC shall immediately notify the ISCC when a employee user ID is no longer valid (e.g. employee termination or movement to another department).
- 9.2.4 Both Parties shall use an industry standard virus detection software program at all times. The Parties shall immediately advise each other by telephone upon actual knowledge that a virus or other malicious code has been transmitted to the other Party.
- 9.2.5 All physical access to equipment and services required to transmit data will be in secured locations. Verification of authorization will be required for access to all such secured locations. A secured location is where walls and doors are constructed and arranged to serve as barriers and to provide uniform protection for all equipment used in the data connections which are made as a result of the user's access to either the CLEC or AT&T ILLINOIS network. At a minimum, this shall include: access doors equipped with card reader control or an equivalent authentication procedure and/or device, and egress doors which generate a real-time alarm when opened and which are equipped with tamper resistant and panic hardware as required to meet building and safety standards.
- 9.2.6 Both Parties shall maintain accurate and complete records on the card access system or lock and key administration to the rooms housing the equipment utilized to make the connection(s) to the other Party's network. These records will include management of card or key issue, activation or distribution and deactivation.
- 9.3 **Additional Responsibilities of Both Parties**
- 9.3.1 Modem/DSU Maintenance And Use Policy: To the extent the access provided hereunder involves the support and maintenance of CLEC equipment on AT&T ILLINOIS premises, such maintenance will be provided under the terms of the "Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) Operations Support System Interconnection Procedures" document cited above.
- 9.3.2 Monitoring: Each Party will monitor its own network relating to any user's access to the Party's networks, processing systems, and applications. This information may be collected, retained, and analyzed to identify potential security risks without notice. This information may include, but is not limited to, trace files, statistics, network addresses, and the actual data or screens accessed or transferred.
- 9.3.3 Each Party shall notify the other Party's security organization immediately upon initial discovery of actual or suspected unauthorized access to, misuse of, or other "at risk" conditions regarding the identified data facilities or information. Each Party shall provide a specified point of contact. If either Party suspects unauthorized or inappropriate access, the Parties shall work together to isolate and resolve the problem.
- 9.3.4 In the event that one Party identifies inconsistencies or lapses in the other Party's adherence to the security provisions described herein, or a discrepancy is found, documented, and delivered to the non-complying Party, a corrective action plan to address the identified vulnerabilities must be provided by the non-complying Party within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the identified inconsistency. The corrective action plan must identify what will be done, the Party accountable/responsible, and the proposed compliance date. The non-complying Party must provide periodic status reports (minimally monthly) to the other Party's security organization on the implementation of the corrective action plan in order to track the work to completion.

- 9.3.5 In the event there are technological constraints or situations where either Party's corporate security requirements cannot be met, the Parties will institute mutually agreed upon alternative security controls and safeguards to mitigate risks.
- 9.3.6 All network-related problems will be managed to resolution by the respective organizations, CLEC or AT&T ILLINOIS, as appropriate to the ownership of a failed component. As necessary, CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS will work together to resolve problems where the responsibility of either Party is not easily identified.
- 9.4 **Information Security Policies And Guidelines For Access To Computers, Networks and Information By Non-Employee Personnel**
 - 9.4.1 Information security policies and guidelines are designed to protect the integrity, confidentiality and availability of computer, networks and information resources. Section 9.5 - 9.11 summarizes the general policies and principles for individuals who are not employees of the Party that provides the computer, network or information, but have authorized access to that Party's systems, networks or information. Questions should be referred to CLEC or AT&T ILLINOIS, respectively, as the providers of the computer, network or information in question.
 - 9.4.2 It is each Party's responsibility to notify its employees, contractors and vendors who will have access to the other Party's network, on the proper security responsibilities identified within this Attachment. Adherence to these policies is a requirement for continued access to the other Party's systems, networks or information. Exceptions to the policies must be requested in writing and approved by the other Party's information security organization.
- 9.5 **General Policies**
 - 9.5.1 Each Party's resources are for approved business purposes only.
 - 9.5.2 Each Party may exercise at any time its right to inspect, record, and/or remove all information contained in its systems, and take appropriate action should unauthorized or improper usage be discovered.
 - 9.5.3 Individuals will only be given access to resources that they are authorized to receive and which they need to perform their job duties. Users must not attempt to access resources for which they are not authorized.
 - 9.5.4 Authorized users must not develop, copy or use any program or code which circumvents or bypasses system security or privilege mechanism or distorts accountability or audit mechanisms.
 - 9.5.5 Actual or suspected unauthorized access events must be reported immediately to each Party's security organization or to an alternate contact identified by that Party. Each Party shall provide its respective security contact information to the other.
- 9.6 **User Identification**
 - 9.6.1 Access to each Party's corporate resources will be based on identifying and authenticating individual users in order to maintain clear and personal accountability for each user's actions.
 - 9.6.2 User identification shall be accomplished by the assignment of a unique, permanent user ID, and each user ID shall have an associated identification number for security purposes.
 - 9.6.3 User IDs will be revalidated on a monthly basis.
- 9.7 **User Authentication**
 - 9.7.1 Users will usually be authenticated by use of a password. Strong authentication methods (e.g. one-time passwords, digital signatures, etc.) may be required in the future.
 - 9.7.2 Passwords must not be stored in script files.
 - 9.7.3 Passwords must be entered by the user.

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

"This is a (AT&T ILLINOIS or CLEC) system restricted to Company official business and subject to being monitored at any time. Anyone using this system expressly consents to such monitoring and to any evidence of unauthorized access, use, or modification being used for criminal prosecution."
 - 9.11.2 After successful authentication, each session will display the last logon date/time and the number of unsuccessful logon attempts. The user is responsible for reporting discrepancies.

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

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

11. OSS TRAINING COURSES

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

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

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

12. OSS CHARGES FOR SYSTEM ACCESS AND CONNECTIVITY

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

13. MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

- 13.1 For AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC requesting the billing function for the Daily Usage Extract which contains the usage billable records, as described in 7.2.6 and 7.3.3, agrees to pay established rates pursuant to Appendix Pricing.
- 13.2 For AT&T ILLINOIS, should CLEC request custom development of an exclusive interface to support OSS functions, such development will be considered by AT&T ILLINOIS on an Individual Case Basis (ICB) and priced as such.

14. SERVICE BUREAU PROVIDER ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHARED ACCESS TO OSS

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

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OPERATOR SERVICES AND DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE APPENDIX

1. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the rates, terms and conditions under which the Parties shall jointly carry out Operator Services (OS) and Directory Assistance (DA) on a wholesale basis, regardless of whether CLEC is serving its end users via
 - 1.1.1 CLEC's own physical Switches,
 - 1.1.2 Resale of AT&T ILLINOIS Retail OS/DA service, or
 - 1.1.3 Leased Circuit Switching from AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 1.2 CLEC shall be the Retail OS/DA provider to its end users, and AT&T ILLINOIS shall be the wholesale provider of OS/DA operations to CLEC. AT&T ILLINOIS shall answer CLEC's end user OS/DA calls on CLEC's behalf, as follows:
 - 1.2.1 When the end user dials 0 or 0+ the Telephone Number, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide the Operator Services described in Section 4 below.
 - 1.2.2 When the end user dials 4-1-1 or 1-4-1-1, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Directory Assistance as described in Section 5 below.
- 1.3 CLEC is free to charge its end users whatever retail OS/DA rates it wishes, and CLEC therefore acknowledges its responsibility (a) to obtain end user agreement to the OS/DA retail rates (i.e. by tariff or contract), and (b) to obtain any necessary regulatory approvals for its OS/DA retail rates.
- 1.4 In response to dialing end user inquiries about OS/DA rates, AT&T ILLINOIS Operators shall quote CLEC retail OS/DA rates, as they are provided by CLEC (see Section 6 below). If further inquiries are made about rates, billing and/or other "business office" questions, AT&T ILLINOIS' OS/DA operators shall direct the calling party's inquiries to a CLEC-provided contact number (also see Section 6 below).
- 1.5 AT&T ILLINOIS shall charge CLEC monthly, and CLEC agrees to pay monthly, the OS/DA rates found in the attached Appendix Pricing. The Parties agree that billing and payment details, including the assessment of late payment charges for unpaid balances, shall be governed by the underlying agreement between AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC.
 - 1.5.1 CLEC acknowledges and understands that these wholesale OS/DA rates differ between Resale and facilities-based¹ service, and that both types of OS/DA wholesale rates are listed in the attached price schedule. CLEC may serve both as a Reseller and as a facilities-based provider, and CLEC may convert facilities-based end users to Resale service, or vice versa, as described below in section 6.8.
 - 1.5.1.1 To the extent CLEC is serving as a Reseller and not a facilities-based provider, the facilities-based OS/DA rates in the attached price schedule do not apply and are listed merely for reference purposes.
 - 1.5.1.2 To the extent CLEC is serving as a facilities-based provider and not as a Reseller, then the Resale OS/DA rates in the attached price schedule do not apply and are listed merely for reference purposes.
 - 1.5.2 CLEC acknowledges and understands that AT&T ILLINOIS uses a different billing system for Resale than for facilities-based service, and that if CLEC operates both as a Reseller and a facilities-based provider, then CLEC will receive two different monthly invoices for OS/DA service from AT&T ILLINOIS, one for Resale, and one for facilities-based service.

¹By "facilities-based" the Parties mean either through CLEC's own switch, or via leased circuit switching from AT&T ILLINOIS.

1.5.3 CLEC acknowledges and understands that the Resale OS/DA rates are based on AT&T ILLINOIS' tariffed retail OS/DA rates, less the state resale discount, and therefore may change during the life of this Appendix OS/DA in a Resale Agreement, without written amendment, if

1.5.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS' retail tariff changes, or

1.5.3.2 The state resale discount changes.

2. GENERAL AT&T ILLINOIS OBLIGATIONS FOR WHOLESALE OS/ DA SERVICE

2.1 Dialing Parity. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide OS/DA to CLEC's end users with no unreasonable dialing delays and at dialing parity with AT&T ILLINOIS retail OS/DA services.

2.2 Response Parity

2.2.1 For Resale and Leased Circuit Switching, CLEC's end users shall be answered by AT&T ILLINOIS' OS and DA platforms with the same priority and using the same methods as for AT&T ILLINOIS' retail end users.

2.2.2 For Resale and Leased Circuit Switching, any technical difficulties in reaching the AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA platform (i.e. cable cuts in the OS/DA trunks, unusual OS/DA call volumes, etc.) will be experienced at parity with AT&T ILLINOIS retail end users served via that same AT&T ILLINOIS end office switch.

2.2.3 For all service types, AT&T ILLINOIS will include CLEC's end user OS/DA calls in its speed of response measurements reported to the state regulatory commission, if any.

2.3 Daily Usage File (DUF)

2.3.1 For Resale and Leased Circuit Switching, AT&T ILLINOIS will record CLEC's OS/DA usage on its Resale and Leased Circuit Switching lines and include that call detail in the Daily Usage File (DUF) as described elsewhere in the underlying wholesale agreement, but at a minimum, the DUF shall be in industry-standard Exchange Message Interface format and will be in compliance with the Ordering and Billing Forum guidelines.

2.3.2 When CLEC is operating its own switch-based service, AT&T ILLINOIS will transmit similar usage recorded by the AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switch via a mutually agreed electronic interface for CLEC's switch.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR CIRCUIT SWITCHES TO PHYSICALLY INTERCONNECT

3.1 To the extent that CLEC is serving its own switches and wishes to interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS' OS/DA switches, then the Parties' physical interconnection and trunking requirements are described in this section. All OS/DA interconnection and trunking arrangements shall be subject to the mutual agreement of the parties, and any unresolved differences in the OS/DA physical interconnection or trunking arrangements shall be handled pursuant to the Dispute Resolution provisions in the underlying agreement.

3.2 The demarcation point for OS/DA traffic between the Parties' networks need not coincide with the Point of Interconnection (POI) for the physical interconnection of all other inter-carrier voice traffic, but at a minimum must be within the LATA in which the CLEC's OS/DA traffic originates.

3.2.1 Because CLEC's switch may serve end users in more than one LATA, the Parties agree that, for purposes of this Appendix OS/DA only, CLEC's OS/DA traffic originates from the physical location of the end user dialing "0" or "411", and not the physical location of CLEC's switch.

3.2.2 To the extent CLEC is serving via circuit-switched wireless technology, the physical location of the end user dialing 0 or 411 shall be deemed the end user's physical billing address, regardless of whether the end user may be roaming at the time of placing the OS/DA call.

3.3 The Parties' general preference would be to establish an OS/DA demarcation point at the AT&T ILLINOIS' OS/DA switch in that LATA, but the Parties recognize that the demarcation point for OS/DA traffic between the

Parties' networks could depend on a variety of engineering and location-specific factors which include, but are not limited to,

- 3.3.1 The size and type of facilities needed to carry CLEC's switch-based OS/DA traffic
 - 3.3.2 Whether CLEC wishes to interconnect for both OS and DA, or just OS, or just DA;
 - 3.3.3 Whether CLEC OR CLEC's affiliate has collocated in an AT&T ILLINOIS Local Tandem office and wishes to use the collocation as the OS/DA demarcation point; and
 - 3.3.4 Whether CLEC or CLEC's affiliate already has existing OS/DA facilities in place to the AT&T ILLINOIS' OS/DA platforms.
- 3.4 CLEC shall provide the necessary facilities to interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS' OS/DA switch(es) at a mutually-agreeable demarcation point between the Parties' networks. CLEC may self-provision these OS/DA facilities, lease them from third parties, or lease them from AT&T ILLINOIS' intrastate Special Access Tariff. CLEC will be financially responsible for the OS/DA facilities on its side of the demarcation point, and AT&T ILLINOIS will be financially responsible for the OS/DA facilities on its side of the demarcation point.
- 3.5 General OS/DA Trunking Requirements
- 3.5.1 CLEC will initiate an ASR for all OS/DA trunk groups from its switch to the appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switches as a segregated one-way trunk group utilizing Multi-Frequency (MF) signaling. Unless technically infeasible, AT&T ILLINOIS will provision all such one-way trunk groups in the same manner and at the same intervals as for all other interconnection trunking between the parties.
 - 3.5.2 CLEC will employ Exchange Access Operator Services Signaling (EAOSS) from the AT&T ILLINOIS End Offices to the AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switches that are equipped to accept 10 Digit Signaling for Automatic Number Identification (ANI).
 - 3.5.3 If EAOSS is not technically feasible, Modified Operator Services Signaling (MOSS) will be utilized, and a segregated one-way trunk group with MF signaling will be established from CLEC to each AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switch for each served NPA in the LATA.
- 3.6 Specific OS/DA Trunk Groups, and their Requirements
- 3.6.1 Operator Service (OS) Trunks: CLEC shall establish a one-way trunk group from CLEC's switch to the AT&T ILLINOIS Operator Services switch serving OS end users in that LATA. An OS only trunk group will be designated with the appropriate OS traffic use code and modifier. If the trunk group transports combined OS/DA/DACC over the same trunk group, then the group will be designated with a different traffic use code and modifier for combined services. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASR's on this one-way trunk group.
 - 3.6.2 Directory Assistance (DA)/ Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC) Trunks: CLEC shall establish a one-way trunk group from CLEC's switch to the AT&T ILLINOIS Directory Assistance switch serving DA end users in that LATA. If the trunk group transports DA/DACC only, but not OS, then the trunk group will be designated with the appropriate DA traffic use code and modifier. If OS/DA/DACC is transported together on a combined trunk group, then the group will be designated with a different appropriate traffic use code and modifier. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASR's on this one-way trunk group.
 - 3.6.3 Busy Line Verification/Emergency Interrupt (BLV/EI) Trunks. When CLEC wishes for AT&T ILLINOIS to perform Busy Line Verification or Emergency Interrupt for CLEC end users, AT&T ILLINOIS will need a segregated one-way BLV trunk group with MF signaling from AT&T ILLINOIS' Operator Services switch to CLEC's switch serving end users in that LATA. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASR's on this one-way trunk group. The BLV trunk group will be designated with the appropriate traffic use code and modifier.

4. SPECIFICS OF OS OFFERINGS AND RECURRING CHARGES

- 4.1 Operator Services Rate Structure. AT&T ILLINOIS will assess its Operator Services charges based upon whether the CLEC end user is receiving (a) manual Operator Services (i.e., provided a live Operator), for which a per work second charge will apply, or (b) automated Operator Services (i.e., an OS switch equipment voice recognition feature, functioning either fully or partially without live Operators), where a flat rate per call charge will apply. See the attached Appendix Pricing for the full set of OS recurring and nonrecurring rates.
- 4.2 Operator Services Call Processing. Whether manual or automated, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the following services when processing a 0-dialed call from CLEC's line, regardless of whether Directory Assistance is also requested:
- 4.2.1 General Operator Assistance - The end user dialing 0 may ask the OS Operator to provide local and intraLATA dialing assistance for the purposes of completing calls, or requesting information on how to place calls; handling emergency calls, handling credits.
- 4.2.2 Calling Card - The end user dialing 0 may provide the OS Operator with a Calling Card number for billing purposes, and seek assistance in completing the call.
- 4.2.3 Collect - The end user dialing 0 may ask the OS Operator to bill the charges associated with the call to the called number, provided such billing is accepted by the called number.
- 4.3.4 Third Number Billed - The end user dialing 0 may ask the OS Operator to bill the call to a different number than the calling or called number.
- 4.3.5 Person-To-Person Service. The end user dialing 0 may ask the OS Operator for assistance in reaching a particular person or a particular PBX station, department or office to be reached through a PBX attendant. This service applies even if the caller agrees, after the connection is established, to speak to any party other than the party previously specified.
- 4.3.6 Busy Line Verification - A service in which the end user dialing 0 will ask the OS Operator to check the requested line for conversation in progress and advise the caller of the status.
- 4.3.7 Busy Line Interrupt - A service in which the end user dialing 0 asks the Operator to interrupt a conversation in progress, to determine if one of the parties is willing to speak to the caller requesting the interrupt.

5. SPECIFICS OF DA OFFERING AND RECURRING CHARGE

- 5.1 Directory Assistance Rate Structure. AT&T ILLINOIS charges local DA by one rate, and all other DA products by a separate rate. In both cases DA charges are assessed on a flat rate per call, regardless of call duration. See the attached Appendix Pricing for the DA recurring and nonrecurring rates.
- 5.2 Directory Assistance Call Processing. Where technically feasible and/or available, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the following DA Services when a CLEC end user served dials 411 or 1-411, regardless of whether Operator Services are also requested from AT&T ILLINOIS:
- 5.2.1 Local Directory Assistance. Consists of providing published name, address and telephone number to the dialing end user.
- 5.2.2 Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC). A service in which a local or an intraLATA call to the requested number is completed on behalf of the DA end user, utilizing an automated voice system or with operator assistance.
- 5.2.3 National Directory Assistance (NDA). A service whereby callers may request Directory Assistance outside their LATA or local calling area for any listed telephone number in the United States.
- 5.2.4 Reverse Directory Assistance (RDA). An Information Service consisting of providing listed local and national name and address information associated with a telephone number provided by the individual originating the call.

5.2.5 Business Category Search (BCS) (Where Available). A service in which the end user may request business telephone number listings for a specified category of business, when the name of the business is not known. Telephone numbers may be requested for local and national businesses.

6. OS/DA NON-RECURRING CHARGES FOR LOADING AUTOMATED CALL GREETING (I.E. BRAND ANNOUNCEMENT), RATES AND REFERENCE INFORMATION

- 6.1 The incoming OS/DA call is automatically answered by a pre-recorded greeting loaded into the OS/DA switch itself, prior to being handled by automated equipment or a live operator. It is not technically feasible to avoid the automatic pre-recorded announcement function in these OS/DA switches, therefore CLEC agrees that it shall establish a pre-recorded greeting to play for every OS or DA call dialed by CLEC's end user, and this greeting is mandatory, not optional, when AT&T ILLINOIS is the OS/DA provider.
 - 6.1.1 CLEC will provide announcement phrase information, via Operator Services Translations Questionnaire (OSTQ), to AT&T ILLINOIS in conformity with the format, length, and other requirements specified for all CLECs on the AT&T ILLINOIS CLEC website (<https://clec.sbc.com/clec>).
 - 6.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will then perform all of the loading and testing of the announcement for each applicable OS/DA switch prior to live traffic. CLEC may also change its pre-recorded announcement at any time by providing a new announcement phrase in the same manner, for subsequent loading and testing charges.
- 6.2 If CLEC does not wish to brand the OS/DA calls, CLEC may also have their end user hear silence upon connecting with the OS/DA switch by having AT&T ILLINOIS load a recording of silence into the automatic, pre-recorded announcement slot, set for the shortest possible duration allowed by the switch, to then be routed to automated or live operators as with all other OS/DA calls, for which brand loading charges will still apply.
 - 6.2.1 CLEC understands that silent announcements may not be perceived by dialing end users as ordinary mechanical handling of OS/DA calls.
 - 6.2.2 CLEC agrees that if it does not brand the call, CLEC shall indemnify and hold AT&T ILLINOIS harmless from any regulatory violation, consumer complaint, or other sanction for failing to identify the OS/DA provider to the dialing end user.
 - 6.2.3 AT&T ILLINOIS must make the silent recording play for the shortest possible duration technically feasible for each applicable OS/DA switch, but otherwise has no responsibility if a silent announcement is chosen by CLEC.
- 6.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will be responsible for loading the CLEC-provided recording or the silent announcement into all applicable OS and/or DA switches prior to live traffic, testing the announcement for sound quality at parity with that provided to AT&T ILLINOIS retail end users. CLEC will be responsible for paying the initial recording or silent announcement loading charges, and thereafter, the per-call charge as well as any subsequent loading charges if a new recordings or silent announcements are provided as specified above.
- 6.4 Branding/Silent Announcement load charges are assessed per loaded recording, per OCN, per switch. (For example, a CLEC Reseller may choose to brand under a different name than its facility-based operations, and therefore two separate recordings could be loaded into each switch, each incurring the Branding/Silent Announcement charge). These charges are mandatory, nonrecurring, and are found in the attached Appendix Pricing.
- 6.5 In all current AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switches, the applicable CLEC-charged retail OS/DA rates and a CLEC-provided contact number (e.g., reference to a CLEC business office or repair call center) are loaded into the system utilized by the OS/DA Operator.

- 6.6 AT&T ILLINOIS will be responsible for loading the CLEC-provided OS/DA retail rates and the CLEC-provided contact number(s) into the OS/DA switches. CLEC will be responsible for paying the initial reference and rate loading charges.
- 6.7 Rate/Reference load charges are assessed per loaded set of rates/references, per OCN, per state. (For example, a CLEC Reseller may choose to rate differently than its facility-based CLEC operations, or may change its rates/references during the life of the contract, and therefore separate sets of rates/references could be loaded for each OCN, per state, each loading incurring the Rate/Reference charge). These charges are mandatory, nonrecurring and are found in the attached Appendix Pricing.
- 6.8 Converting End Users from Prior Branded Service to CLEC or Silent-Branded Service, or between Resale and facilities-based service.
 - 6.8.1 To the extent that CLEC has already established the Branding/Silent Announcement recording in AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switches for both Resale and facilities-based service, then no Non-Recurring Charges apply to the conversion of End Users from prior Resale OS/DA wholesale service to facilities-based OS/DA wholesale service, or vice versa.
 - 6.8.2 To the extent that CLEC has not established the Branding/Silent Announcement recording in AT&T ILLINOIS OS/DA switches for Resale and/or facilities-based service, then Non-Recurring Charges apply to set up the OS/DA call for the new type of service, as is described in section 6 above, and at the rates set forth in the attached Appendix Pricing.

APPENDIX INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION

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

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APPENDIX INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION

1. SCOPE OF APPENDIX

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

2. ILEC DESIGNATIONS

- 2.1 AT&T Inc. means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 2.2 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 3.1 For all traffic originated on a Party's network including, without limitation, Switched Access Traffic such Party shall provide Calling Party Number (CPN) as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 64.1600(c) ("CPN") in accordance with Section 3.3 below. CPN shall, at a minimum, include information in an industry recognized standard format, consistent with the requirements of the North American Numbering Plan (NANP) containing a unique ten digit area code (NPA) and seven digit (NXX-XXXX) telephone number. Each Party to this Agreement will be responsible for passing on any CPN it receives from a third party for traffic delivered to the other Party. In addition, each Party agrees that it shall not strip, alter, modify, add, delete, change, or incorrectly assign any CPN. If either party identifies improper, incorrect, or fraudulent use of local exchange services (including, but not limited to PRI, ISDN and/or Smart Trunks), or identifies stripped, altered, modified, added, deleted, changed, and/or incorrectly assigned CPN, the Parties agree to cooperate with one another to investigate and take corrective action.
- 3.2 If one Party is passing CPN but the other Party is not properly receiving information, the Parties will work cooperatively to correct the problem.
- 3.3 For traffic which is delivered by one Party to be terminated on the other Party's network in AT&T ILLINOIS, if the percentage of such calls passed with CPN is greater than ninety percent (90%), all calls delivered by one Party to the other for termination without CPN will be billed as either Section 251(b)(5) Traffic or IntraLATA Toll Traffic in direct proportion to the total MOUs of calls delivered by one Party to the other with

CPN. If the percentage of calls passed with CPN is less than 90%, all calls delivered by one Party to the other without CPN will be billed at Intrastate Switched Access rates.

- 3.4 CLEC has the sole obligation to enter into intercarrier compensation arrangements with third party telecommunications carriers regarding CLEC's traffic and such other carriers' traffic, including without limitation any where CLEC originates traffic to or terminates traffic from an End User being served by a third party telecommunications carrier who has purchased local switching from AT&T ILLINOIS on a wholesale basis by which such telecommunications carrier uses such services to offer wireline local telephone exchange service to its End Users. In no event will AT&T ILLINOIS have any liability to CLEC or any third party if CLEC fails to enter into such compensation arrangements. In the event that traffic is exchanged with a third party carrier with whom CLEC does not have a traffic compensation agreement, CLEC will indemnify, defend and hold harmless AT&T ILLINOIS against any and all losses including without limitation, charges levied by such third party carrier. The third party carrier and CLEC will bill their respective charges directly to each other. AT&T ILLINOIS will not be required to function as a billing intermediary, e.g., clearinghouse. AT&T ILLINOIS may provide information regarding such traffic to other telecommunications carriers or entities as appropriate to resolve traffic compensation issues.
- 3.5 The Parties agree that, notwithstanding the classification of traffic under this Appendix, either Party is free to define its own "local" calling area(s) for purposes of its provision of telecommunications services to its End Users.
- 3.6 For Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic, and IntraLATA Toll Traffic, the Party whose End User originates such traffic shall compensate the Party who terminates such traffic to its End User for the transport and termination of such traffic at the applicable rate(s) provided in this Appendix and Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable switched access tariffs.
- 3.7 To the extent that the Parties are not currently exchanging traffic in a given LATA or Local Calling Area, the Parties' obligation to pay intercarrier compensation to each other shall commence on the date the Parties agree that the interconnection is complete (i.e., each Party has established its originating trunks as well as all ancillary traffic trunking such as Operator Services, 911 or Mass Calling trunks) and is capable of fully supporting originating and terminating End User customers' traffic. In addition, the Parties agree that test traffic is not subject to compensation pursuant to this Appendix Intercarrier Compensation.
- 3.8 The Parties acknowledge that this Attachment addresses solely the method of compensation for traffic properly exchanged by the Parties under this Agreement. This Attachment is not meant to address whether the Parties are obligated to exchange any specific type of traffic, nor the types of services to be offered by AT&T 13STATE pursuant to this agreement.
 - 3.8.1 More specifically, and without limiting the foregoing Section 3.9, the parties acknowledge that this Attachment does not address "Out of Exchange Traffic" with an "Out of Exchange-LEC." The Parties acknowledge that they have agreed upon terms and conditions for the exchange of such traffic, as provided for in Appendix OE-LEC hereto. For purposes of this Agreement, "Out of Exchange LEC" (OE-LEC) means a CLEC operating within AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange area and also providing telecommunications services in another ILEC's incumbent local exchange area that shares mandatory or optional calling with AT&T ILLINOIS. For purposes of this Agreement, "Out of Exchange Traffic" is defined as Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, ISP-Bound Traffic, FX Traffic, Optional EAS Traffic, MCA Traffic, IntraLATA Toll Traffic and/or InterLATA Section 251(b)(5) Traffic exchanged pursuant to an FCC approved or court ordered InterLATA boundary waiver that:
 - (i) Originates from an OE-LEC End User located in another ILEC's incumbent local exchange area and terminates to an AT&T ILLINOIS End User located in an AT&T ILLINOIS local exchange area or;
 - (ii) Originates from an AT&T ILLINOIS End User located in an AT&T ILLINOIS local exchange area and terminates to an OE-LEC End User located in another ILEC's incumbent local exchange area.

4. RECIPROCAL COMPENSATION FOR TERMINATION OF SECTION 251(b)(5) TRAFFIC

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

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

4.2 AT&T ILLINOIS made an offer (the "Offer") to all telecommunications carriers to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic on and after the designated dates provided below pursuant to the terms and conditions of the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan of the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order, In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98, 99-68 (rel. April 27, 2001) ("FCC ISP Compensation Order") which was remanded but not vacated in *WorldCom, Inc. v. FCC*, No. 01-1218 (D.C. Cir. 2002).

AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC agree to carry out the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan on the date designated by AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

4.2.1 Should a regulatory agency, court or legislature change or nullify the AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC and Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) carriers in the state where traffic is exchanged as Local Calls within the meaning of this Appendix.

4.2.2 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. Because of these possibilities, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC, and CMRS carriers in the state where traffic is exchanged as Local Calls within the meaning of this Appendix.

4.3 In AT&T ILLINOIS the rates, terms and conditions for compensation of Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, as defined in Section 4.1 and ISP-Bound Traffic, as defined in Section 5.1 will be compensated at the FCC's interim

- ISP terminating compensation rate as set forth in Section 5.3.2 below in a specific state on the later of (i) the Effective Date of this Agreement and (ii) the effective date of the offer in a particular state. The Parties acknowledge that AT&T ILLINOIS has made such offer in its respective states of (i) Indiana, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin effective on and after June 1, 2003; (ii) Arkansas and Michigan effective on and after July 6, 2003; (iii) California effective on and after August 1, 2003; (iv) Illinois effective on and after September 1, 2003; and (v) Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Nevada on and after June 1, 2004.
- 4.4 In instances where the originating carrier is originating telecommunications traffic over its own facilities, (i.e., not leased or purchased from AT&T ILLINOIS), the following tandem serving rate elements are applicable on a terminating MOU basis and includes compensation for the following sub-elements:
- 4.4.1 Tandem Switching - compensation for the use of tandem switching only consisting of a duration (per minute) rate element.
- 4.4.2 Tandem Transport - compensation for the transmission of traffic between the local tandem and the end offices subtending that tandem consisting of a transport termination (per minute) rate element and transport facility mileage (per minute, per mile) rate element.
- 4.4.3 End Office Switching in a Tandem Serving Arrangement - compensation for the local end office switching and line termination necessary to complete the transmission in a tandem-served arrangement. It consists of a call set-up rate (per message) and a call duration (per minute) rate.
- 4.5 In instances where the originating carrier is originating telecommunications traffic over its own facilities, (i.e., not leased or purchased from AT&T 13-STATE), the following end office switching rate elements are applicable on a terminating MOU basis::
- 4.5.1 End Office Switching - compensation for the local end office switching and line termination necessary to complete the transmission in an end office serving arrangement. It consists of a call set-up rate (per message) and a call duration (per minute) rate.
- 4.6 CLEC shall only be paid End Office Serving Rate Elements.
- 4.7 Intercarrier Compensation for Wholesale Local Switching Traffic
- 4.7.1 Where CLEC purchases local switching from AT&T ILLINOIS on a wholesale basis, CLEC will deal directly with third party carriers for purposes of reciprocal compensation for calls originated by or terminated to the End Users served by such arrangements. AT&T ILLINOIS is required to provide CLEC with timely, complete and correct information to enable CLEC to meet the requirements of this section.
- 4.7.2 The following reciprocal compensation terms shall apply to all traffic exchanged between AT&T ILLINOIS and CLECs when CLEC purchases local switching from AT&T ILLINOIS on a wholesale basis:
- 4.7.2.1 For intra-switch Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC, the Parties agree to impose no call termination charges pertaining to reciprocal compensation on each other.
- 4.7.2.2 For interswitch Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC where CLEC's End User originates a call that is terminated to a AT&T ILLINOIS End User, such traffic shall be paid for reciprocally at the FCC Plan rate set forth in Section 5.3.2 for the transport and termination of Section 251(b)(5) Traffic, and ISP-Bound Traffic.

5. RATES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF FCC'S INTERIM ISP TERMINATING COMPENSATION PLAN

- 5.1 In accordance with the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order, In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Compensation Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98, 99-68 (rel. April, 27, 2001) ("FCC ISP Compensation Order"), "ISP-Bound Traffic" shall mean telecommunications traffic exchanged between

CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS in which the originating End User of one Party and the ISP served by the other Party are:

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

In states in which AT&T ILLINOIS has offered to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound traffic pursuant to the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan set forth in the FCC ISP Compensation Order, traffic is presumed to be ISP-Bound Traffic in accordance with the rebuttable presumption set forth in Section 5.4 of this Appendix.

- 5.2 The Parties hereby agree that the following rates, terms and conditions set forth in Section 5 shall apply to the termination of all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and all ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties in each of the applicable state(s) AT&T ILLINOIS has made an offer as described in Section 4 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 and all ISP-Bound Traffic is subject to the rebuttable presumption.
- 5.3 Intercarrier Compensation for all ISP-Bound Traffic and Section 251(b)(5) Traffic
 - 5.3.1 The rates, terms, and conditions in Section 5 apply to the termination of all ISP-Bound Traffic as defined in Section 5.1 and are subject to the rebuttable presumption.
 - 5.3.2 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.
 - 5.3.3 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.
- 5.4 ISP-Bound Traffic Rebuttable Presumption
 - 5.4.1 In accordance with Paragraph 79 of the FCC's ISP Compensation Order, the Parties agree that there is a rebuttable presumption that any of the combined Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties exceeding a 3:1 terminating to originating ratio is presumed to be ISP-Bound Traffic subject to the compensation terms in this Section 5.4. Either Party has the right to rebut the 3:1 ISP-Bound Traffic presumption by identifying the actual ISP-Bound Traffic by any means mutually agreed by the Parties, or by any method approved by the Commission. If a Party seeking to rebut the presumption takes appropriate action at the Commission pursuant to Section 252 of the Act and the Commission agrees that such Party has rebutted the presumption, the methodology and/or means approved by the Commission for use in determining the ratio shall be utilized by the Parties as of the date of the Commission approval. During the pendency of any such proceedings to rebut the presumption, the Parties will remain obligated to pay the rates set forth in Section 5.3.2 for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic.
- 5.5 For purposes of this Section 5.5, all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and all ISP-Bound Traffic shall be referred to as "Billable Traffic" and will be billed in accordance with Section 13.0 below.
 - 5.5.1 Each party will invoice the other party on a monthly basis for combined Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic exchanged between the Parties at the rate set forth in Section 5.3.2.

6. OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS TRAFFIC

- 6.1 Except as set forth in Section 5 above, the terms of this appendix are not applicable to (i) interstate or intrastate Exchange Access traffic, (ii) Information Access traffic, or (iii) any other type of traffic found to be exempt from reciprocal compensation by the FCC or the Commission, with the exception of ISP-Bound

Traffic which is addressed in this Appendix. All Exchange Access traffic and IntraLATA Toll Traffic shall continue to be governed by the terms and conditions of the applicable federal and state tariffs.

- 6.2 Foreign Exchange (FX) services are retail service offerings purchased by FX customers which allow such FX customers to obtain exchange service from a mandatory local calling area other than the mandatory local calling area where the FX customer is physically located, but within the same LATA as the number that is assigned. FX service enables particular end-user customers to avoid what might otherwise be toll calls between the FX customer's physical location and customers in the foreign exchange. FX Telephone Numbers" 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). There are two types of FX service:
- 6.2.1 "Dedicated FX Traffic" shall mean those calls routed by means of a physical, dedicated circuit delivering dial tone or otherwise serving an End User's station from a serving Central Office (also known as End Office) located outside of that station's mandatory local calling area. Dedicated FX Service permits the End User physically located in one exchange to be assigned telephone numbers resident in the serving Central (or End) Office in another, "foreign," exchange, thereby creating a local presence in that "foreign" exchange.
- 6.2.2 "Virtual Foreign Exchange (FX) Traffic" and "FX-type Traffic" shall refer to those calls delivered to telephone numbers that are rated as local to the other telephone numbers in a given mandatory local calling area, but where the recipient End User's station assigned that telephone number is physically located outside of that mandatory local calling area. Virtual FX Service also permits an End User physically located in one exchange to be assigned telephone numbers resident in the serving Central (or End) Office in another, "foreign," exchange, thereby creating a local presence in the "foreign" exchange. Virtual FX Service differs from Dedicated FX Service, however, in that Virtual FX End Users continue to draw dial tone or are otherwise served from a Central (or End) Office which may provide service across more than one Commission-prescribed mandatory local calling area, whereas Dedicated FX Service End Users draw dial tone or are otherwise served from a Central (or End) Office located outside their mandatory calling area.
- 6.2.3 FX Traffic is not Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and instead the transport and termination compensation for FX Traffic is subject to a Bill and Keep arrangement in AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 6.2.3.1 To the extent that ISP-Bound Traffic is provisioned via an FX-type arrangement, such traffic is subject to a Bill and Keep arrangement. "Bill and Keep" refers to an arrangement in which neither of two interconnecting parties charges the other for terminating FX traffic that originates on the other party's network.
- 6.2.4 Segregating and Tracking FX Traffic
- 6.2.4.1 For AT&T ILLINOIS, the terminating carrier is responsible for separately identifying IntraLATA Virtual FX, Dedicated FX, and FX-type Traffic from other types of Intercarrier traffic for compensation purposes. The terminating carrier will be responsible for providing the originating carrier with an FX Usage Summary which includes a ten (10) digit telephone number level detail of the minutes of use terminated to FX Telephone Numbers on its network each month (or in each applicable billing period, if not billed monthly), or by any means mutually agreed by the Parties.
- 6.2.4.2 The FX factor may be adjusted by the Parties on a quarterly basis.
- 6.2.4.3 Either Party may request an audit of the FX Usage Summary or the FX Factor on no fewer than thirty (30) business day's written notice and any audit shall be accomplished during normal business hours at the office of the Party being audited. Such audit must be performed by a mutually agreed-to auditor paid for by the Party requesting the audit. Such

audits shall be requested within six months of having received the FX Usage Summary or the FX Factor and associated usage from the other Party and may not be requested more than twice per year, once per calendar year, 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.

6.2.4.3.1 If the FX factor is adjusted based upon the audit results, the adjusted FX factor 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 FX factor or underreported the FX 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.

- 6.3 Private Line Services include private line-like and special access services and are not subject to intercarrier compensation. Private Line Services are defined as a digital point-to-point connection that provides a dedicated circuit of pre-subscribed bandwidth between any two points. Private Line Services are used to consolidate communications over one line for voice, data, video and multimedia.
- 6.4 The Parties recognize and agree that ISP and Internet traffic (excluding ISP-Bound Traffic as defined in Section 5.1) could also be exchanged outside of the applicable local calling scope, or routed in ways that could make the rates and rate structure in Sections 4 and 5 above not apply, including but not limited to ISP calls that fit the underlying Agreement's definitions of:
- FX Traffic
 - Optional EAS Traffic
 - IntraLATA Toll Traffic
 - 800, 888, 877, ("8YY") Traffic
 - Feature Group A Traffic
 - MCA Traffic
- 6.5 The Parties agree that, for the purposes of this Appendix, either Party's End Users remain free to place ISP calls under any of the above classifications. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, to the extent such ISP calls are placed, the Parties agree that Sections 4 and 5 above do not apply. The applicable rates, terms and conditions for: (a) FX Traffic are set forth in Section 6.2; (b) Optional EAS Traffic are set forth in Section 7; (c) 8YY Traffic are set forth in Section 10; (d) Feature Group A Traffic are set forth in Section 6.2; (e) IntraLATA Toll Traffic are set forth in Section 12; and/or (f) MCA Traffic are set forth in Section 8.

7. PRIMARY TOLL CARRIER ARRANGEMENTS

- 7.1 In those states wherein Primary Toll Carrier arrangements are mandated and AT&T ILLINOIS is functioning as the PTC for a third party ILEC's End User customers, the following provisions apply to the IntraLATA toll traffic which is subject to the PTC arrangement:
- (i) AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Intrastate Access Service Tariff in the respective state; and/or
 - (ii) AT&T ILLINOIS shall deliver such IntraLATA toll traffic that originated from CLEC and terminated to third party ILEC in accordance with the terms and conditions of such PTC arrangement mandated by the respective state Commission. CLEC shall pay AT&T ILLINOIS for the use of its facilities at the rates set forth in AT&T ILLINOIS' Intrastate Access Service Tariff. CLEC shall pay the ILEC for the termination of such traffic originated from CLEC.

8. INTRALATA 800 TRAFFIC

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

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

- 9.1 Intercarrier compensation for Switched Access Traffic shall be on a Meet Point Billing ("MPB") basis as described below.
- 9.2 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.
- 9.3 Billing for the Switched Exchange Access Services jointly provided by the Parties via MPB arrangements shall be according to the multiple bill/single tariff method. As described in the MECAB document, each Party will render a bill in accordance with its own tariff for that portion of the service it provides. Each Party will bill its own network access service rates. The residual interconnection charge (RIC), if any, will be billed by the Party providing the end office function.
- 9.4 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.
- 9.5 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.
- 9.6 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.
- 9.7 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.
- 9.8 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 9.9 In the event of a loss of data, both Parties shall cooperate to reconstruct the lost data within sixty (60) days of notification and if such reconstruction is not possible, shall accept a reasonable estimate of the lost data, based upon no more than three (3) to twelve (12) consecutive months of prior usage data.

10. COMPENSATION FOR ORIGINATION AND TERMINATION OF INTERLATA TRAFFIC

- 10.1 Where a CLEC originates or terminates its own end user InterLATA Traffic not subject to Meet Point Billing, the CLEC must purchase feature group access service from AT&T ILLINOIS' state or federal access tariffs, whichever is applicable, to carry such InterLATA Traffic.

11. INTRALATA TOLL TRAFFIC COMPENSATION

- 11.1 For intrastate IntraLATA Message Telephone Service (MTS) toll traffic, compensation for termination of such traffic will be at terminating access rates. For intrastate IntraLATA 800 Service, compensation for termination of such traffic will be at originating access rates, including the Carrier Common Line (CCL) charge where applicable. The appropriate access rates are set forth in each Party's Intrastate Access Service Tariff, but such compensation shall not exceed the compensation contained in an AT&T ILLINOIS' 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.
- 11.2 For interstate IntraLATA MTS toll traffic, compensation for termination of such traffic will be at terminating access rates. For interstate IntraLATA 800 Service, compensation for termination of such traffic will be at originating access rates, including the CCL charge where applicable. The appropriate access rates are set forth in each Party's interstate Access Service Tariff, but such compensation shall not exceed the compensation contained in the AT&T ILLINOIS' 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.

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

- 12.1 In AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 Section 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.
- 12.1.1 Where CLEC is using terminating recordings to bill intercarrier compensation, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS non-resale offering whereby AT&T ILLINOIS provides the end office switching on a wholesale basis. Such records will contain the Operating Company Number (OCN) the responsible LEC that originated the calls which CLEC may use to bill such originating carrier for MOUS terminated on CLEC's network.
- 12.2 In states in which AT&T ILLINOIS has offered to exchange Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound traffic pursuant to the FCC's interim ISP terminating compensation plan set forth in the FCC ISP Compensation Order, ISP-Bound Traffic will be calculated using the 3:1 Presumption as set forth in Section 5.4 of this Appendix.
- 12.3 The measurement of minutes of use over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups shall be in actual conversation seconds. The total conversation seconds over each individual Local Interconnection Trunk Group will be totaled for the entire monthly bill and then rounded to the next whole minute.
- 12.4 All ISP-Bound Traffic for a given usage month shall be due and owing at the same time as payments for Section 251(b)(5) under this Appendix. The Parties agree that all terms and conditions regarding disputed minutes of use, nonpayment, partial payment, late payment, interest on outstanding balances, or other billing and payment terms shall apply to ISP-Bound Traffic the same as for Section 251(b)(5) Traffic under this Appendix.
- 12.5 For billing disputes arising from Intercarrier Compensation charges, the party challenging the disputed amounts (the "Non-Paying Party") may withhold payment for the amounts in dispute (the "Disputed

Amounts") from the party rendering the bill (the "Billing Party") only for so long as the dispute remains pending pursuant to the dispute resolution procedures of the General Terms and Conditions. Late payment charges and interest will continue to accrue on the Disputed Amounts while the dispute remains pending. The Non-Paying Party need not pay late payment charges or interest on the Disputed Amounts for so long as the dispute remains pending pursuant to the dispute resolution procedures of the General Terms and Conditions. Upon resolution of the dispute pertaining to the Disputed Amounts in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions of the General Terms and Conditions: (1) the Non-Paying Party will remit the appropriate Disputed Amounts to the Billing Party, together with all related interest and late payment charges, to the Billing Party within ten (10) business days of the resolution of the dispute, if (and to the extent) the dispute is resolved in favor of the Billing Party; and/or (2) the Billing Party will render all appropriate credits and adjustments to the Non-Paying Party for the Disputed Amounts, together with all appropriate interest and late payment charges, within ten (10) business days of the resolution of the dispute, if (and to the extent) the dispute is resolved in favor of the Non-Paying Party.

- 12.6 In the event of a loss of data, both Parties shall cooperate to reconstruct the lost data within sixty (60) days of notification and if such reconstruction is not possible, shall accept a reasonable estimate of the lost data, based upon no more than three (3) to twelve (12) consecutive months of prior usage data.

13. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS AND SPECIFIC INTERVENING LAW TERMS

- 13.1 In the event the pricing scheme in the FCC's Interim ISP Compensation Order (defined in Section 5 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.

14. SWITCHED ACCESS TRAFFIC

- 14.1 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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:

- (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 AT&T End User that obtains local dial tone from AT&T where AT&T is both the Section 251(b)(5) Traffic provider and the IntraLATA toll provider;

- (iii) Switched Access Traffic delivered to AT&T from an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) where the terminating number is ported to another CLEC and the IXC fails to perform the Local Number Portability (LNP) query; and/or
- (iv) Switched Access Traffic delivered to either Party from a third party competitive local exchange carrier over interconnection trunk groups carrying Section 251(b)(5) Traffic and ISP-Bound Traffic (hereinafter referred to as "Local Interconnection Trunk Groups") destined to the other Party.

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

- 14.2 In the limited circumstances in which a third party competitive local exchange carrier delivers Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 15.1 (iv) above to either Party over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, such Party may deliver such Switched Access Traffic to the terminating Party over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. If it is determined that such traffic has been delivered over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups, the terminating Party may object to the delivery of such traffic by providing written notice to the delivering Party pursuant to the notice provisions set forth in the General Terms and Conditions and request removal of such traffic. The Parties will work cooperatively to identify the traffic with the goal of removing such traffic from the Local Interconnection Trunk Groups. If the delivering Party has not removed or is unable to remove such Switched Access Traffic as described in Section 15.1(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.

15. ALTERNATE TANDEM PROVIDER

- 15.1 An Alternate Tandem Provider shall mean a Telecommunications Carrier, with no End Users, that provides tandem switching services to CLEC with whom it is directly interconnected for the purpose of delivering Third Party Originating Carrier traffic via direct interconnection arrangements with AT&T ILLINOIS to (i) AT&T ILLINOIS' End User; (ii) to an End User of a Third Party Terminating Carrier that utilizes local switching from AT&T ILLINOIS purchased on a wholesale basis to provide service to its End Users; and/or (iii) a Third Party Terminating Carrier's End User.
- 15.2 "Third Party Originating Carrier" means a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC), Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC), Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) provider and/or Out-of Exchange Local Exchange Carrier (OE-LEC) that sends traffic originated by its End Users to an Alternate Tandem Provider.
- 15.3 Party Terminating Carrier shall mean Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC), Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC), Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) provider, Out-of Exchange Local Exchange Carrier (OE-LEC), AT&T ILLINOIS as the Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) or a Carrier that utilizes local switching from AT&T ILLINOIS purchased on a wholesale basis to provide service to its End Users, to which traffic is terminated when CLEC uses an Alternate Tandem Provider.
- 15.4 Alternate Tandem Provider sends Traffic originated by the End Users of CLEC functioning as the Third Party Originating Carrier to an End User of AT&T ILLINOIS who is functioning as the Third Party Terminating Carrier, CLEC is responsible for all Minutes of Use ("MOUs") billed by AT&T ILLINOIS for the termination of such traffic.

APPENDIX RECORDING

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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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.

1.1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

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 AT&T ILLINOIS and the Billing Company.

2.6 "Data Transmission" - the forwarding by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 IXC's.
- 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS will record all IXC transported messages for CLEC carried over all Feature Group Switched Access Services that are available to AT&T ILLINOIS provided recording equipment or operators. Unavailable messages (i.e., certain operator messages that are not accessible by AT&T ILLINOIS - provided equipment or operators) will not be recorded. The recording equipment will be provided at locations selected by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 3.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide access usage records that are generated by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 3.4 Assembly and editing will be performed on all IXC transported messages recorded by AT&T ILLINOIS, during the billing period established by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T-2STATE. For AT&T-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. AT&T ILLINOIS reserves the right to limit the frequency of transmission to existing AT&T ILLINOIS processing and work schedules, holidays, etc.
- 3.9 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS will not be recovered and made available to CLEC except on an individual case basis at a cost determined by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 3.11 When AT&T ILLINOIS receives rated billable messages from an IXC or another Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) that are to be billed by CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS will forward those messages to CLEC.
- 3.12 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS under the same terms and conditions of this Appendix.

4. BASIS OF COMPENSATION

- 4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T 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 AT&T 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 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.4 The prices at which AT&T agrees to provide CLEC with Resale Services are contained in the applicable Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable Commission ordered tariff where stated.

2. DESCRIPTION AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES

- 2.1 Resale services are available in accordance with section 251(C)(4) of the Act and consistent with Section 2.12.1.3 of the General Terms and conditions of the Agreement.
- 2.2 A list of Telecommunications Services currently available for resale at the wholesale discount rate for each service determined by the appropriate Commission is set forth in Appendix Pricing. Except as otherwise expressed herein, consistent with AT&T ILLINOIS' obligation under Section 251(c)(4)(A) of the Act and any other applicable limitations or restrictions, CLEC may resell other Telecommunications Services offered at retail by AT&T ILLINOIS at the discount set forth in Appendix Pricing.
- 2.3 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC for resale on terms and conditions that are reasonable and nondiscriminatory.
- 2.5 Grandfathered services are available per appropriate tariff to CLEC for resale at the applicable discount only to the same End User, at the existing End User's location, to which AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to AT&T ILLINOIS' End Users through tariff(s), the rules and regulations associated with AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS retail tariff(s).
- 3.3 Except where otherwise explicitly permitted in AT&T ILLINOIS' 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.

- 3.4 CLEC shall only resell services furnished under this Appendix to the same category of End User(s) to whom AT&T ILLINOIS offers such services (for example, residence service shall not be resold to business End Users).
- 3.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS - CLEC may only resell special needs services" as identified in associated 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 Illinois Commerce Commission and the AT&T ILLINOIS tariffs.
- 3.4.2 This section applies only to AT&T ILLINOIS:
- 3.4.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS LifeLine and Link-Up services are not available for resale.
- 3.4.2.2 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.
- 3.4.2.3 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 the Illinois Commerce Commission requirements.
- 3.5.2 This section applies only to, AT&T ILLINOIS,
- 3.5.2.1 Promotions of ninety (90) days or less are not available to CLEC for resale.
- 3.5.2.2 Promotions of ninety-one (91) days or more are available to CLEC for resale and at the applicable wholesale discount.
- 3.6 CLEC shall not use a resold service to avoid the rates, terms and conditions of AT&T ILLINOIS' corresponding retail tariff(s).
- 3.7 CLEC shall not use resold local Telecommunications Services to provide access or interconnection services to itself, interexchange carriers (IXCs), wireless carriers, competitive access providers (CAPs), or other telecommunications providers; provided, however, that CLEC may permit its End Users to use resold local exchange telephone service to access IXCs, wireless carriers, CAPs, or other retail telecommunications providers.
- 3.8 A Federal End User Common Line charge and any other appropriate Commission-approved charges, as set forth in the appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS in writing that the violation has been corrected. AT&T ILLINOIS will bill CLEC a sum equal (i) the charges that would have been billed by AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC or any Third Party but for the stated violation and (ii) the actual revenues CLEC billed its End User(s) in connection with the stated violation, whichever is greater. Should CLEC dispute the stated violation, CLEC must notify AT&T ILLINOIS in writing of the specific details and reasons for its dispute within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the notice from AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS:
- 3.14.1 AT&T ILLINOIS retail contracts may be assumed unless expressly prohibited by the contract. Contracts for grandfathered and/or sunsetted services may not be assumed.
- 3.14.2 Subject to the provisions of Section 3.15.1, the following shall apply:
- 3.14.2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS tariffed and Individual Case Basis (ICB) contracts that are assumed receive a wholesale discount of 3.16%.

3.14.2.2 AT&T ILLINOIS Non-Standard Service contracts may be assumed, but receive no wholesale discount.

- 3.15 If CLEC elects to terminate a AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will afford CLEC's End Users the ability to make 911 calls. In the areas served by AT&T -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 AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC shall provide AT&T ILLINOIS with accurate and complete information regarding CLEC's End User(s) in a format and time frame prescribed by AT&T ILLINOIS for purposes of E911 administration. In the areas served by AT&T ILLINOIS any 911 fees or surcharges associated with Resale accounts shall be included by AT&T ILLINOIS on CLEC's invoice and CLEC agrees to pay Ameritech all such fees and surcharges. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of White Pages directories, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS from any and all liability for damages due to errors or omissions in CLEC's End User listing information as provided to AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS and AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, and/or against AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS for reasonable attorney's fees and other expenses incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' White Pages directory in the same manner and at the same time that they are delivered to AT&T ILLINOIS' subscribers.

- 4.5.1 If CLEC's End User already has a current AT&T ILLINOIS local White Pages directory, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Subject to any blocking that may be ordered by CLEC for its End Users, to the extent Directory Assistance (DA) services are provided to AT&T ILLINOIS End Users, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC's End Users access to AT&T ILLINOIS Directory Assistance services. CLEC shall pay AT&T ILLINOIS the charges attributable to Directory Assistance services utilized by CLEC's End Users.
- 4.7 Subject to any blocking that may be ordered by CLEC for its End Users', AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 4.8 AT&T ILLINOIS offers CLEC the opportunity to customize route its End Users' OS/DA calls where technically feasible.
- 4.9 OS/DA Branding
 - 4.9.1 Where technically feasible and/or available, AT&T ILLINOIS will brand Operator Services (OS) and/or Directory Assistance (DA) in CLEC's name as outlined below:
 - 4.9.2 Call Branding
 - 4.9.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will brand OS/DA in CLEC's name based upon the information provided by CLEC and as outlined below:
 - 4.9.3 AT&T ILLINOIS – CLEC will provide written specifications of its company name to be used by AT&T ILLINOIS 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).
 - 4.9.4 CLEC name used in branding calls may be subject to Commission regulations and should match the name in which CLEC is doing business.
- 4.10 Branding Load Charges:
 - 4.10.1 AT&T ILLINOIS – 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

5. OS/DA RATE/REFERENCE INFORMATION

- 5.1 When an AT&T ILLINOIS Operator receives a rate request from a CLEC End User, where technically feasible and available, AT&T ILLINOIS will quote the applicable OS/DA rates as provided by the CLEC.
- 5.2 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 AT&T ILLINOIS a completed OSQ thirty (30) calendar days in advance of the date when the DA Services are to be undertaken.
- 5.3 CLEC will inform AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS updated Rate/Reference Information in advance of when the Rate/Reference Information is to become effective.
- 5.4 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.

5.5 Payphone Services

- 5.5.1 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' services offered pursuant to the appropriate payphone section(s) of AT&T ILLINOIS' tariff(s) applicable are referred to in this Appendix as "Payphone Lines." In its Common Carrier Docket No. 96-128, the FCC ordered AT&T ILLINOIS to compensate PSP customers of CLECs that resell AT&T ILLINOIS' 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."
- 5.5.2 The Parties desire that AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 5.5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will pay Payphone Compensation due with respect to Payphone Lines in compliance with the current or any future order of the FCC. AT&T ILLINOIS will pay Payphone Compensation to CLEC only for:
- 5.5.3.1 IntraLATA subscriber 800 calls for which AT&T ILLINOIS provides the 800 service to the subscriber and carries the call; and
- 5.5.3.2 IntraLATA calls placed using AT&T ILLINOIS' prepaid calling card platform and carried by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 5.5.4 AT&T ILLINOIS will not be required to pay any Payphone Compensation for non-sent paid calls.
- 5.5.5 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS deems it necessary to investigate a call or calls for possible fraud.
- 5.5.6 AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS will not automatically issue a check to CLEC if the credit for Payphone Compensation exceeds the balance due to AT&T ILLINOIS on the bill.
- 5.5.7 Nothing in this Appendix entitles CLEC to receive or obligates AT&T ILLINOIS to provide any call detail or other call record for any call that gives rise to Payphone Compensation.
- 5.5.8 CLEC represents and warrants that the only AT&T ILLINOIS services that CLEC will make available to PSPs as Payphone Lines are the payphone services that AT&T ILLINOIS offers pursuant to the appropriate payphone section(s) of AT&T ILLINOIS' tariff(s).
- 5.5.9 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 5.5.10 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 AT&T ILLINOIS and AT&T ILLINOIS' 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.

5.6 Suspension of Service

- 5.6.1 CLEC may offer to resell Customer Initiated Suspension and Restoral Service to its End Users at the associated retail tariff rates, terms and conditions for suspension of service at the request of the End User.
- 5.6.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will offer CLEC local service provider initiated suspension service for CLEC's purposes at the associated AT&T ILLINOIS retail tariff rate for company initiated suspension of service. Carrier Disconnect Service is the provider initiated suspension service available to CLECs in AT&T ILLINOIS. Service specifics may be obtained Illinois CLEC Handbook.
 - 5.6.2.1 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.
 - 5.6.2.2 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 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.
 - 5.6.2.3 Should CLEC suspend service for one of its End Users and subsequently issue a restoral order, CLEC shall be charged the 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 AT&T BRAND

- 6.1 Except where otherwise required by law, CLEC shall not, without AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS or its Affiliates, nor shall CLEC state or imply that there is any joint business association or similar arrangement with AT&T ILLINOIS in the provision of Telecommunications Services to CLEC's customers.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF AT&T ILLINOIS

- 7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS-provided interfaces, as outlined in Appendix OSS.
- 7.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall implement CLEC service orders within the same time intervals AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS in its sole discretion from time to time. All Parties agree to abide by the procedures contained therein.
- 7.4 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS the charges specified in Appendix Pricing under the "OTHER (Resale)" category listed as "Electronic Billing Information Data (daily usage) (per message)."
- 7.5 AT&T ILLINOIS shall make Telecommunications Services that AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS will notify CLEC of any changes in the terms and conditions under which AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS operations centers responsible for handling such requests. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS against any Claim that insufficient information led to inadequate prosecution.
 - 7.6.2 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS upon request and at no charge.
- 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, on behalf of CLEC, agrees to investigate an alleged incidence of slamming, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS receive an order from CLEC for services under this Appendix, and AT&T ILLINOIS is currently providing the same services to another local service provider for the same End User, CLEC agrees that AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 8.5.1 If AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 8.5.2 On no less than sixty (60) calendar days advance written notice, CLEC may, at its option, subscribe to the LDR. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS may change the per WTN charge, at AT&T ILLINOIS' sole discretion, so long as AT&T ILLINOIS provides CLEC no less than thirty (30) calendar days notice prior to any change in the per WTN charge. AT&T ILLINOIS grants to CLEC a non-exclusive right to use the LDR information provided by AT&T ILLINOIS. 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 AT&T ILLINOIS directly to End Users and billed by AT&T ILLINOIS directly to End Users.
- 8.6.1 Interexchange carried traffic (for example, sent-paid, information services and alternate operator services messages) received by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.

- 8.7 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS directly to End Users and billed by AT&T ILLINOIS 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. Charges for Alternatively Billed Calls shall be paid by CLEC at the rated value of the call less the appropriate State discount.
- 8.9 CLEC shall be responsible for modifying and connecting any of its systems with AT&T ILLINOIS-provided interfaces as described in this Appendix and Appendix OSS.
- 8.10 CLEC shall be responsible for providing to its End Users and to AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS with regard to repair requests, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS every January and July using the AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T INC.'S STRUCTURE
(POLES, CONDUITS, AND RIGHTS-OF-WAYS)

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STRUCTURE ACCESS AGREEMENT TO POLES, CONDUITS, AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY

This Agreement dated _____, 2006, is made by and between the "Parties," identified as AT&T Inc. (covering Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.), hereinafter referred to as defined below, and Madison River Communications, LLC (CLEC), a Delaware corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Attaching Party".

This Agreement shall apply to the state(s) of: Illinois

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions for Rights-of-Way (ROW), Conduits and Poles provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS: As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 Definitions in general. As used in this Agreement, the terms defined in this article shall have the meanings set forth below in Sections 2.1 to 2.17 except as the context otherwise requires.
- 2.2 Authorized Contractor. As used in this Agreement the term "Authorized Contractor" is used when referring to any contractor which is included on a list of contractors mutually approved by Attaching Party and AT&T ILLINOIS and who subject to Attaching Party's direction and control, and subject to the requirements and policies in each state, perform facilities modification or make-ready work which would ordinarily be performed by AT&T ILLINOIS or persons acting on AT&T ILLINOIS' behalf as more specifically detailed in Section 21.2.
- 2.3 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 Agreement, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS structures (such as huts and cabinets) which branch off from or are connected to AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit.
- 2.4 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 Agreement, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS structures (such as huts and cabinets) which branch off from or are connected to AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit.
- 2.5 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 Agreement, 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.
- 2.6 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 Agreement, the term "handhole" refers only to handholes which are part of AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit system and does not refer to handholes which provide

- access to buried cables not housed within AT&T ILLINOIS ducts or conduits. As used in this Agreement, the term “handhole” refers only to handhole structures owned or controlled by AT&T ILLINOIS and does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment located within handhole structures.
- 2.7 Occupancy Permit. The term “occupancy permit” refers to a written instrument confirming that AT&T ILLINOIS has granted the structure access request of Attaching Party or a third party for access to pole, duct, conduit, or rights-of-way space.
- 2.8 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 2.9 Make-ready work. The term “make-ready work” refers to all work performed or to be performed to prepare AT&T ILLINOIS’ poles, ducts, conduits, rights-of-way, and related facilities for the requested occupancy or attachment of Attaching Party’s facilities.
- 2.10 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 AT&T ILLINOIS’ conduit system. As used in this Agreement, the term “manhole” does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment located within manhole structures.
- 2.11 Other User. The term “Other User” refers to entities, other than the Attaching Party, with facilities on an AT&T ILLINOIS pole, duct, conduit or rights-of-way to which the Attaching Party has obtained access. Other Users may include AT&T ILLINOIS, other attaching parties, municipalities or other governmental entities, and electric utilities (which may own interests in AT&T ILLINOIS’ poles, ducts, conduits or rights-of-ways).
- 2.12 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.
- 2.13 Periodic Inspections. The term “periodic inspections” refers to inspections that are planned and scheduled by AT&T ILLINOIS, for the purpose of inspecting the facilities of CLEC’s attached to AT&T ILLINOIS structure, (poles, conduits, and rights-of-way).
- 2.14 Pole. The term “pole” refers to poles (and associated anchors) which are owned or controlled by AT&T ILLINOIS and does not include cables and other telecommunications equipment attached to pole structures.
- 2.15 Rights-of-way. The term “rights-of-way” refers to AT&T ILLINOIS owned or controlled legal rights to pass over or through property of another party and used by AT&T ILLINOIS for its telecommunications distribution system. For purposes of this Agreement, “rights-of-way” includes property owned by AT&T ILLINOIS and used by AT&T ILLINOIS for its telecommunications distribution facilities. Rights-of-way does not include:
- 2.15.1 cables and other telecommunications equipment buried or located on such rights-of-way,
 - 2.15.2 public rights-of-way (which are owned by and subject to the control of governmental entities), or
 - 2.15.3 any space which is owned and controlled by a third-party property owner and occupied by AT&T ILLINOIS with permission from such owner rather than as a matter of legal right.
- 2.16 Spot Inspections. The term “spot inspections” refers to spontaneous inspections done by AT&T ILLINOIS, which may be initiated, at AT&T ILLINOIS’ discretion for the purpose of ensuring safety and compliance with AT&T ILLINOIS standards.
- 2.17 Structure. The term “Structure” refers collectively to poles, ducts, conduits and rights-of-way.

3. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

- 3.1 This Agreement establishes the rates, terms, conditions, and procedures by which AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide non-discriminatory access to AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure. Separate tariffs, appendix, 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 Agreement:
- 3.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS' central office vaults and ducts and conduits which serve no purpose other than to provide a means of entry to and exit from AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS; and
 - 3.1.4 ducts, conduits, equipment rooms, and similar spaces located in space leased by AT&T ILLINOIS from third-party property owners for purposes other than to house cables and other equipment in active service as part of AT&T ILLINOIS' network distribution operations.
- 3.2 No Transfer of Property Rights to Attaching Party. Nothing contained in this Agreement, or any occupancy permit subject to this Agreement, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Right to Abandon, Convey or Transfer Structure. Nothing contained in this Agreement, or any occupancy permit subject to this Agreement, shall in any way affect AT&T ILLINOIS' right to abandon, convey, or transfer to any other person or entity AT&T ILLINOIS' interest in any of AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 rights-of-way is to be conveyed or transferred.

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5. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 5.1 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with the interconnection agreement, if any, of which this Agreement is a part, and the Guidelines for Access to AT&T ILLINOIS Structure, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, sets forth the entire understanding and agreement of the parties.
- 5.2 Prior Agreements Superseded. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between Attaching Party and AT&T ILLINOIS relating to the placement and maintenance of Attaching Party's facilities on and within AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Agreement, the terms and conditions of this Agreement 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 Agreement, any obligations of either party under provisions of this Agreement relating to confidential and proprietary information, indemnification, limitations of liability, and any other provisions of this Agreement which, by their terms, are contemplated to survive (or be performed after) termination of this Agreement, will survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 5.5 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 Agreement, be subject to the rates, terms, conditions, and procedures set forth in this Agreement.

- 5.6 The parties shall at all times observe and comply with, and the provisions of this Agreement 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

AT&T ILLINOIS MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS AND DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, THAT AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' POLES, DUCTS, CONDUITS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR THE ATTACHING PARTY'S INTENDED USE.

7. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 7.1 The parties agree that the dispute resolution provisions of the General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection Agreement shall apply to disputes under this agreement.

8. INDEMNIFICATION

- 8.1 The parties agree that the indemnity provisions of the General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection Agreement shall apply in addition to the additional indemnity language below: in Section 8.2-8.5.

8.2 Indemnification for Environmental Claims.

- 8.2.1 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

8.2.1.1 any federal, state, or local environmental statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, or other law or

8.2.1.2 any provision or requirement of this Agreement dealing with hazardous substances or protection of the environment.

- 8.2.2 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 AT&T ILLINOIS pole, duct, conduit, or rights-of-way.

- 8.2.3 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 they have been removed by the indemnifying party or persons acting on the indemnifying party's behalf from the site of any AT&T ILLINOIS pole, duct, conduit, or rights-of-way.

- 8.2.4 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 statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, or other law.

- 8.3 Miscellaneous Claims. Attaching Party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold AT&T ILLINOIS harmless from any and all Claims, of every kind and character, made, brought, or sought against AT&T ILLINOIS by any person or entity, arising out of or in connection with the subject matter of this Agreement and based on either:
- 8.3.1 claims for taxes, municipal fees, franchise fees, right-to-use fees, and other special charges assessed on AT&T ILLINOIS due to the placement or presence of Attaching Party's facilities on or within AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way; or
 - 8.3.2 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.
- 8.4 Attaching Party's General Indemnity Obligations to AT&T ILLINOIS. This section applies only in those situations not expressly covered by Sections 8.3-8.10 and does not apply to any Claims resulting from Attaching Party's enforcement of its rights against AT&T ILLINOIS pursuant to this Agreement or other provisions in the parties' interconnection agreement, if any. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the exclusions set forth in Section 8.2, Attaching Party shall indemnify, on request defend, and hold AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way, Attaching Party's performance of any acts authorized under this Agreement, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way.
- 8.5 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' enforcement of its rights against Attaching Party pursuant to this Agreement or other provisions in the parties' interconnection agreement, if any. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement to the contrary, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' access to or use of AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way, AT&T ILLINOIS' performance of any acts authorized under this Agreement, or the presence or activities of AT&T ILLINOIS' employees or other personnel acting on AT&T ILLINOIS' behalf on, within, or in the vicinity of AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way.

9. LIABILITIES AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

- 9.1 The parties agree that the Liabilities and limitations provisions of the General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection Agreement shall apply under this agreement.

10. INSURANCE

- 10.1 The parties agree that the insurance provisions of the General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection Agreement shall apply under this agreement.

11. ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS

- 11.1 Assignment Permitted. Neither party may assign, or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations, under this Agreement except as provided in this section.
- 11.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS may assign its rights, delegate its benefits, and delegate its duties and obligations under this Agreement, without Attaching Party's consent, to any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with AT&T ILLINOIS or which acquires or succeeds to ownership of substantially all of AT&T ILLINOIS' assets.

- 11.1.2 Overlashing of Attaching Party's facilities on AT&T ILLINOIS poles by a third party will be allowed under the following conditions:
- 11.1.2.1 The Overlashing entity must enter into an agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS for access to AT&T ILLINOIS Structures and abide by the terms and conditions of such an Occupancy Permit.
 - 11.1.2.2 The Overlashing entity must obtain written approval from the Attaching Party and provide a copy to AT&T ILLINOIS prior to submitting a request for access to structure.
 - 11.1.2.3 The Overlashing party must submit a written request for access to structure, and indicate on the request that the request is for Overlashing of an existing attachment of the Attaching Party in order to ensure that pole loadings are not exceeded.
 - 11.1.2.4 The Overlashing entity is responsible for paying the fees for Overlashing in Appendix I and/or Appendix Pricing which are separate and in addition to the fees paid by the Attaching Party (e.g. the application fees and all make ready fees, etc.).
- 11.1.3 Attaching Party may, ancillary to a bona fide loan transaction between Attaching Party and any lender, and without AT&T ILLINOIS' consent, grant security interests or make collateral assignments in substantially all of Attaching Party's assets, including Attaching Party's rights under this Agreement, subject to the express terms of this Agreement. 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 Agreement shall assume all outstanding obligations of Attaching Party under the agreement and provide proof satisfactory to AT&T ILLINOIS that such lender or third party has complied or will comply with all requirements established under this Agreement. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Agreement 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 shall be effective until Attaching Party, its successors, and assigns have complied with the provisions of this article, secured AT&T ILLINOIS' prior written consent to the assignment or transfer, if necessary, and given AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 11.3 Assignment Shall Not Relieve Attaching Party of Prior Obligations. Except as otherwise expressly agreed by AT&T ILLINOIS in writing, no assignment permitted by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Agreement or the interconnection agreement, if any.

- 11.4 Satisfaction of Existing Obligations and Assumption of Contingent Liabilities. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Agreement and all occupancy permits subject to this Agreement 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way.
- 12.2 Individual occupancy permits subject to this Agreement shall terminate if (a) Attaching Party ceases to utilize the pole attachment or conduit or rights-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.
- 12.3 Limitation, Termination, or Refusal of Access for Certain Material Breaches. Attaching Party's access to AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure shall not materially interfere with or impair service over any facilities of AT&T ILLINOIS or any Other User, cause material damage to AT&T ILLINOIS' plant or the plant of any Other User, impair the privacy of communications carried over the facilities of AT&T ILLINOIS or any Other User, or create serious hazards to the health or safety of any persons working on, within, or in the vicinity of AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, rights-of-way or to the public. Upon reasonable notice and opportunity to cure, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Agreement 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 Agreement 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 Agreement 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 Agreement. In any action based on an alleged breach of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all costs and expenses incurred by such party, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' 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 Agreement, to give notice of any breach, or to terminate this Agreement or any occupancy permit or authorization subject to this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver or relinquishment of any term or condition of this Agreement, a waiver or relinquishment of the right to give notice of breach, or waiver or relinquishment of any right to terminate this Agreement.

14. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

- 14.1 Information Provided by Attaching Party to AT&T ILLINOIS. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all company-specific and customer-specific information submitted by Attaching Party to AT&T ILLINOIS in connection with this Agreement (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 AT&T ILLINOIS facilities. This article does not limit the use by AT&T ILLINOIS of aggregate information relating to the occupancy and use of AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure by firms other than AT&T ILLINOIS (that is, information submitted by Attaching Party and aggregated by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS in connection with this Agreement 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, AT&T ILLINOIS and persons acting on AT&T ILLINOIS' behalf may utilize Attaching Party's confidential or proprietary information for the following purposes:
- 14.3.1 posting information, as necessary, to AT&T ILLINOIS' outside plant records;
 - 14.3.2 placing, constructing, installing, operating, utilizing, maintaining, monitoring, inspecting, repairing, relocating, transferring, conveying, removing, or managing AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure and any AT&T ILLINOIS facilities located on, within, or in the vicinity of such Structure;
 - 14.3.3 performing AT&T ILLINOIS' obligations under this Agreement and similar agreements with third parties;
 - 14.3.4 determining which of AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure are (or may in the future be) available for AT&T ILLINOIS' own use, and making planning, engineering, construction, and budgeting decisions relating to AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure;
 - 14.3.5 preparing cost studies;
 - 14.3.6 responding to regulatory requests for information;
 - 14.3.7 maintaining AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS and any person or entity, including Attaching Party, concerning AT&T ILLINOIS' 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, AT&T ILLINOIS may utilize confidential or proprietary information submitted by Attaching Party in connection with this Agreement 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 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not disclose Attaching Party's proprietary or confidential information without first, at AT&T ILLINOIS' option:

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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not disclose Attaching Party's proprietary or confidential information without first, at AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS has the authority to do so, AT&T ILLINOIS grants Attaching Party a right to use any rights-of-way for AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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, rights-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 AT&T ILLINOIS pole, duct or conduit to which Attaching Party seeks to attach its facilities. Attaching Party shall furnish proof of any such easement, rights-of-way, license, permit, permission, certification, or franchise within thirty (30) days of request by AT&T ILLINOIS. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS has access to third-party property pursuant to non-exclusive rights-of-way, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS has obtained exclusive rights-of-way from third-party property owners or otherwise controls the rights-of-way, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to provide such access, and provided further that AT&T

ILLINOIS' charges for such access shall include Attaching Party's pro rata portion of the charges, if any, paid by AT&T ILLINOIS to obtain the rights-of-way, plus any other documented legal, administrative, and engineering costs incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS in obtaining the rights-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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles or occupying space in AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Agreement and the Administrative Guide.
- 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 the AT&T ILLINOIS Structure Access Guidelines
- 16.3 Opening of Manholes and Access to Conduit. The following requirements apply to the opening of AT&T ILLINOIS' manholes and access to AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit system.
 - 16.3.1 Attaching Party will notify AT&T ILLINOIS not less than 5 business days in advance before entering AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 An authorized employee or representative of AT&T ILLINOIS may be present any time when Attaching Party or personnel acting on Attaching Party's behalf enter or perform work within AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit system. Attaching party must notify AT&T ILLINOIS when Attaching Party has completed such work in the conduit system. If AT&T ILLINOIS has not had the opportunity to complete the review, AT&T ILLINOIS will attempt to meet with Attaching Party's contractors to finalize the review. If AT&T ILLINOIS is not available when Attaching Party notifies AT&T ILLINOIS of their notice of completion then AT&T ILLINOIS will perform a post-construction inspection as described in section 26.1. Attaching Party shall reimburse AT&T ILLINOIS for costs associated with the presence of AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS will, upon request and at the expense of the Attaching Party, provide Attaching Party access to and copies of redacted maps, records and additional information relating to the location, capacity and utilization of AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure. Upon request, AT&T ILLINOIS will meet with the Attaching Party to clarify matters relating to maps, records or additional information. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, are provided to the Attaching Party solely for the pursue of enabling the Attaching Party to obtain access to AT&T ILLINOIS Structure, and may not be resold, reproduced or disseminated by the Attaching Party.
- 17.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide information currently available on the AT&T ILLINOIS maps and/or records regarding:
- 17.3.1 the location of Structure and street addresses for manholes and poles as shown on AT&T ILLINOIS maps;
 - 17.3.2 the footage between manholes or lateral ducts lengths, as shown on AT&T ILLINOIS maps;
 - 17.3.3 the footage between poles, if shown on AT&T ILLINOIS maps;
 - 17.3.4 the total capacity of the Structure
 - 17.3.5 the existing utilization of the Structure.
- 17.4 AT&T ILLINOIS will not acquire additional information or provide information in formats other than that in which it currently exists and is maintained by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 17.5 AT&T ILLINOIS will expunge any confidential or proprietary information from its maps and records prior to providing access to the Attaching Party.
- 17.6 AT&T ILLINOIS will:
- 17.6.1 Within five (5) business days after attaching party submits Billing Authorization to AT&T ILLINOIS, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify attaching party of the place and time that attaching party may view the Structure Records.
 - 17.6.2 The viewing room must be reserved for a minimum of two (2) hours. Attaching Party may request additional time prior to the viewing date. AT&T ILLINOIS may not be able to provide attaching party with unscheduled additional time for viewing AT&T ILLINOIS Structure Records on the viewing date, but if unable will immediately make alternative arrangements that are mutually acceptable for the viewing of records as soon thereafter as possible
 - 17.6.3 AT&T ILLINOIS may make available at the Attaching Party's expense, an AT&T ILLINOIS representative with sufficient knowledge about AT&T ILLINOIS Structure Records to clarify matters relating to such Structure Records and to assist Attaching Party during their viewing.
- 17.7 Charges associated with map preparation, viewing and assistance will be on a Time and Material basis as set forth in the following Applicable Tariffs:
- 17.7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS- FCC No. 2 Access Services Tariff, Section 13.1.1

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 AT&T ILLINOIS poles or placing facilities within specified AT&T ILLINOIS ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way.
- 18.2 Structure Access Request Form. To apply for an occupancy permit under this Agreement, Attaching Party shall submit to AT&T ILLINOIS the appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Structure. In addition, Attaching Party shall also:
- 18.2.1 submit payment for the estimate authorizing AT&T ILLINOIS or its contractor to complete the make-ready survey; or
 - 18.2.2 advise AT&T ILLINOIS of its willingness to perform the proposed make-ready work itself or an Authorized Contractor if permissible in the application area

- 18.2.3 confirm that Attaching Party has calculated storm loadings, guying, or pole class to ensure pole loadings are not exceeded and indicate if additional holding or loading capacity is required.
- 18.2.4 provide sufficient information to identify and describe the physical characteristics (size, dimensions, and weight) of apparatus enclosures and other facilities to be attached to AT&T ILLINOIS poles or placed in AT&T ILLINOIS conduit system.
- 18.3 Make-Ready Survey. A Make-Ready survey must be completed by AT&T ILLINOIS or, subject to the requirements and policies in each state, the Attaching Party before an occupancy permit is issued. The primary purposes of the make ready survey will be to enable AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS structures;
- 18.3.2 plan and engineer the facilities modification, capacity expansion, and make-ready work, if any, required to prepare AT&T ILLINOIS poles, ducts, conduits, rights-of-way, and associated facilities for Attaching Party's proposed attachments or occupancy;
- 18.3.3 estimate the costs associated with such facilities modification, capacity expansion, or make-ready work; and
- 18.3.4 identify the owner of the pole.

19. POLE, DUCT, AND CONDUIT SPACE ASSIGNMENTS

- 19.1 Selection of Space. AT&T ILLINOIS will select or approve the Attaching Party's selection of the space Applicant will occupy on AT&T ILLINOIS poles or in AT&T ILLINOIS conduit systems. Maintenance ducts shall not be considered available for Attaching Party's use except as specifically provided elsewhere in this Agreement. 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, the pole, duct, and conduit space selected and/or approved by AT&T ILLINOIS in such application will be assigned to Attaching Party for a pre-occupancy period not to exceed twelve (12) months.
- 19.2.2 AT&T ILLINOIS may assign space to itself by making appropriate entries in the same records used to log assignments to Attaching Party and third parties. If AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS record if AT&T ILLINOIS has not occupied such assigned space within such 12 month period.
- 19.2.3 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Structure, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS or its contractor to complete the make-ready work; or
- 20.3.2 advise AT&T ILLINOIS of its willingness to perform the proposed make-ready work itself if permissible in the application area.
- 20.3.2.1 Make-ready work performed by Attaching Party, or by an Authorized Contractor selected by Attaching Party, shall be performed in accordance with AT&T ILLINOIS' specifications and in accordance with the same standards and practices which would be followed if such work were being performed by AT&T ILLINOIS or AT&T ILLINOIS' contractors. Neither Attaching Party nor Authorized Contractors selected by Attaching Party shall conduct such work in any manner which degrades the integrity of AT&T ILLINOIS' Structures or interferes with any existing use of AT&T ILLINOIS' facilities or the facilities of any Other User.
- 20.4 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles or occupying space in AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits and rights of ways.
- 20.5 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 AT&T ILLINOIS for the use of such additional capacity. If AT&T ILLINOIS utilizes additional space or capacity created at Attaching Party's expense, AT&T ILLINOIS will reimburse Attaching Party on a pro-rata basis for AT&T ILLINOIS' share, if any, of Attaching Party's capacity expansion costs, to the extent reimbursement is required by applicable rules, regulations, and commission orders. AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the Attaching Party if AT&T ILLINOIS attaches facilities to additional capacity on AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure created at the Attaching Party's expense. AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 20.6 If Attaching Party utilizes space or capacity on any AT&T ILLINOIS Structure created at AT&T ILLINOIS' expense after February of 1996, the Attaching Party will reimburse Attaching Party on a pro-rata basis for the Attaching Party's share, if any, of AT&T ILLINOIS' capacity creation costs.
- 20.7 Occupancy Permit and Attachment. After all required make-ready work is completed, AT&T ILLINOIS will issue an occupancy permit confirming that Attaching Party may attach specified facilities to AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure.
- 20.8 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 AT&T ILLINOIS or Other User.

- 20.9 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles and the placement of such facilities in AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Responsibilities of Attaching Party. Attaching Party is responsible for the Authorized Contractors or contractors it selects.
- 21.2.1 As used in this Agreement, the term "Authorized Contractor" does not refer to contractors performing routine installation, maintenance, or repair work on Attaching Party's behalf or other contractors who may be selected by Attaching Party to perform work on Attaching Party's behalf without AT&T ILLINOIS' approval.
- 21.2.2 Subject to state specific requirements, Authorized Contractors have received certification from AT&T ILLINOIS to perform one or more of the following tasks within a specified AT&T ILLINOIS construction district, as applicable:
- (a) installation of those sections of Attaching Party's ducts or facilities which connect to AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit system;
 - (b) installation of inner duct;
 - (c) excavation work in connection with the removal of retired or inactive (dead) cables; or
 - (d) Make-Ready work.
- 21.2.3 A person or entity approved as an Authorized Contractor is only an Authorized Contractor with respect to those tasks for which such person or entity has been approved by both parties and is an Authorized Contractor only in those AT&T ILLINOIS construction districts agreed to by both parties.
- 21.2.4 Designation of an Authorized Contractor for a specific category of tasks shall not be deemed to be the designation of such person or entity as an Authorized Contractor for other purposes, nor shall approval of an Authorized Contractor by one AT&T ILLINOIS' construction district constitute approval of such Authorized Contractor for the area served by a different AT&T ILLINOIS construction district; provided, however, that if a specific construction job extends beyond the boundaries of a single construction district, an Authorized Contractor shall, for the purposes of that job, be deemed to have been approved by all AT&T ILLINOIS construction districts in which the work is to be performed.
- 21.3 Construction Schedule. After the issuance of an occupancy permit, Attaching Party shall provide AT&T ILLINOIS with a construction schedule and thereafter keep AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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.

- 22.2 Short-term Use of Maintenance Ducts for Repair and Maintenance Activities. Maintenance ducts shall be available, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS. A person or entity using the maintenance duct for non-emergency maintenance or repair activities shall immediately notify AT&T ILLINOIS of such use and must either vacate the maintenance duct within 30 days or, with AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS in writing at least 30 days before adding to, relocating, replacing or otherwise modifying its facilities already attached to a AT&T ILLINOIS Structure. The notice shall contain sufficient information to enable AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Overlashing Additional Cables. Attaching Party may replace existing facilities with new facilities occupying the same AT&T ILLINOIS Structure, and may overlash 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 AT&T ILLINOIS and other users in making rearrangements to AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Agreement 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 AT&T ILLINOIS within 12 hours of the current business day (or first business day following a non-business day) that such entity is entering the AT&T ILLINOIS 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 25.3, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Attaching Party occupies the maintenance ducts. If Attaching Party fails to vacate the maintenance duct as described above, AT&T ILLINOIS may install a maintenance conduit at the Attaching Party's expense.
- 25.2 Designation of Emergency Repair Coordinators and Other Information. For each AT&T ILLINOIS construction district, Attaching Party shall provide AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS replacement pole, the transfer shall be in accordance with AT&T ILLINOIS' placement instructions.
- 25.4.3 If Attaching Party is unable to respond to the emergency situation immediately, Attaching Party shall so advise AT&T ILLINOIS and thereby authorize AT&T ILLINOIS (or any Other User sharing the pole with AT&T ILLINOIS) to perform such emergency-necessitated transfers (and

associated facilities rearrangements) on Attaching Party's behalf at the Attaching Party's expense.

- 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 AT&T ILLINOIS for the costs incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS for work performed by AT&T ILLINOIS on Attaching Party's behalf in accordance with the provisions of this article.

26. INSPECTION BY AT&T OF ATTACHING PARTY'S FACILITIES AND NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE

- 26.1 Post-Construction Inspections. AT&T ILLINOIS will, at the Attaching Party's expense, conduct a post-construction inspection of the Attaching Party's attachment of facilities to AT&T ILLINOIS' Structures for the purpose of determining the conformance of the attachments to the occupancy permit. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the Attaching Party advance written notice of proposed date and time of the post-construction inspection. The Attaching Party may accompany AT&T ILLINOIS on the post-construction inspection.

- 26.2 Right to Make Periodic or Spot Inspections. AT&T ILLINOIS shall have the right, but not the obligation, to make Periodic or Spot Inspections of all facilities attached to AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure. Periodic Inspections will not be made more often than once every 2 years unless in AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Agreement, 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 Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Agreement, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Structures is required to bring Attaching Party's facilities into compliance, the Attaching Party shall provide notice to AT&T ILLINOIS 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. If the violation creates a hazardous condition, facilities must be brought into compliance upon notification.

- 26.5 Notice of Noncompliance. If, at any time, AT&T ILLINOIS determines that Attaching Party's facilities or any part thereof have not been placed or maintained or are not being used in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS may send written notice to Attaching Party specifying the alleged noncompliance. Attaching Party agrees to acknowledge receipt of the notice as soon as practicable. If Attaching Party does not dispute AT&T ILLINOIS' assertion that such facilities are not in compliance, Attaching Party agrees to provide AT&T ILLINOIS with a schedule for bringing such facilities into compliance, to bring the facilities into compliance within a reasonable time, and to notify AT&T ILLINOIS in writing when the facilities have been brought into compliance.

- 26.6 Disputes over Alleged Noncompliance. If Attaching Party disputes AT&T ILLINOIS' assertion that Attaching Party's facilities are not in compliance, Attaching Party shall notify AT&T ILLINOIS in writing of the basis for Attaching Party's assertion that its facilities are in compliance.
- 26.7 Failure to Bring Facilities into Compliance. If Attaching Party has not brought the facilities into compliance within a reasonable time or provided AT&T ILLINOIS with proof sufficient to persuade AT&T ILLINOIS that AT&T ILLINOIS erred in asserting that the facilities were not in compliance, and if AT&T ILLINOIS determines in good faith that the alleged noncompliance causes or is likely to cause material damage to AT&T ILLINOIS' facilities or those of other users, AT&T ILLINOIS may, at its option and Attaching Party's expense, take such non-service affecting steps as may be required to bring Attaching Party's facilities into compliance, including but not limited to correcting any conditions which do not meet the specifications of this Agreement.
- 26.8 Correction of Conditions by AT&T ILLINOIS. If AT&T ILLINOIS elects to bring Attaching Party's facilities into compliance, the provisions of this Section shall apply.
- 26.8.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will, whenever practicable, notify Licensee in writing before performing such work. The written notice shall describe the nature of the work to be performed and AT&T ILLINOIS' schedule for performing the work.
- 26.8.2 If Attaching Party's facilities have become detached or partially detached from supporting racks or wall supports located within a AT&T ILLINOIS manhole, AT&T ILLINOIS may, at Attaching Party's expense, reattach them but shall not be obligated to do so. If AT&T ILLINOIS does not reattach Attaching Party's facilities, AT&T ILLINOIS shall endeavor to arrange with Attaching Party for the reattachment of any facilities affected.
- 26.8.3 AT&T ILLINOIS shall, as soon as practicable after performing the work, advise Attaching Party in writing of the work performed or action taken. Upon receiving such notice, Attaching Party shall inspect the facilities and take such steps as Attaching Party may deem necessary to insure that the facilities meet Attaching Party's performance requirements.
- 26.9 Attaching Party to Bear Expenses. Attaching Party shall bear all expenses arising out of or in connection with any work performed to bring Attaching Party's facilities into compliance with this Section; provided, however that nothing contained in this Section or any license issued hereunder shall be construed as requiring Attaching Party to bear any expenses which, under applicable federal or state laws or regulations, must be borne by persons or entities other than Attaching Party.

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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure in a manner sufficient to identify the facilities as those belonging to the Attaching Party.
- 27.2 Removal of Untagged Facilities. AT&T ILLINOIS may, without notice to any person or entity, remove from AT&T ILLINOIS' poles or any part of AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit system the Attaching Party's facilities, if AT&T ILLINOIS determines that such facilities are not the subject of a current occupancy permit and are not otherwise lawfully present on AT&T ILLINOIS' poles or in AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' poles or anchors or within any part of AT&T ILLINOIS' conduit system, AT&T ILLINOIS, without prejudice to other rights or remedies available to AT&T ILLINOIS under this Agreement, and without prejudice to any rights or remedies which may exist independent of this 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 Agreement.

- 27.4 Attaching Party's Response. Within 60 days after receiving a notice under Section 27.5 of this Agreement, Attaching Party shall acknowledge receipt of the notice and submit to AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS approves Attaching Party's application for a new or amended occupancy permit, Attaching Party shall be liable to AT&T ILLINOIS for all fees and charges associated with the unauthorized attachments as specified in Section 27.10 of this Agreement. The issuance of a new or amended occupancy permit as provided by this article shall not operate retroactively or constitute a waiver by AT&T ILLINOIS of any of its rights or privileges under this Agreement or otherwise.
- 27.6 Attachment and occupancy fees and charges shall continue to accrue until the unauthorized facilities are removed from AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS licensing requirements. Such fees and charges shall be due and payable 30 days after the date of the bill or invoice stating such fees and charges. In addition, the Attaching Party shall be liable for an unauthorized attachment and/or occupancy fee as specified in Section 29 of this Agreement. Payment of such fees shall be deemed liquidated damages and not a penalty. In addition, Attaching Party shall rearrange or remove its unauthorized facilities at AT&T ILLINOIS' request to comply with applicable placement standards, shall remove its facilities from any space occupied by or assigned to AT&T ILLINOIS or another Other User, and shall pay AT&T ILLINOIS for all costs incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS may, at AT&T ILLINOIS' option, remove Attaching Party's facilities at Attaching Party's expense.
- 27.8 No Ratification of Unpermitted Attachments or Unauthorized Use of AT&T ILLINOIS' Facilities. No act or failure to act by AT&T ILLINOIS with regard to any unauthorized attachment or occupancy or unauthorized use of AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure shall be deemed to constitute a ratification by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS pole or in a AT&T ILLINOIS duct or conduit, Applicant will provide written notification to AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure.
- 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' manholes.
- 28.1.3 Applicant shall be solely responsible for the removal of its own facilities from AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure.

- 28.2 At AT&T ILLINOIS' request, Attaching Party shall remove from AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure any of Attaching Party's facilities which are no longer in active use. Upon request, the Attaching Party will provide proof satisfactory to AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure.
- 28.3 Removal Following Termination of Occupancy permit. Attaching Party shall remove its facilities from AT&T ILLINOIS' poles, ducts, conduits, or rights-of-way within 30 days after termination of the occupancy permit.
- 28.4 Removal Following Replacement of Facilities. Attaching Party shall remove facilities no longer in service from AT&T ILLINOIS' Structures within 30 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.
- 28.5 Removal to Avoid Forfeiture. If the presence of Attaching Party's facilities on or in AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure would cause a forfeiture of the rights of AT&T ILLINOIS to occupy the property where such Structure is located, AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS will give Attaching Party not less than 30 days from the date of notice to remove Attaching Party's facilities unless prior removal is required to prevent the forfeiture of AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS; Notice of Intent to Remove. If Attaching Party fails to remove its facilities from AT&T ILLINOIS' Structure in accordance with the provisions of Sections 28.1-28.6 of this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS shall give Attaching Party not less than 30 days prior written notice of its intent to remove Attaching Party's facilities pursuant to this section.
- 28.7 Removal of Facilities by AT&T ILLINOIS. If AT&T ILLINOIS removes any of Attaching Party's facilities pursuant to this article, Attaching Party shall reimburse AT&T ILLINOIS for AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Agreement will be set forth in Exhibit I of this Appendix. 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, AT&T ILLINOIS shall have the right to change the rates, charges and fees outlined in this Agreement. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Agreement, (2) terminate this Agreement, 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.

30.1.1 If 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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, materialmen and other persons or entities performing work or providing materials in connection with Attaching Party's performance under this Agreement. In the event any lien, claim or demand is made on AT&T ILLINOIS by any such employee, contractor, subcontractor, mechanic, materialman, or other person or entity providing such materials or performing such work, AT&T ILLINOIS may require, in addition to any security provided under Section 30.1 of this Agreement, that Attaching Party execute payment or performance bonds, or provide such other security, as AT&T ILLINOIS may deem reasonable or necessary to protect AT&T ILLINOIS from any such lien, claim or demand.

APPENDIX LAWFUL UNES (LAWFUL 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 AT&T Inc. (AT&T)-owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) will 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 ((Act, Section 251(c)(3)). For information regarding deposit, billing, payment, non-payment, disconnect, and dispute resolution, see the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.
- 1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.3 The Prices at which AT&T ILLINOIS 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. This Agreement establishes terms and conditions under which AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC with access to unbundled network elements under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act in AT&T ILLINOIS' incumbent local exchange areas for the provision of Telecommunications Services by CLEC; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS shall be obligated to provide UNES only to the extent required by Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders, and may decline to provide UNES to the extent that provision of the UNE(s) is not required by Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders. UNES that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to provide pursuant to Section 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."
 - 2.1.1 A network element, including a network element referred to as a Lawful UNE under this Agreement, will cease to be a Lawful UNE under this Agreement if it is no longer required by Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders. Without limitation, a Lawful UNE that has ceased to be a Lawful UNE may also be referred to as "Declassified."
 - 2.1.2 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 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 (b) the issuance of any valid law, order or rule by the Congress, FCC or a judicial body stating that an incumbent LEC 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; or (c) the absence, by vacatur or otherwise, of a legally effective FCC rule requiring the provision of the network element on an unbundled basis under Section 251(c)(3). By way of example only, a network element can cease to be a Lawful UNE or be Declassified generally, or on an element-specific, route-specific or geographically-specific basis or on a class of elements basis. Under any scenario, Section 2.5 "Transition Procedure" shall apply.
 - 2.1.3 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. If an element is not required to be provided under this Appendix Lawful UNE and/or not described in this Appendix

Lawful UNE, it is the Parties' intent that the element is not available under this Agreement, notwithstanding any reference to the element elsewhere in the Agreement, including in any other Appendix, Schedule or in the Pricing Appendix.

- 2.1.4 By way of example only, if terms and conditions of this Agreement state that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to provide a Lawful UNE or Lawful UNE combination, and that Lawful UNE or the involved Lawful UNE (if a combination) is Declassified or otherwise no longer constitutes a Lawful UNE, then AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 2.2 Nothing contained in the Agreement shall be deemed to constitute consent by AT&T ILLINOIS that any item identified in this Agreement as a UNE, network element or Lawful UNE is a network element or UNE under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, as determined by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders, that AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 2.3 The preceding includes without limitation that AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be obligated to provide combinations (whether considered new, pre-existing or existing) or other arrangements (including, where applicable, Commingled Arrangements) involving AT&T ILLINOIS network elements that do not constitute Lawful UNES, or where Lawful UNES are not requested for permissible purposes.
- 2.4 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.
- 2.5 Non-Impaired Wire Center Criteria and Related Processes
- 2.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS has designated and posted to CLEC Online the wire centers where it contends the thresholds for DS1 and DS3 Unbundled High-Capacity Loops as defined pursuant to Rule 51.319(a)(4) and Rule 51.319(a)(5) and for Tier 1 and Tier 2 Non-Impaired Wire Centers as defined pursuant to Rule 51.319(e)(3)(i) and Rule 51.319(e)(3)(ii) have been met. AT&T ILLINOIS' designations shall be treated as controlling (even if CLEC believes the list is inaccurate) for purposes of transition and ordering unless CLEC provides a self-certification as outlined below. Until CLEC provides a self-certification for High-Capacity Loops and/or Transport for such wire center designations, CLEC will not submit High Capacity Loop and/or Transport orders based on the wire center designation, and if no self-certification is provided will transition its Embedded Base of DS1 and DS3 Loop and Transport arrangements affected by the designation by disconnecting or transitioning to an alternate facility or arrangement, if available, by March 11, 2006. CLEC will transition any affected Dark Fiber Transport arrangements affected by the wire center designations by disconnecting or transitioning to an alternate facility or arrangement, if available, by September 11, 2006. AT&T ILLINOIS will update the CLEC Online posted list and will advise CLECs of such posting via Accessible Letter, which term for the purposes of this Section 2.5 of this Agreement shall be deemed to mean an Accessible Letter issued after the effective date of this Agreement, as set forth in this Section 2.5 of this Agreement.
- 2.5.2 If the Commission has not previously determined, in any proceeding, that a wire center is properly designated as a wire center meeting the thresholds set forth pursuant to Rule 51.319(a)(4), Rule 51.319(a)(5), Rule 51.319(e)(3)(i) and Rule 51.319(e)(3)(ii), then, prior to submitting an order for an unbundled a DS1/DS3 High-Capacity Loop, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangement, CLEC shall perform a reasonably diligent inquiry to determine that, to the best of CLEC's knowledge, whether the wire center meets the non-impairment thresholds as set forth pursuant to Rule 51.319(a)(4), Rule 51.319(a)(5), Rule 51.319(e)(3)(i) and Rule 51.319(e)(3)(ii). If, based on its reasonably diligent inquiry, the CLEC disputes the AT&T ILLINOIS wire center non-

impairment designation, the CLEC will provide a self-certification to AT&T ILLINOIS identifying the wire center(s) for which it is self-certifying. In performing its inquiry, CLEC shall not be required to consider any lists of non-impaired Wire Centers compiled by AT&T ILLINOIS as creating a presumption that a Wire Center is not impaired. CLEC can send a letter to AT&T ILLINOIS claiming Self Certification or CLEC may elect to self-certify using a written or electronic notification sent to AT&T ILLINOIS. If CLEC makes such a self-certification, and CLEC is otherwise entitled to the ordered element under the Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provision the requested facilities in accordance with CLEC's order and within AT&T ILLINOIS' standard ordering interval applicable to such facilities. If AT&T ILLINOIS in error rejects CLEC orders, where CLEC has provided self certification in accordance with this Section 2.5 of this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS will modify its systems to accept such orders within 5 business hours of CLEC notification to its account manager. CLEC may not submit a self-certification for a wire center after the transition period for the DS1/DS3 Loops and/or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport and/or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport impacted by the designation of the wire center has passed

2.5.3 The parties recognize that wire centers that AT&T ILLINOIS had not designated as meeting the FCC's non-impairment thresholds as of March 11, 2005, may meet those thresholds in the future. In the event that a wire center that is not currently designated as meeting one or more of the FCC's non-impairment thresholds, meets one or more of these thresholds at a later date, AT&T ILLINOIS may add the wire center to the list of designated wire centers and the Parties will use the following process:

2.5.3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS may update the wire center list as changes occur.

2.5.3.2 To designate a wire center that had previously not met one or more of the FCC's impairment thresholds but subsequently does so, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide notification to CLEC via Accessible Letter and by a posting on CLEC Online.

2.5.3.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will continue to accept CLEC orders for impacted DS1/DS3 High Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport and/or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport without requiring CLEC self-certification for 30 calendar days after the date the Accessible Letter is issued.

2.5.3.4 In the event the CLEC disagrees with AT&T ILLINOIS' determination and CLEC has 60 calendar days from the issuance of the Accessible Letter to dispute AT&T ILLINOIS' determination regarding the wire center by providing a self-certification to AT&T ILLINOIS.

2.5.3.5 If the CLEC does not use the self-certification process described in this Section 2.5 of this Agreement to self-certify against AT&T ILLINOIS' wire center designation within 60 calendar days of the issuance of the Accessible Letter, the parties must comply with the Applicable Transitional Period as follows: transition all circuits that have been declassified by the wire center designation(s) within 30 days ending on the 90th day after the issuance of the Accessible Letter providing the wire center designation of non-impairment or the end of the applicable transition period described in Section 2.5.1 of this Agreement, whichever is later. For the Applicable Transitional Period, no additional notification will be required. CLEC may not obtain new DS1/DS3 High Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport and/or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport in wire centers and/or routes where such circuits have been declassified during the applicable transition period.

2.5.3.6 If the CLEC does provide self-certification to dispute AT&T ILLINOIS's designation determination within 60 calendar days of the issuance of the Accessible Letter, AT&T ILLINOIS may dispute CLEC's self-certification as described in Sections 2.5.5 and 2.5.6 of this Agreement and AT&T ILLINOIS will accept and provision the applicable loop and transport orders for the CLEC providing the self certification during a dispute resolution process.

- 2.5.3.7 During the applicable transition period, the rates paid will be the rates in effect at the time of the non-impairment designations plus 15%.
- 2.5.4 If the Commission has previously determined, in any proceeding, that a wire center is properly designated as a wire center meeting the thresholds set forth pursuant to Rule 51.319(a)(4), Rule 51.319(a)(5), Rule 51.319(e)(3)(i) and Rule 51.319(e)(3)(ii), then CLEC shall not request DS1/DS3 High-Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements declassified by the non-impairment status of the wire center in such wire center. If a CLEC withdraws its self-certification after a dispute has been filed with the Commission, but before the Commission has made a determination regarding the wire center designation, the wire center designation(s) that were the subject of the dispute will be treated as though the Commission approved AT&T ILLINOIS' designations.
- 2.5.5 If it desires to do so, AT&T ILLINOIS can dispute the self-certification and associated CLEC orders for facilities pursuant to the following procedures: AT&T ILLINOIS will notify the CLEC of its intent to dispute the CLEC's self-certification within 30 days of the CLEC's self-certification or within 30 days of the effective date of this Agreement, whichever is later. AT&T ILLINOIS will file the dispute for resolution with the state Commission within 60 days of the CLEC's self-certification or within 60 days of the effective date of this Agreement, whichever is later. AT&T ILLINOIS will notify CLECs of the filing of such a dispute via Accessible Letter. If the self-certification dispute is filed with the state Commission for resolution, the Parties will not oppose requests for intervention by other CLECs if such request is related to the disputed wire center designation(s). The parties agree to urge the state Commission to adopt a case schedule resulting in the prompt resolution of the dispute. AT&T ILLINOIS' failure to file a timely challenge, i.e., within 60 days of the CLEC's self-certification or within 60 days of the effective date of this Agreement, whichever is later, to any CLEC's self certification for a given wire center shall be deemed a waiver by AT&T ILLINOIS of its rights to challenge any subsequent self certification for the affected wire center except as provided below. AT&T ILLINOIS shall promptly notify CLEC of any time where AT&T ILLINOIS has waived its ability to challenge a self-certification as to any wire center for carrier. AT&T ILLINOIS may challenge future CLEC self-certifications pertaining to the wire center if the underlying facts pertaining to the designation of non-impairment have changed, in which case the Parties will follow the provisions for updating the wire center list outlined in Section 2.5.3 of this Agreement. During the timeframe of any dispute resolution proceeding, AT&T ILLINOIS shall continue to provide the High-Capacity Loop or Transport facility in question to CLEC at the rates in the Pricing Appendix to the Agreement. If the CLEC withdraws its self-certification, or if the state Commission determines through arbitration or otherwise that CLEC was not entitled to the provisioned DS1/DS3 Loops or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport under Section 251, the rates paid by CLEC for the affected loop or transport shall be subject to true-up as follows:
- 2.5.5.1 For wire centers designated by AT&T ILLINOIS prior to March 11, 2005 and
- 2.5.5.1.1 For the affected loop/transport element(s) installed prior to March 11, 2005,
- 2.5.5.1.1.1 CLEC will provide a true-up calculated using a beginning date of March 11, 2005 based on the FCC transitional rate described in Section 2.5.3.7 of this Appendix or if applicable, Section 1.2 of the Embedded Base Rider to this Agreement between March 11, 2005 and the end of the initial TRRO transition period described in Section 2.5.1. If affected loops/transport element(s) remain in place after the end of the initial TRRO transition period, CLEC will also provide a true-up for the period after the end of initial TRRO transition period calculated using the equivalent special access rates during the period between the end of the initial transition period and the date the circuit is actually transitioned. If no equivalent special access rate exists, a true-up will be determined using the transitional rate described in Section 2.5.3.7 of this

Appendix or if applicable, Section 1.2 of the Embedded Base Rider of this Agreement. The applicable equivalent special access rate/transitional rate as described above will continue to apply until the facility has been transitioned.

- 2.5.5.1.2 For the affected loop/transport element(s) installed after March 11, 2005, CLEC will provide a true-up to an equivalent special access rate as of the later of the date billing began for the provisioned element or thirty days after AT&T ILLINOIS' notice of non-impairment. If no equivalent special access rate exists, a true-up will be determined using the transitional rate described in Section 2.5.3.7 of this Appendix or if applicable, Section 1.2 of the Embedded Base Rider of this Agreement. The applicable equivalent special access rate/transitional rate will continue to apply until the facility has been transitioned.
- 2.5.5.2 For wire centers designated by AT&T ILLINOIS after March 11, 2005,
 - 2.5.5.2.1 For affected loop/transport elements ordered before AT&T ILLINOIS' wire center designation,
 - 2.5.5.2.1.1 if the applicable transition period is within the initial *TRRO* transition period described in Section 2.5.1 of this Agreement, CLEC will provide a true-up during the period between the date that is thirty (30) days after AT&T ILLINOIS' notice of non-impairment and the date the circuit is transitioned to the transitional rate described in Section 2.5.3.7 of this Agreement.
 - 2.5.5.2.1.2 if the applicable transition period is after the initial *TRRO* transition period described in Section 2.5.1 of this Agreement has expired, CLEC will provide a true-up based on the transitional rate described in Section 2.5.3.7 of this Agreement between the date that is thirty (30) days after AT&T ILLINOIS' notice of non-impairment and the end of the applicable transition period described in Section 2.5.1 and the equivalent special access rates during the period between the end of the initial transition period and the date the circuit is actually transitioned. If no equivalent special access rate exists, a true-up will be determined using the transitional rate described in Section 2.5.3.7 of this Agreement. The applicable equivalent special access/transitional rate as described above will continue to apply until the facility has been transitioned.
- 2.5.6 In the event of a dispute following CLEC's Self-Certification, upon request by the Commission or CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS will make available, subject to the appropriate state or federal protective order, and other reasonable safeguards, all documentation and all data upon which AT&T ILLINOIS intends to rely, which will include the detailed business line information for the AT&T ILLINOIS wire center or centers that are the subject of the dispute.
- 2.5.7 The provisions of Section 2.5.1 of this Agreement shall apply to the transition of DS1/DS3 High-Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements impacted by wire center designation(s). As outlined in Section 2.5.1 of this Agreement, requested transitions of DS1/DS3 High Capacity loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements shall be performed in a manner that reasonably minimizes the disruption or degradation to CLEC's customer's service, and all applicable charges shall apply. Cross-connects provided by AT&T ILLINOIS in conjunction with such Loops and/or Transport shall be billed at applicable wholesale rates (e.g., prior to transition, cross connects will be billed at transitional rates, after transition, if conversion is to an access product, they will be charged at applicable access rates). Cross-connects that are not associated with such transitioned DS1/DS3 High-Capacity

Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements shall not be re-priced.

- 2.5.8 AT&T ILLINOIS will process CLEC orders for DS1/DS3 High Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport, or Dark Fiber Transport conversion or disconnection. AT&T ILLINOIS will not convert or disconnect these services prior to the end of the applicable transitional period unless specifically requested by the CLEC; however, CLEC is responsible for ensuring that it submits timely orders in order to complete the transition by the end of applicable transitional period in an orderly manner.
- 2.5.9 A building that is served by both an impaired wire center and a non impaired wire center and that is not located in the serving area for the non-impaired wire center will continue to have Affected Elements available from the impaired wire center and support incremental moves, adds, and changes otherwise permitted by the Agreement, as amended.
- 2.5.10 CLEC may not self-certify that it is entitled to obtain DS1/DS3 Loops or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport at a location where CLEC has met the volume cap set forth in Sections 8.3.4.4.1 and 8.3.5.4.1 (for DS1/DS3 Loops) and 13.3.5.1 and 13.3.6.1 (for DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport).
- 2.5.11 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, including any amendments to this Agreement, at the end of the Applicable Transitional Period, unless CLEC has submitted a disconnect/discontinuance LSR or ASR, as applicable, under Section 2.5.1 of this Agreement, and if CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS have failed to reach agreement under Section 2.5.8 of this Agreement as to a substitute service arrangement or element, then AT&T ILLINOIS may, at its sole option, disconnect dark fiber 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 at rates applicable to such analogous service or arrangement.
- 2.6 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide access to Lawful UNEs for the provision by CLEC of a Telecommunications Service. (Act, Section 251(c)(3)).
- 2.7 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC nondiscriminatory access to Lawful UNEs (Act, Section 251(c)(3), Act, 47 CFR § 51.307(a)):
- 2.7.1 At any technically feasible point (Act, Section 251(c)(3); 47 CFR § 51.307(a));
- 2.7.2 At the rates, terms, and conditions which are just, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory (Act, Section 251(c)(3); 47 CFR § 51.307(a));
- 2.7.3 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));
- 2.7.4 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));
- 2.7.5 With technical information regarding AT&T ILLINOIS' network facilities to enable CLEC to achieve access to Lawful UNEs (47 CFR § 51.307(e));
- 2.7.6 Except as provided in this Appendix, without imposing limitations, restrictions, or requirements on requests for, or the use of, Lawful UNEs for the service CLEC seeks to offer (47 CFR § 51.309(a));
- 2.7.7 Where applicable, terms and conditions of access to Lawful UNEs shall be no less favorable than terms and conditions under which AT&T ILLINOIS provides such elements to itself (47 CFR § 51.313(b));
- 2.7.8 Only to the extent it has been determined that these elements are required by the "necessary" and "impaired" standards of the Act (Act, Section 251(d)(2));
- 2.7.9 Except upon request of CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS shall not separate CLEC-requested Lawful UNEs that are currently combined. (47 CFR § 51.315(b)) AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS offering(s).

- 2.8 As provided for herein, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide use of that feature, function, or capability for a period of time (47 CFR § 51.309(c)).
- 2.9 AT&T ILLINOIS will maintain, repair, or replace Lawful UNEs (47 CFR § 51.309(c)) as provided for in this Agreement.
- 2.10 To the extent technically feasible, the quality of the Lawful UNE and access to such Lawful UNE shall be at least equal to what AT&T ILLINOIS provides other telecommunications carriers requesting access to the Lawful UNE (47 CFR § 51.311(a), (b)).
- 2.11 Each Party shall be solely responsible for the services it provides to its End Users and to other Telecommunications Carriers.
- 2.12 Lawful UNEs provided to CLEC under the provisions of this Appendix shall remain the property of AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 2.13 Performance of Lawful UNEs
 - 2.13.1 Each Lawful UNE will be provided in accordance with AT&T ILLINOIS Technical Publications or other written descriptions, if any, as changed from time to time by AT&T ILLINOIS at its sole discretion.
 - 2.13.2 Nothing in this Appendix shall limit either Party's ability to upgrade its network through the incorporation of new equipment, new software or otherwise or to otherwise change and/or modify its network including, without limitation, through the retirement and/or replacement of equipment, software or otherwise. Each Party agrees to comply with the Network Disclosure rules adopted by the FCC in CC Docket No. 96-98, Second Report and Order, codified at 47 C.F.R. 51.325 through 51.335, as such rules maybe amended from time to time (the "Network Disclosure Rules"). AT&T ILLINOIS will not discontinue any Lawful UNE that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to provide to CLEC under this Agreement unless and until: (i) AT&T ILLINOIS provides requisite notice of the planned network change and/or modification in accordance with the Network Disclosure Rules (when applicable) and no objection is made to AT&T ILLINOIS' proposed network modification(s) and/or change(s) or any objection(s) is denied or deemed denied under such Rules; or (ii) if and when applicable, following AT&T ILLINOIS' exercise of its rights under applicable law and/or this Agreement including, without limitation, the intervening law/change in law provisions in this Agreement; or (iii) to the extent otherwise permitted in this Agreement.
 - 2.13.3 AT&T ILLINOIS may elect to conduct upgrades or conversions for the improvement of its network or systems. During such upgrades or conversions, CLEC orders for Lawful UNEs from affected wire center(s) may be suspended for a period of a few days prior and one day after the upgrade or conversion date, consistent with the suspension AT&T ILLINOIS places on itself for orders from its End Users and other CLEC customers.
 - 2.13.4 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, minimum network protection criteria, or operating or maintenance characteristics of the facilities.
- 2.14 Conditions for Access to Lawful UNEs
 - 2.14.1 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)) as permitted by the FCC. 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 AT&T ILLINOIS immediately in writing if it

ceases to be a Telecommunications Carrier. Failure to so notify AT&T ILLINOIS shall constitute material breach of this Agreement.

2.14.1.1 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 or for other administrative purpose(s) does not constitute using a Lawful UNE pursuant to the Statutory Conditions.

2.14.1.2 By way of further example, CLEC may not access Lawful UNEs for the exclusive provision of mobile wireless services, or long distance services or interexchange services (telecommunications service between different stations in different exchange areas).

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

2.15 New Combinations Involving Lawful UNES

2.15.1 Subject to the provisions hereof and upon CLEC request, AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

2.15.1.1 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 AT&T ILLINOIS might offer pursuant to Section 271 of the Act.

2.15.2 In the event that AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide written notice to CLEC of such denial and the basis thereof. Any dispute over such denial shall be addressed using the dispute resolution procedures applicable to this Agreement. In any dispute resolution proceeding, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 2.15 of this Appendix.

2.15.3 In accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Section 2.15, including Section 2.15.3.2 and 2.15.5, the new Lawful UNE combinations, if any, 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.

2.15.3.1 The Parties acknowledge that the United States Supreme Court in Verizon Comm. Inc. relied on the distinction between an incumbent local exchange carrier such as AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS is willing to perform the actions necessary to also complete the actual physical combination for those new Lawful UNE combinations, if any, set forth in the Schedule(s) – Lawful UNE Combinations to this Appendix, subject to the following:

2.15.3.1.1 Section 2.15, including any acts taken pursuant thereto, shall not in any way prohibit, limit or otherwise affect, or act as a waiver by, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS. Without affecting the foregoing, this Agreement does not in any way prohibit, limit, or otherwise affect AT&T ILLINOIS from taking any position with respect to combinations including Lawful UNES or any issue or subject addressed or related thereto.

- 2.15.3.1.2 Upon the effective date of any regulatory, judicial, or legislative action setting forth, eliminating, or otherwise delineating or clarifying the extent of an incumbent LEC's combining obligations, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 2.15.3.1.2 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 2.15.3.1.2 shall not affect the applicability of any such provisions in situations not covered by that first sentence.
- 2.15.3.1.3 Without affecting the application of Section 2.15.3.1.2 (which shall apply in accordance with its provisions), upon notice by AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.
- 2.15.3.2 A new Lawful UNE combination, if any, 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.
- 2.15.3.3 For a new Lawful UNE combination, if any, listed on a Schedule – Lawful UNE Combinations, CLEC shall issue appropriate service requests. These requests will be processed by AT&T ILLINOIS, 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.
- 2.15.3.4 Upon notice by AT&T ILLINOIS, the Parties shall engage in good faith negotiations to amend the Agreement to include a fee(s) for any work performed by AT&T ILLINOIS in providing the new Lawful UNE combinations, if any, set forth in Schedule(s) – Lawful UNE Combinations, which work is not covered by the charges applicable per Section 2.16.3.3. For any such work done by AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Appendix Pricing. For any such work that is not so required to be done by

AT&T ILLINOIS, 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.

2.15.4 In accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Section 2.15, any request not included in Section 2.15.3 in which CLEC wants AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to complete the actual combination), shall be made by CLEC in accordance with the bona fide request (BFR) process set forth in this Agreement.

2.15.4.1 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE and the lawful network element(s) possessed by CLEC.

2.15.4.2 In addition to any other applicable charges, CLEC shall be charged a reasonable cost-based fee for any combining work done by AT&T ILLINOIS under Section 2.15.1. Such fee shall be calculated using the Time and Material charges as reflected in Appendix Pricing. AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to perform work not required by Section 2.15.1, CLEC shall be charged a market-based rate for any such work.

2.15.5 Without affecting the other provisions hereof, the Lawful UNE combining obligations referenced in this Section 2.15 apply only in situations where each of the following is met:

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

2.15.5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS' ability to retain responsibility for the management, control, and performance of its network would not be impaired;

2.15.5.3 AT&T ILLINOIS would not be placed at a disadvantage in operating its own network;

2.15.5.4 it would not undermine the ability of other Telecommunications Carriers to obtain access to Lawful UNEs or to Interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS' network; and

2.15.5.5 CLEC is

2.15.5.5.1 unable to make the combination itself; or

2.15.5.5.2 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 2.15.5.5 ceases if AT&T ILLINOIS informs CLEC of such need to combine.

2.15.6 For purposes of Section 2.15.5.5 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:

2.15.6.1 at an AT&T ILLINOIS premises where CLEC is physically collocated or has an on-site adjacent collocation arrangement;

2.15.7 Section 2.15.5.5 shall only begin to apply thirty (30) days after notice by AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC. Thereafter, AT&T ILLINOIS may invoke Section 2.15.5.5 with respect to any request for a combination involving Lawful UNEs.

2.16 Conversion of Wholesale Services to Lawful UNEs

- 2.16.1 Upon request, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, and the Lawful UNEs, or combination of Lawful UNEs, that would result from the conversion meet the eligibility criteria that may be applicable. (By way of example only, the statutory conditions would constitute one such eligibility criterion.)
- 2.16.2 Where processes for the conversion requested pursuant to this Appendix are not already in place, AT&T ILLINOIS will develop and implement processes, subject to any associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines.
- 2.16.3 Except as agreed to by the Parties or otherwise provided hereunder, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 UNE or combination of UNEs. AT&T ILLINOIS may charge applicable service order charges and record change charges.
- 2.16.4 This Section 2.16 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.
- 2.16.5 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), AT&T ILLINOIS may convert the Lawful UNE or Lawful UNE combination, or Commingled Arrangement, to the equivalent wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, upon written notice to CLEC.
- 2.16.5.1 This Section 2.16.5 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 AT&T ILLINOIS service.
- 2.16.5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS may exercise its rights provided for hereunder and those allowed by law in auditing compliance with any applicable eligibility criteria.
- 2.16.6 In requesting a conversion of an AT&T ILLINOIS service, CLEC must follow the guidelines and ordering requirements provided by AT&T ILLINOIS that are applicable to converting the particular AT&T ILLINOIS service sought to be converted.
- 2.16.7 Nothing contained in this Appendix or Agreement provides CLEC with an opportunity to supersede or dissolve existing contractual arrangements, or otherwise affects AT&T ILLINOIS' ability to enforce any tariff, contractual, or other provision(s), including those providing for early termination liability or similar charges.

2.17 Commingling

- 2.17.1 "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 AT&T ILLINOIS, or the combining of a Lawful UNE, or a combination of Lawful UNEs, with one or more such facilities or services. "Commingling" means the act of commingling.
- 2.17.1.1 "Commingled Arrangement" means the arrangement created by Commingling.
- 2.17.1.2 Neither Commingling nor a Commingled Arrangement shall include, involve, or otherwise encompass an AT&T ILLINOIS offering pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 271 that is not a Lawful UNE under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3).
- 2.17.1.3 Commingling is not permitted, nor is AT&T ILLINOIS required to perform the functions necessary to Commingling, where the Commingled Arrangement (i) is not technically

feasible, including that network reliability and security would be impaired; or (ii) would impair AT&T ILLINOIS' ability to retain responsibility for the management, control, and performance of its network; or (iii) would place AT&T ILLINOIS at a disadvantage in operating its own network; or (iv) would undermine the ability of other Telecommunications Carriers to obtain access to Lawful UNEs or to Interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS' network.

- 2.17.1.4 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will develop and implement processes, subject to any associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines.
- 2.17.1.5 Any commingling obligation is limited solely to commingling of one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from AT&T ILLINOIS with Lawful UNEs; accordingly, no other facilities, services or functionalities are subject to commingling, including but not limited to facilities, services or functionalities that AT&T ILLINOIS might offer pursuant to Section 271 of the Act.
- 2.17.2 Except as provided in Section 2 and, further, subject to the other provisions of this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS shall permit CLEC to Commingle a Lawful UNE or a combination of Lawful UNEs with facilities or services obtained at wholesale from AT&T ILLINOIS to the extent required by lawful and effective FCC rules and associated lawful and effective FCC and judicial orders.
- 2.17.3 Upon request, and subject to this Section 2, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS (as well as requests where CLEC also wants AT&T ILLINOIS to complete the actual Commingling), except that AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no obligation to perform the functions necessary to Commingle (or to complete the actual Commingling) if (i) Section 2.17.1.3 applies to the Commingled Arrangement sought by CLEC; or (ii) the CLEC is able to perform those functions itself. Where CLEC is a new entrant and is unaware that it needs to Commingle to provide a Telecommunications Service, AT&T ILLINOIS' obligation to commingle ceases if AT&T ILLINOIS informs CLEC of such need to Commingle.
- 2.17.3.1 For purposes of Section 2.17.3 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 AT&T ILLINOIS are available to CLEC, including without limitation:
- 2.17.3.1.1 at an AT&T ILLINOIS central office where CLEC is physically collocated or has an on-site adjacent collocation arrangement;
- 2.17.3.2 Section 2.17.3(ii) shall only begin to apply thirty (30) days after notice by AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC. Thereafter, AT&T ILLINOIS may invoke Section 2.17.3(ii) with respect to any request for Commingling.
- 2.17.4 In accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Section 2.17, any request by CLEC for AT&T ILLINOIS to perform the functions necessary to Commingle (as well as requests where CLEC also wants AT&T ILLINOIS to complete the actual Commingling), shall be made by CLEC in accordance with this Agreement.
- 2.17.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is developing a list of Commingled Arrangements that will be available for ordering, which list will be made available in the CLEC Handbook and posted on "CLEC Online." Once that list is included in the CLEC Handbook or posted, whichever is earlier, CLEC will be able to submit orders for any Commingled Arrangement on that list. The list may be modified, from time to time.
- 2.17.4.2 Any CLEC request for a Commingled Arrangement not found on the then-existing list of orderable Commingled Arrangements must be submitted via the bona fide request (BFR) process. 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

2.17.4.2.1 In addition to any other applicable charges, CLEC shall be charged a reasonable fee for any Commingling work done by AT&T ILLINOIS under this Section 2.17 (including performing the actual Commingling). Such fee shall be calculated using the Time and Material charges as reflected in Appendix Pricing. AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to perform work not required by this Section 2.17.4, CLEC shall be charged a market-based rate for any such work.

2.17.4.3 AT&T ILLINOIS shall charge the appropriate non-recurring rates as set forth in the pricing schedule(s) applicable to the Lawful UNEs (or Lawful UNE combinations) that are Commingled on a Lawful UNE-by-Lawful UNE basis, and for the facilities and services that are Commingled (under this Section 2) on a facility-by-facility, service-by-service basis, including without limitation for the type of service and activity being requested to create the Commingled Arrangement.

2.17.5 AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

2.17.6 Nothing in this Agreement shall impose any obligation on AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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.

2.17.7 In the event that Commingling also involves AT&T ILLINOIS performing the functions necessary to combine Lawful UNEs (e.g., make a new combination of Lawful UNEs), 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.

2.17.8 Subject to this 2.17, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.

2.17.9 Commingling in its entirety (including its definition, the ability of CLEC to Commingle, AT&T ILLINOIS' obligation to perform the functions necessary to Commingle, and Commingled Arrangements) shall not apply to or otherwise include, involve or encompass AT&T ILLINOIS offerings pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 271 that are not Lawful UNEs under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3).

2.18 Mandatory Eligibility Criteria for Access to Certain Lawful UNEs

2.18.1 Except as provided below in this Section 2.18 or elsewhere in the Agreement and subject to this Section and Section 2.16, Conversion of Wholesale Services to UNEs, of this Appendix, AT&T

ILLINOIS shall provide access to UNEs and combinations of UNEs without regard to whether the CLEC seeks access to the UNEs to establish a new circuit or to convert an existing circuit from a service to UNEs.

2.18.1.1 “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, multiplexing capabilities). An DS1 or higher EEL is required to terminate in a collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 2.18.3 of this Appendix (e.g., the end of the Unbundled Dedicated Transport that is opposite the end connected to the UNE local loop, must be accessed by CLEC at such a CLEC collocation arrangement via a cross-connect).

2.18.2 AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated, and shall not, provide access to (1) an unbundled DS1 loop in combination, or Commingled, with a dedicated DS1 transport facility or service or a dedicated DS3 or higher transport facility or service, or an unbundled DS3 loop in combination, or Commingled, with a dedicated DS3 or higher transport facility or service, or (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 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 or higher channel termination service (collectively, the “Included Arrangements”), unless CLEC certifies that all of the following conditions are met with respect to the arrangement being sought:

2.18.2.1 CLEC (directly and not via an Affiliate) has received state certification to provide local voice service in the area being served or, in the absence of a state certification requirement, has complied with registration, tariffing, filing fee, or other regulatory requirements applicable to the provision of local voice service in that area.

2.18.2.2 The following criteria are satisfied for each Included Arrangement, including without limitation each DS1 circuit, each DS3 circuit, each DS1 EEL and each DS1 equivalent circuit on a DS3 EEL:

2.18.2.2.1 Each circuit to be provided to each End User will be assigned a local telephone number (NPA-NXX-XXXX) that is associated with local service provided within an AT&T ILLINOIS local service area and within the LATA where the circuit is located (“Local Telephone Number”), prior to the provision of service over that circuit (and for each circuit, CLEC will provide the corresponding Local Telephone Number(s) as part of the required certification); and

2.18.2.2.2 Each DS1-equivalent circuit on a DS3 EEL or on any other Included Arrangement, must have its own Local Telephone Number assignment, so that each DS3 must have at least 28 Local voice Telephone Numbers assigned to it; and

2.18.2.2.3 Each circuit to be provided to each End User will have 911 or E911 capability prior to the provision of service over that circuit; and

2.18.2.2.4 Each circuit to be provided to each End User will terminate in a collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 2.18.3 of this Appendix Lawful UNE; and

2.18.2.2.5 Each circuit to be provided to each End User will be served by an interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 2.18.4 of this Appendix Lawful UNE; and

2.18.2.2.6 For each 24 DS1 EELs, or other facilities having equivalent capacity, CLEC will have at least one active DS1 local service interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 2.18.4 of this Appendix; and

2.18.2.2.7 Each circuit to be provided to each End User will be served by a switch capable of providing local voice traffic.

By way of example only, the application of the foregoing conditions means that a wholesale or retail DS1 or higher service/circuit (whether intrastate or interstate in nature or jurisdiction) comprised, in whole or in part, of a UNE local loop-Unbundled Dedicated Transport(s)-UNE local loop (with or without multiplexing) cannot qualify for at least the reason that the UNE local loop-Unbundled Dedicated Transport combination included within that service/circuit does not terminate to a collocation arrangement. Accordingly, AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to provide, and shall not provide, any UNE combination of a UNE local loop and Unbundled Dedicated Transport at DS1 or higher (whether as a UNE combination by themselves, with a network element possessed by CLEC, or pursuant to Commingling, or whether as a new arrangement or from a conversion of an existing service/circuit) that does not terminate to a collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 2.18.3 of this Appendix Lawful UNE. Section 2.18.2 shall apply in any arrangement that includes more than one of the UNES, facilities, or services set forth in that Section, including, without limitation, to any arrangement where one or more UNES, facilities, or services not set forth in Section 2.18.2 is also included or otherwise used in that arrangement (whether as part of a UNE combination, Commingled Arrangement, or otherwise), and irrespective of the placement or sequence of them.

2.18.3 A collocation arrangement meets the requirements of Section 2.18 of this Appendix Lawful UNE if it is:

2.18.3.1 Established pursuant to Section 251(c)(6) of the Act and located at AT&T ILLINOIS' premises within the same LATA as the End User's premises, when AT&T ILLINOIS is not the collocator; or

2.18.3.2 Located at a third party's premises within the same LATA as the End User's premises, when AT&T ILLINOIS is the collocator.

2.18.4 An interconnection trunk meets the requirements of Sections 2.18.2.2.5 and 2.18.2.2.6 of this Appendix Lawful UNE 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 End User premises served by the Included Arrangement.

2.18.5 For a new circuit to which Section 2.18.2 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 2.18.2.2.1 and Section 2.18.2.2.3, respectively. In such case, CLEC shall satisfy Section 2.18.2.2.1 and/or Section 2.18.2.2.3 if it assigns the required Local Telephone Number(s), and implements 911/E911 capability, within 30 days after AT&T ILLINOIS provisions such new circuit. CLEC must provide AT&T ILLINOIS with sufficient proof that such assignment and/or implementation has occurred by the end of such 30th day.

2.18.5.1 Section 2.18.5 does not apply to existing circuits to which Section 2.18.2 applies, including conversions or migrations (e.g., CLEC shall not be excused from meeting the Section 2.18.2.2.1 and Section 2.18.2.2.3 requirements for existing circuits at the time it initiates the ordering process).

2.18.6 CLEC hereby agrees that by submitting an order to AT&T ILLINOIS for an Included Arrangement (whether new, as a result of a requested conversion, or otherwise), CLEC is certifying that it meets and will continue to meet the requirements of Section 2.18 as to such Included Arrangement(s) on a circuit-by-circuit/service-by-service/Included Arrangement-by-Included Arrangement basis. Such certification-by-order shall have the same weight and effect as a separate certification. and certification-by-order shall not diminish or otherwise affect CLEC's obligation to meet and to continue to comply with the criteria or certification requirements set forth in this Section 2.18.

2.18.6.1 If the information previously provided in a certification is inaccurate (or ceases to be accurate), CLEC shall update such certification promptly with AT&T ILLINOIS.

2.18.7 In addition to any other audit rights provided for this Agreement and those allowed by law, AT&T ILLINOIS may obtain and pay for an independent auditor to audit CLEC, on an annual basis, applied

on a State-by-State basis, for compliance with this Section 2.18. For purposes of calculating and applying an “annual basis”, it means for a State a consecutive 12-month period, beginning upon AT&T ILLINOIS’ written notice that an audit will be performed for that State, subject to Section 2.18.7.4 of this Section.

2.18.7.1 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 regarding CLEC’s compliance with the qualifying service eligibility criteria.

2.18.7.2 The independent auditor’s report will conclude whether CLEC complied in all material respects with this Section 2.18.

2.18.7.3 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.

2.18.7.4 To the extent the independent auditor’s report concludes that CLEC failed to comply with this Section 2.18, CLEC must true-up any difference in payments 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), CLEC must convert the UNE or UNE combination, or Commingled Arrangement, to an equivalent or substantially similar wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, (and AT&T ILLINOIS may initiate and affect such a conversion on its own without any further consent by CLEC), and CLEC shall timely make the correct payments on a going-forward basis, and all applicable remedies for failure to make such payments shall be available to AT&T ILLINOIS. In no event shall rates set under Section 252(d)(1) of the Act apply for the use of any UNE for any period in which CLEC does not meet the conditions set forth in this Section 2.18 for that UNE, arrangement, or circuit, as the case may be. Also, the “annual basis” calculation and application shall be immediately reset, e.g., AT&T ILLINOIS shall not have to wait the remaining part of the consecutive 12-month period before it is permitted to audit again in that State.

2.18.7.4.1 To the extent that the independent auditor’s report concludes that CLEC failed to comply in all material respects with this Section 2.18, CLEC must reimburse AT&T ILLINOIS for the cost of the independent auditor and for AT&T ILLINOIS’ costs in the same manner and using the same methodology and rates that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to pay CLEC’s costs under Section 2.18.7.4.2.

2.18.7.4.2 To the extent the independent auditor’s report concludes that the CLEC complied in all material respects with this Section 2.18, AT&T ILLINOIS must reimburse CLEC for its reasonable staff time and other reasonable costs associated in responding to the audit (e.g., collecting data in response to the auditor’s inquiries, meeting for interviews, etc.).

2.18.7.5 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.

2.18.8 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 2.18 in all cases and, further, the failure of AT&T ILLINOIS to require such compliance, including if AT&T ILLINOIS provides a circuit(s), an EEL(s), or a Commingled circuit, that does not meet any eligibility criteria, including those in this Section 2.18, 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.

- 2.19 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will develop and implement processes, subject to any associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines.
- 2.20 AT&T ILLINOIS will combine Lawful UNES, combine Lawful UNE(s) with network elements possessed by CLEC, and/or Commingle only as set forth in this Appendix Lawful UNES.
- 2.21 The Parties intend that this Appendix Lawful UNES contains the sole and exclusive terms and conditions by which CLEC will obtain Lawful UNES from AT&T ILLINOIS. 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 AT&T ILLINOIS tariff, to the extent such tariff(s) is/are available, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to enforce the foregoing (including if AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS may either reject any such order submitted under tariff, or without the need for any further contact with or consent from CLEC, AT&T ILLINOIS may process any such order as being submitted under this Appendix Lawful UNES and, further, may convert any element provided under tariff, to this Appendix Lawful UNES, 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, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Access to Lawful UNE without compromising the security, integrity, and reliability of the public switched network, as well as to minimize potential service disruptions.
- 3.1.1 In the AT&T ILLINOIS premises where CLEC is Physically Collocated (e.g., in a caged, cageless or shared cage arrangement) or Virtually Collocated (see Physical and Virtual Collocation Appendices) AT&T ILLINOIS will extend AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNES via-cross connects to CLEC's Physical or Virtual Collocation Point of Termination (POT), within the same AT&T ILLINOIS premises where the Lawful UNES are located.
- 3.1.2 CLEC shall be responsible for initial testing and trouble sectionalization of facilities containing CLEC installed cross connects.
- 3.1.3 CLEC shall refer trouble sectionalized in the AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE to AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 3.1.4 Prior to AT&T ILLINOIS providing access to Lawful UNES under this Appendix, CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide each other with a point of contact for overall coordination.
- 3.1.5 CLEC shall designate each Lawful UNE being ordered from AT&T ILLINOIS. CLEC shall provide an interface to receive assignment information from AT&T ILLINOIS regarding location of the affected Lawful UNES. This interface may be manual or mechanized.
- 3.1.6 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC with contact numbers as necessary to resolve assignment conflicts encountered. All contact with AT&T ILLINOIS shall be referred to such contact numbers.
- 3.2 Any other method may be requested by the BonaFide Request Process outlined in Section 6 below.

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6. BONA FIDE REQUEST

- 6.1 Subject to Section 2, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Territory. For purposes of this Appendix, a "Business Day" means Monday through Friday, excluding Holidays observed by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 6.3 AT&T ILLINOIS, Bona Fide Request Process
- 6.3.1 A Bona Fide Request ("BFR") is the process by which CLEC may request AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, to review, analyze and process a BFR. When submitting a BFR Application Form, CLEC has two options to compensate AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, s preliminary evaluation costs, in which case AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, is not able to process the Request or determines that the Request does not qualify for BFR treatment, then AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, its reasonable and demonstrable costs of processing and/or implementing the BFR up to and including the date AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, will promptly consider and analyze each BFR it receives. Within ten (10) Business Days of its receipt AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, will provide to CLEC a preliminary analysis of such

Request (the "Preliminary Analysis"). The Preliminary Analysis will (i) indicate that AT&T ILLINOIS, will offer the Request to CLEC or (ii) advise CLEC that AT&T ILLINOIS, will not offer the Request. If AT&T ILLINOIS, indicates it will not offer the Request, AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, will offer the Request, CLEC may, at its discretion, provide written authorization for AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, all demonstrable costs as set forth above. Any request by CLEC for AT&T ILLINOIS, 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, AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS, 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.
- 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.

7. NETWORK INTERFACE DEVICE

- 7.1 Subject to Section 2 of this Appendix Lawful UNE, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 (AT&T ILLINOIS).
- 7.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will permit CLEC to connect its local loop facilities to End Users' premises wiring through AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful UNE NID, or at any other technically feasible point.

- 7.4 CLEC may connect to the End User's premises wiring through the AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS based on Time and Material charges. AT&T ILLINOIS, at the request of CLEC, will disconnect the AT&T ILLINOIS local loop from the Lawful UNE NID, at charges reflected in 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful UNE NID where necessary.
- 7.6 The AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE NIDs that CLEC uses under this Appendix will be existing Lawful UNE NIDs installed by AT&T ILLINOIS to serve its End Users.
- 7.7 CLEC shall not attach to or disconnect AT&T ILLINOIS' ground. CLEC shall not cut or disconnect AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful UNE NID, can disconnect the End User's wiring from AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful UNE NID and reconnect it to the CLEC's NID.
- 7.9 If CLEC requests a different type of Lawful UNE NID not included with the loop, AT&T ILLINOIS will consider the requested type of Lawful UNE NID to be facilitated via the Bona Fide Request (BFR) Process.

8. LAWFUL UNE LOCAL LOOP

- 8.1 Subject to Section 2 of this Appendix Lawful UNEs, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Lawful UNE Local Loop under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.
- 8.2 Pursuant to applicable FCC rules, a local loop network element is a transmission facility between a distribution frame (or its equivalent) in an AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office and the loop demarcation point at an End User premises. Therefore, consistent with the applicable FCC rules, AT&T ILLINOIS will make available the Lawful UNE Local Loops set forth herein below between a distribution frame (or its equivalent) in an AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office and the loop demarcation point at an End User premises. The Parties acknowledge and agree that AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS. 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), Lawful UNE DS1 Digital Loops (where they have not been Declassified and subject to caps set forth in Section 8.3.4.4.1) and Lawful UNE DS3 Digital Loops (where they have not been Declassified and subject to caps set forth in Section 8.3.5.4.1), where such loops are deployed and available in AT&T ILLINOIS wire centers. CLEC agrees to operate each 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 such 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 AT&T ILLINOIS via the BFR process set forth in Section 6 hereinabove and CLEC shall be required to pay AT&T ILLINOIS for any HVPE that is provisioned by

AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC in connection with the CLEC's Lawful UNE Local Loop order to the high voltage area.

- 8.3 The following types of Lawful UNE Local Loops will be provided at the rates, terms, and conditions set forth in this Appendix (AT&T ILLINOIS) and in Appendix Pricing (AT&T ILLINOIS):

8.3.1 2-Wire Analog 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 loops serviced by Integrated Digital Loop Carrier (IDLC) AT&T ILLINOIS will, where available, move the requested loop(s) to a spare, existing all-copper or universal digital loop carrier Lawful UNE loop at no additional charge to CLEC. If, however, no spare Lawful UNE loop is available, as defined above, AT&T ILLINOIS will within two (2) business days of CLEC's request, notify CLEC of the lack of available facilities.

8.3.2 4-Wire Analog 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 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 DS1 Digital Loop

8.3.4.1 A DS1 Digital Loop (DS1) is a transmission facility that will support DS1 service including Primary Rate ISDN (PRI). The DS1 Digital Loop supports usable bandwidth up to 1.544 Mbps.

8.3.4.2 DS1 Lawful UNE Digital Loops will be offered and/or provided only where such Loops have not been Declassified.

8.3.4.3 The procedures set forth in Section 8.4, below will apply in the event DS1 Digital Loops (DS1) are or have been Declassified.

8.3.4.4 DS1 Loop "Caps"

8.3.4.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provide to CLEC more than ten (10) DS1 Lawful UNE loops per requesting carrier to any single building in which DS1 Loops have not been otherwise Declassified; accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering unbundled DS1 Loops once CLEC has already obtained ten DS1 Lawful UNE Loops at the same building. If, notwithstanding this Section, CLEC submits such an order, at AT&T ILLINOIS' option it may accept the order, but convert any requested DS1 Lawful UNE Loop(s) in excess of the cap to Special Access, and applicable Special Access charges will apply to CLEC for such DS1 Loop(s) as of the date of provisioning.

8.3.5 DS3 Digital Loop

8.3.5.1 The DS3 loop provides a digital, 45 Mbps transmission facility from the AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office to the end user premises.

8.3.5.2 DS3 Lawful UNE loops will be offered and/or provided only where such Loops have not been Declassified.

8.3.5.3 The procedures set forth in Section 8.4, below will apply in the event DS3 Digital Loops are or have been Declassified.

8.3.5.4 DS3 Loop "Caps"

8.3.5.4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provide to CLEC more than one (1) DS3 Lawful UNE loop per requesting carrier to any single building in which DS3 Loops have not been otherwise Declassified; accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering unbundled DS3 Loops once CLEC has already obtained one DS3 Lawful UNE loop to the same building. If, notwithstanding this Section, CLEC submits such an order, at AT&T ILLINOIS' option it may accept the order, but convert any requested DS3 Lawful UNE Loop(s) in excess of the cap to Special Access, and applicable Special Access charges will apply to CLEC for such DS3 Loop(s) as of the date of provisioning.

8.4 Declassification Procedure

8.4.1 DS1. Subject to the cap described in Section 8.3.4.4.1, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC with access to a DS1 Lawful UNE Digital Loop, where available, to any building *not* served by a wire center with 60,000 or more business lines and four or more (4) fiber-based collocators. Once a wire center exceeds these thresholds, no future DS1 Digital Loop unbundling will be required in that wire center, or any buildings served by that wire center, and DS1 Digital Loops in that wire center, or any buildings served by that wire center, shall be Declassified and no longer available as Lawful UNES under this Agreement. Accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering DS1 Lawful UNE Digital Loops in such wire center(s), or any buildings served by such wire center(s).

8.4.2 DS3. Subject to the cap described in Section 8.3.5.4.1, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC with access to a DS3 Lawful UNE Digital Loop, where available, to any building *not* served by a wire center with at least 38,000 business lines and at least four (4) fiber-based collocators. Once a wire center exceeds these thresholds, no future DS3 Digital Loop unbundling will be required in that wire center, or any buildings served by that wire center, and DS3 Digital Loops in that wire center, or any buildings served by that wire center, shall be Declassified, and no longer available as Lawful UNES under this Agreement. Accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering DS3 Lawful UNE Digital Loops in such wire center(s), or any buildings served by such wire center(s).

8.4.3 Effect on Embedded Base. Upon Declassification of DS1 Digital Loops or DS3 Digital Loops already purchased by CLEC as Lawful UNES under this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide written notice to CLEC of such Declassification, and proceed in accordance with Section 2.5.

8.4.3.1 Products provided by AT&T ILLINOIS in conjunction with such Loops (e.g. Cross-Connects) shall also be subject to re-pricing under this Section and Section 2.5 where such Loops are Declassified.

8.4.4 The Parties agree that activity by AT&T ILLINOIS under this Section 8.4 shall not be subject to the Network Disclosure Rules.

8.5 Routine Network Modifications – Lawful UNE Local Loops

8.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS regularly undertakes for its own customers. 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 loops for its own retail customers, under the same conditions and in the same manner that AT&T ILLINOIS does for its own customers. Routine network modifications may entail activities such as accessing manholes, deploying bucket trucks to reach aerial cable and installing equipment casings. AT&T ILLINOIS will place drops in the same manner as it does for its own customers.

- 8.5.3 Routine network modifications do not include constructing new Lawful UNE Loops; installing new cable; securing permits or rights-of-way; constructing and/or placing new manholes or conduits; installing new terminals; removing or reconfiguring packetized transmission facility.. AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to perform those activities for a requesting telecommunications carrier.
- 8.5.4 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' retail customers.
- 8.5.5 AT&T ILLINOIS has no obligation to build TDM capability into new packet-based networks or into existing packet-based networks that never had TDM capability.
- 8.5.6 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, AT&T ILLINOIS' obligations with respect to routine network modifications apply only where the loop transmission facilities are subject to unbundling and do not apply to FTTH loops or FTTC loops.
- 8.5.7 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide routine network modifications at the rates, terms and conditions set out in this Appendix (AT&T ILLINOIS), and in Appendix Pricing (AT&T ILLINOIS). AT&T ILLINOIS will impose charges for Routine Network Modifications in instances where such charges are not included in any costs already recovered through existing, applicable recurring and non-recurring charges. The Parties agree that the routine network modifications for which AT&T ILLINOIS is not recovering costs in existing recurring and non-recurring charges, and for which costs will be imposed on CLEC on an ICB basis for all AT&T ILLINOIS include, but are not limited to,: (i) adding an equipment case, (ii) adding a doubler or repeater including associated line card(s), (iii) installing a repeater shelf, and any other necessary work and parts associated with a repeater shelf, and (iv) in AT&T-California only, deploying of multiplexing equipment, to the extent such equipment is not present on the loop or transport facility when ordered. The resulting ICB rates shall continue to apply to such routine network modifications unless and until the Parties negotiate specific rates based upon actual time and materials costs for such routine network modifications or specific rates are otherwise established for such routine network modifications through applicable state commission proceedings.
- 8.6 Lawful UNE DS1 and DS3 Loops may not be employed in combination with transport facilities to replace Special Access services or facilities, except consistently with the other terms and conditions of this Agreement, including but not limited to, Section 2.16 of this Appendix.
- 8.7 xDSL Subloop is as defined in the xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix, if any, and will be available to CLEC in those instances where CLEC has an approved and effective xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix as a part of this Agreement. In addition to the provisions set forth in the xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix, the xDSL Subloop is subject to the subloop terms and conditions set forth in this Section 9, 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 xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix as to the xDSL Subloop and the subloop provisions set forth in this Section 9, the subloop provisions set forth in Section 9 shall control.

9. LAWFUL UNE SUBLOOPS

- 9.1 Subject to the other terms and conditions of this Appendix, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Lawful UNE Subloops under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.
- 9.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide copper Lawful UNE Subloops as set forth in this Appendix. Other than as specifically set out elsewhere in this Agreement.

- 9.2.1 A Lawful UNE Subloop is a smaller included segment of AT&T ILLINOIS' Lawful UNE local loop plant, i.e., a portion of the Lawful UNE Loop from some technically accessible terminal beyond AT&T ILLINOIS' central office and the network demarcation point, including that portion of the Lawful UNE Loop, if any, which AT&T ILLINOIS' 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. 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 of either 2 Wire or 4 Wire facilities. Where AT&T uses 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 Lawful UNE Subloop transport in a Multi Tenant Environment (MTE), such facilities will be unbundled as part of AT&T's MTE Sub Loop offering . AT&T ILLINOIS is not required to provide Subloop Dark Fiber on an unbundled basis.
- 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.
- 9.3.8 "SAI/FDI-to-Term Lawful UNE Subloop" is that portion of the Lawful UNE Loop from the SAI/FDI to an accessible terminal.
- 9.3.9 "SAI/FDI-to-NID Lawful UNE Subloop" is that portion of the Lawful UNE 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will construct a SPOI only to those multiunit premises where AT&T ILLINOIS has distribution facilities to the premises and AT&T ILLINOIS either owns, controls, or leases the inside wire, if any, at such premises. If AT&T ILLINOIS has no facilities which it owns, controls or leases at a multiunit premises through which it serves, or can serve, End Users at such premises, it is not obligated to construct a SPOI. AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 Lawful UNE 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix and will be available to CLEC in those instances where CLEC has an approved and effective xDSL and Line Splitting Appendix as a part of this Agreement. In addition to the provisions set forth in the xDSL and Line Splitting 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 xDSL and Line Splitting 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS provides a subloop(s) that is not described or provided for in this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to refuse to provide, including if AT&T ILLINOIS 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 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:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>
1. Serving Area Interface or Feeder Distribution Interface	Terminal
2. Serving Area Interface or 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)	Terminal

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 AT&T ILLINOIS switch/testing equipment will be lost.
- 9.11.2 CLEC shall isolate trouble to the AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE Subloop portion of the CLEC's service before reporting trouble to AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 9.11.3 AT&T ILLINOIS shall charge the CLEC a Maintenance of Service Charge (MSC) when CLEC dispatches AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Appendix Pricing or tariffs.
- 9.11.4 Once all Lawful UNE Subloop access arrangements have been completed and balance of payment due AT&T ILLINOIS is received, the CLEC may place a LSR for Subloops at this location. Prices at which AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to provide CLEC with Lawful UNE Subloops are contained in 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 Collocation process as set forth in the Collocation Appendix, or will establish a Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement utilizing the Special Construction Arrangement (SCA), either of which are necessary to interconnect to the AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide to CLEC within 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 CLEC will be responsible for obtaining rights of way from owners of property where AT&T ILLINOIS has placed the equipment necessary for the SAA prior to submitting the request for 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 90 days of CLEC submitting to AT&T ILLINOIS 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. AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' interconnection point.
- 9.12.11 A non-binding CLEC forecast shall be required as a part of the request for SAA. This will allow AT&T ILLINOIS to properly engineer access to each SAI and to ensure AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS will stub out a cable from the SAI/FDI or Terminal, which AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS shall notify CLEC of pending relocation as soon as AT&T ILLINOIS receives such notice.
- 9.14.2 CLEC shall notify AT&T ILLINOIS of its intentions to remain, or not, in the SAA by way of a new Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement Application for a new SCA.
- 9.14.3 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS engineer.
- 9.14.4 CLEC shall notify AT&T ILLINOIS of acceptance or rejection of the new SCA within 10 business days of its receipt of AT&T ILLINOIS’ estimate.
- 9.14.5 Upon acceptance of the AT&T ILLINOIS estimate, CLEC shall pay at least 50% of the relocation costs at the same time as they notify AT&T ILLINOIS of their acceptance of estimate costs.
- 9.14.6 Should CLEC decide not to continue the SAA, CLEC will notify AT&T ILLINOIS as to the date that AT&T ILLINOIS may remove CLEC’s facilities from that SAA. CLEC will pay AT&T ILLINOIS for all costs associated with the removal of the CLEC’s SAA.
- 9.14.7 In the event that CLEC does not respond to AT&T ILLINOIS in time to have their facilities relocated, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS Term to NID Lawful UNE Subloop segments in order to serve its End Users at MTEs in AT&T ILLINOIS (“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 AT&T ILLINOIS within the intermediary box (in order to obtain access to AT&T ILLINOIS Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments). In the event CLEC wishes to access AT&T ILLINOIS 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. Intermediary box shall be placed no more than two feet from the AT&T terminal.
- 9.15.1.2 The intermediary box shall contain blocks that meet AT&T ILLINOIS’ published industry standards for the placement of services and facilities and should be labeled with CLEC’s ACNA to enable the AT&T ILLINOIS technician the ability to run jumper/cross connect from AT&T ILLINOIS terminal to the intermediary box.

- 9.15.1.3 LEC agrees that the AT&T ILLINOIS technician shall run the jumper/cross-connect from AT&T ILLINOIS' serving terminal to CLEC's intermediary box, in order for CLEC to access AT&T ILLINOIS Term to NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop Segments in AT&T ILLINOIS. For security and safety, AT&T will incase the cross connect in conduit, a protective covered common path, between the AT&T 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 AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 9.15.1.5 Following CLEC's provisioning, placement, and completion of Connecting Facility Arrangement Assignments ("CFA") data submission to AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS to CLEC, providing AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS by CLEC via a Local Service Request ("LSR").
- 9.15.1.7 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS terminal to the CLEC intermediary box. AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS only, CLEC may elect to lease from AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS in lieu of AT&T ILLINOIS' 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 AT&T ILLINOIS install an intermediary box pursuant to the SAA process outlined herein above, the CLEC may still lease from AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS in lieu of AT&T ILLINOIS' 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, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC with access to the Term To NID MTE Lawful UNE Subloop via a cross connect. The AT&T technician will tag appropriately and will leave up to two feet of exposed wire at AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T will incase the cross connect in conduit, a protective covered common path, between the AT&T terminal and the CLEC's terminal.

9.16.2 If CLEC elects this option to obtain access to the Term To NID Lawful UNE Subloop in an MTE Environment, neither the AT&T ILLINOIS SAA process nor the intermediary box option would be required. Because the CLEC would have full responsibility for terminating the AT&T ILLINOIS cross- connect, AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide to Engineering controlled Splice under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.

10.2 AT&T ILLINOIS will also make available an Engineering Controlled Splice (ECS), which will be owned by AT&T ILLINOIS, 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 AT&T ILLINOIS will construct any Lawful UNE Subloop Access Arrangement requested by a Telecommunications Carrier in a cost-effective and efficient manner. If AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS places more pairs at the splice.

10.3.3 Although AT&T ILLINOIS will construct the engineering controlled splice, the ECS maybe owned by AT&T ILLINOIS or the CLEC (depending on the specific arrangement) at the option of AT&T ILLINOIS.

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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 90 days before access to the copper Lawful UNE Subloop is to be provisioned by AT&T ILLINOIS. If an augment of cabling is required between the ECS and the SAI, the interval for completion of the SCA will be determined on an individual case basis. AT&T ILLINOIS 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, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS cabling between the ECS and the RT and/or SAI, and the inventorying of that AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS for the charges incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS 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:

FROM:

TO:

1. ECS	Serving Area Interface or Feeder Distribution Interface
2. ECS	Terminal
3. ECS	NID

11. RESERVED

12. RESERVED

13. DS1 AND DS3 DEDICATED TRANSPORT

13.1 Subject to Section 2 of this Appendix Lawful UNEs, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Lawful UNE DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport under the following terms and conditions in this subsection.

13.2 For purposes of this Agreement, the following definitions apply:

13.2.1 "Dedicated Transport" is defined as AT&T ILLINOIS interoffice transmission facilities between wire centers or switches owned by AT&T ILLINOIS, or between wire centers or switches owned by AT&T ILLINOIS and switches owned by requesting telecommunications carriers, dedicated to a particular customer or carrier.

13.2.1.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provide CLEC with unbundled access to Dedicated Transport that does not connect a pair of AT&T ILLINOIS wire centers.

13.2.2 A "route" is defined as a transmission path between one of AT&T ILLINOIS' wire centers or switches and another of AT&T ILLINOIS' wire centers or switches. A route between two points (e.g., wire center of switch "A" and wire center or switch "Z") may pass through one or more intermediate wire centers or switches (e.g. wire center or switch "X"). Transmission paths between identical end points (e.g., wire center or switch "A" and wire center or switch "Z") are the same "route," irrespective of whether they pass through the same intermediate wire centers or switches, if any.

13.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will be responsible for the engineering, provisioning, maintenance of the underlying equipment and facilities that are used to provide Lawful UNE DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport.

13.3.1 Subject to the caps set forth in Sections 13.3.5 and 13.3.6, Lawful UNE DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport will be provided only where such facilities exist at the time of CLEC request, and only over routes that are not or have not been Declassified.

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13.3.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide Lawful UNE DS1 and DS3 Transport to a requesting CLEC only at the following speeds: DS1 (1.544 Mbps) and DS3 (44.736 Mbps).

13.3.4 Lawful UNE DS1 and DS3 Transport includes, as follows:

13.3.4.1 Multiplexing – an option ordered in conjunction with Lawful UNE DS1 or DS3 Dedicated Transport which converts a circuit from higher to lower bandwidth, or from digital to voice grade. Multiplexing is only available when ordered at the same time as Lawful UNE DS1 or DS3 Dedicated Transport.

13.3.4.2 Other Optional features are outlined in Appendix Pricing.

13.3.5 DS3 Transport “Caps”

13.3.5.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provide to CLEC more than twelve(12) DS3 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport circuits on each route on which DS3 Dedicated Transport has not been otherwise Declassified; accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering unbundled DS3 Dedicated Transport once CLEC has already obtained twelve DS3 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport circuits on the same route. If, notwithstanding this Section, CLEC submits such an order, at AT&T ILLINOIS' option it may accept the order, but convert any requested DS3 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport in excess of the cap to Special Access, and applicable Special Access charges will apply to CLEC for such DS3 Dedicated Transport circuits as of the date of provisioning.

13.3.6 DS1 Transport “Caps”

13.3.6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provide to CLEC more than ten (10) DS1 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport circuits on each route on which DS1 Dedicated Transport has not been otherwise Declassified; accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering unbundled DS1 Dedicated Transport once CLEC has already obtained ten DS1 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport circuits on the same route. If, notwithstanding this Section, CLEC submits such an order, at AT&T ILLINOIS' option it may accept the order, but convert any requested DS1 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport in excess of the cap to Special Access, and applicable Special Access charges will apply to CLEC for such DS1 Dedicated Transport circuits as of the date of provisioning

13.4 Diversity

13.4.1 When requested by CLEC, and subject to all applicable terms, conditions, and applicable charges, and only where such interoffice facilities exist at the time of CLEC request, Physical diversity shall be provided for Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport. Physical diversity means that two circuits are provisioned in such a way that no single failure of facilities or equipment will cause a failure on both circuits.

13.4.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide the Physical separation between intra-office and inter-office transmission paths when technically and economically feasible. Physical diversity requested by the CLEC shall be subject to additional charges. When additional costs are incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS for CLEC specific diversity, AT&T ILLINOIS will advise CLEC of the applicable additional charges. AT&T ILLINOIS will not process the request for diversity until CLEC accepts such charges. Any applicable performance measures will be abated from the time diversity is requested until CLEC accepts the additional charges.

13.5 Declassification Procedure

13.5.1 Wire Center “Tiers” -- For purposes of this Section 13.5 (and Section 14 related to Dark Fiber), wire centers are classified into three “tiers,” as follows:

(i) Tier 1 Wire Centers are those ILEC wire centers that contain at least four fiber-based collocators, at least 38,000 business lines, or both. Tier 1 Wire Centers also are those ILEC tandem switching locations that have no line-side switching facilities, but nevertheless serve as

a point of traffic aggregation accessible by CLECs. Once a wire center is determined to be a Tier 1 Wire Center, that wire center is not subject to later reclassification as a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Wire Center.

- (ii) Tier 2 Wire Centers are those ILEC wire centers that are not Tier 1 Wire Centers, but contain at least 3 fiber-based collocators, at least 24,000 business lines, or both. Once a wire center is determined to be a Tier 2 Wire Center, that Wire Center is not subject to later reclassification as a Tier 3 Wire Center.
- (iii) Tier 3 Wire Centers are those ILEC wire centers that do not meet the criteria for Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers.

13.5.2 DS1 Transport Declassification

13.5.2.1 Subject to the cap described in Section 13.3.6, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC with access to Lawful UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport on routes, except routes where both wire centers defining the route are Tier 1 Wire Centers. As such AT&T ILLINOIS must provide Lawful UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport under this Agreement only if a wire center at either end of a requested route is not a Tier 1 Wire Center, or if neither is a Tier 1 Wire Center. DS1 Dedicated Transport circuits on routes between Tier 1 Wire Centers are Declassified and no longer available as Lawful UNEs under this Agreement. Accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering DS1 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport on such route(s).

13.5.3 DS3 Transport Declassification

13.5.3.1 Subject to the cap described in Section 13.3.5, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC with access to Lawful UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport, except on routes where both wire centers defining the route are either Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers. As such AT&T ILLINOIS must provide Lawful UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport under this Agreement only if a wire center on either end of the requested route is a Tier 3 Wire Center. If both wire centers defining a requested route are either Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers, then DS3 Dedicated Transport circuits on such routes are Declassified and no longer available as Lawful UNEs under this Agreement. Accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering DS3 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport on such route(s).

13.5.4 **Effect on Embedded Base.** Upon Declassification of DS1 Dedicated Transport or DS3 Dedicated Transport already purchased by CLEC as Lawful UNEs under this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide written notice to CLEC of such Declassification, and proceed in accordance with Section 2.5.

13.5.5 Products provided by AT&T ILLINOIS in conjunction with Lawful UNE DS1 or DS3 Dedicated Transport (e.g. Cross-Connects) shall also be subject to re-pricing under this Section and Section 2.5 where such Transport is Declassified.

13.6 The Parties agree that activity by AT&T ILLINOIS under this Section 13.5 shall not be subject to the Network Disclosure Rules.

13.7 Routine Network Modifications – Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport

13.7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall make routine network modifications to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport facilities used by requesting telecommunications carriers where the requested Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport facilities have already been constructed. AT&T ILLINOIS shall perform routine network modifications to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport facilities in a nondiscriminatory fashion, without regard to whether the Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport facility being accessed was constructed on behalf, or in accordance with the specifications, of any carrier.

13.7.2 A routine network modification is an activity that AT&T ILLINOIS regularly undertakes for its own customers. Routine network modifications include rearranging or splicing of cable and deploying a multiplexer or reconfiguring an existing multiplexer. Routine network modifications may entail

activities such as accessing manholes, deploying bucket trucks to reach aerial cable. Routine network modifications do not include the installation of new aerial or buried cable for a requesting telecommunications carrier, and AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to perform those activities for a requesting telecommunications carrier.

- 13.7.3 Routine network modifications do not include constructing new Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport; installing new cable; securing permits or rights-of-way; constructing and/or placing new manholes or conduits; or installing new terminals. AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to perform those activities for a requesting telecommunications carrier.
- 13.7.4 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' retail customers.
- 13.7.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, AT&T ILLINOIS' obligations with respect to routine network modifications apply only where the dedicated transport transmission facilities are subject to unbundling.
- 13.7.6 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide routine network modifications at the rates, terms and conditions set out in this Appendix (AT&T ILLINOIS), and in Appendix Pricing. AT&T ILLINOIS will impose charges for Routine Network Modifications in instances where such charges are not included in any costs already recovered through existing, applicable recurring and non-recurring charges. The Parties agree that the routine network modifications for which AT&T ILLINOIS is not recovering costs in existing recurring and non-recurring charges, and for which costs will be imposed on CLEC on an ICB basis for all AT&T ILLINOIS include, but are not limited to,: (i) splicing. . The resulting ICB rates shall continue to apply to such routine network modifications unless and until the Parties negotiate specific rates based upon actual time and materials costs for such routine network modifications through applicable state commission proceedings.

14. DARK FIBER DEDICATED TRANSPORT

- 14.1 Subject to Section 2 of this Appendix Lawful UNES, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber under the following terms and conditions in this subsection. AT&T ILLINOIS is not required to provide Loop and/or Subloop Dark Fiber on an unbundled basis.
- 14.2 In AT&T ILLINOIS, Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber is deployed, unlit optical fiber within AT&T ILLINOIS' network. Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber consists of unactivated optical interoffice transmission facilities.
- 14.3 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber
 - 14.3.1 At dedicated transport dark fiber segments in routes that have not been Declassified, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide a Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber segment that is considered "spare" as defined in Sections 14.5 and 14.6 below. Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber is defined as AT&T ILLINOIS dark fiber interoffice transmission facilities dedicated to a particular CLEC that are within AT&T ILLINOIS' network, connecting AT&T ILLINOIS switches or wire centers within a LATA. AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to provide CLEC with unbundled access to Dedicated Transport that does not connect a pair of AT&T ILLINOIS wire centers. AT&T ILLINOIS will offer Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber to CLEC when CLEC has collocation space in each AT&T ILLINOIS CO where the requested Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber(s) terminate.
- 14.4 A "route" is defined as a transmission path between one of AT&T ILLINOIS' wire centers or switches and another of AT&T ILLINOIS' wire centers or switches. A route between two points (e.g., wire center of switch "A" and wire center or switch "Z") may pass through one or more intermediate wire centers or switches (e.g. wire center or switch "X"). Transmission paths between identical end points (e.g., wire center or switch "A" and wire center or switch "Z") are the same "route," irrespective of whether they pass through the same intermediate wire centers or switches, if any.

14.5 Spare Fiber Inventory Availability and Condition

14.5.1 All available spare Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber will be provided as is. No conditioning will be offered. Spare dedicated transport dark fiber is fiber that can be spliced in all segments, point to point but not assigned, and spare dedicated transport dark fiber does not include maintenance spares, fibers set aside and documented for AT&T ILLINOIS' forecasted growth, defective fibers, or fibers subscribed to by other Telecommunications Carriers. CLEC will not obtain any more than 25% of the spare Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber contained in the requested segment during any two-year period.

14.6 Determining Spare Fibers

14.6.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will inventory dedicated transport dark fiber. Spare dedicated transport dark fiber does not include the following:

14.6.1.1 Maintenance spares. Maintenance spares shall be kept in inventory like a working fiber. Spare maintenance fibers are assigned as follows:

14.6.1.1.1 Cables with 24 fibers and less: two maintenance spare fibers

14.6.1.1.2 Cables with 36 and 48 fibers: four maintenance spare fibers

14.6.1.1.3 Cables with 72 and 96 fibers: eight maintenance spare fibers

14.6.1.1.4 Cables with 144 fibers: twelve maintenance spare fibers

14.6.1.1.5 Cables with 216 fibers: 18 maintenance spares

14.6.1.1.6 Cables with 288 fibers: 24 maintenance spares

14.6.1.1.7 Cables with 432 fibers: 36 maintenance spares

14.6.1.1.8 Cables with 864 fibers: 72 maintenance spares.

14.6.1.2 Defective fibers. Defective fibers, if any, will be deducted from the total number of spare dedicated transport dark fiber that would otherwise be available.

14.6.1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS growth fibers. Fibers documented as reserved by AT&T ILLINOIS for utilization for growth within the 12 month-period following the carrier's request.

14.6.2 The appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS engineering organization will maintain records on each fiber optic cable for which CLECs request Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber.

14.7 Quantities and Time Frames for ordering Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber

14.7.1 The minimum number of Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber strands that CLEC can order is one, and such strands must be ordered on a strand-by-strand basis. The maximum number of such strands that CLEC can order is no greater than 25% of the spare dedicated transport dark fiber in the segment requested. Should spare dedicated transport dark fiber fall below 8 strands in a given location, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide no more than a quantity of 2 strands. (See definition of spare set forth in Section 14.6 above.)

14.7.2 If CLEC wishes to request Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber, it must submit a dark fiber facility inquiry, providing CLEC's specific point to point (A to Z) dark fiber requirements. When CLEC submits a dark fiber facility inquiry appropriate rates for the inquiry will be charged as outlined in Appendix Pricing.

14.7.2.1 If spare Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber is available, as determined under this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS will notify CLEC and CLEC may place an Access Service Request (ASR) for such fiber.

14.7.3 Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber will be assigned to CLEC only when an ASR is processed. ASRs will be processed on a first-come-first-served basis. Inquiry facility checks do not serve to reserve Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber. When CLEC submits the ASR, the ASR will be processed and the Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber facilities will be assigned. The charges which will be established as set forth in Appendix Pricing will be applied.

14.8 Right of Revocation of Access to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber

- 14.8.1 Right of revocation of access to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber is distinguishable from Declassification as defined in Section 5 of this Appendix. For clarification purposes, AT&T ILLINOIS' right of revocation of access under this Section 14.9 applies even when the affected dedicated transport dark fiber remains a Lawful UNE, subject to unbundling obligations under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, in which case CLEC's rights to the affected network element may be revoked as provided in this Section 14.8.
- 14.8.2 Should CLEC not utilize the fiber strand(s) subscribed to within the 12-month period following the date AT&T ILLINOIS provided the fiber(s), AT&T ILLINOIS may revoke CLEC's access to the Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber and recover those fiber facilities and return them to AT&T ILLINOIS inventory.
- 14.8.3 AT&T ILLINOIS may reclaim from the CLEC the right to use Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber, whether or not such fiber is being utilized by CLEC, upon twelve (12) months written notice to the CLEC. If the reclaimed Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber is not otherwise Declassified during the notice period, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide an alternative facility for the CLEC with the same bandwidth the CLEC was using prior to reclaiming the facility. AT&T ILLINOIS must also demonstrate to the CLEC that the reclaimed dedicated transport dark fiber will be needed to meet AT&T ILLINOIS' bandwidth requirements within the 12 months following the revocation.

14.9 Access Methods specific to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber

- 14.9.1 The termination point for Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber at Central Offices will be in an AT&T ILLINOIS approved splitter shelf. This arrangement allows for non-intrusive testing.
- 14.9.2 At CO's, Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber terminates on a fiber distribution frame, or equivalent in the CO. CLEC access is provided via collocation.

14.10 Installation and Maintenance for Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber

- 14.10.1 AT&T ILLINOIS will install termination points and place the fiber jumpers from the fiber optic terminals to the termination point. CLEC will run its fiber jumpers from the termination point (1x2, 90-10 optical splitter) to the CLEC.

14.11 Dark Fiber Transport Declassification

- 14.11.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide CLEC with access to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber, except on routes where both wire centers defining the route are either Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers. As such AT&T ILLINOIS must provide Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber under this Agreement only if a wire center on either end of the requested route is a Tier 3 Wire Center. If both wire centers defining a requested route are either Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers, then Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber circuits on such routes are Declassified and no longer available as Lawful UNEs under this Agreement. Accordingly, CLEC may not order or otherwise obtain, and CLEC will cease ordering Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber on such route(s).
- 14.11.2 Effect on Embedded Base. Upon Declassification of Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber already purchased by CLEC as Lawful UNEs under this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS will provide written notice to CLEC of such Declassification, and proceed in accordance with Section 2.5 and at the end of the notice period under that Section, provision of the affected dedicated transport dark fiber to CLEC will be terminated without further obligation of AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 14.11.3 Products provided by AT&T ILLINOIS in conjunction with Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber, if any, shall also be subject to termination under this Section 14.11 where such fiber is Declassified.
- 14.11.4 The Parties agree that activity by AT&T ILLINOIS under this Section 14.11 shall not be subject to the Network Disclosure Rules.

14.12 Routine Network Modifications

- 14.12.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall make routine network modifications to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber used by requesting Telecommunications Carriers for the provision of Telecommunication Services where the requested Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber facilities have already been constructed. AT&T ILLINOIS shall perform routine network modifications to Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber in a nondiscriminatory fashion, without regard to whether such fiber being accessed was constructed on behalf, or in accordance with the specifications, of any Telecommunications Carrier.
- 14.12.2 A routine network modification is an activity that AT&T ILLINOIS regularly undertakes for its own customers. Routine network modifications do not include the installation of fiber for a requesting Telecommunications Carrier, nor do routine network modifications include the provision of electronics for the purpose of lighting dark fiber (i.e., optronics), and AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to perform those activities for a requesting Telecommunications Carrier.
- 14.12.3 Routine network modifications do not include constructing new Lawful UNE Dedicated Transport Dark Fiber; installing new cable; securing permits or rights-of-way; constructing and/or placing new manholes or conduits; or installing new terminals. AT&T ILLINOIS is not obligated to perform those activities for a requesting telecommunications carrier.
- 14.12.4 AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS' retail customers.
- 14.12.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, AT&T ILLINOIS' obligations with respect to routine network modifications apply only where the dark fiber transport transmission facilities are subject to unbundling.
- 14.12.6 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide routine network modifications at the rates, terms and conditions set out in this Appendix (AT&T ILLINOIS), and in Appendix Pricing. AT&T ILLINOIS will impose charges for Routine Network Modifications in instances where such charges are not included in any costs already recovered through existing, applicable recurring and non-recurring charges. The Parties agree that the routine network modifications for which AT&T ILLINOIS is not recovering costs in existing recurring and non-recurring charges, and for which costs will be imposed on CLEC on an ICB basis for all AT&T ILLINOIS include: dark fiber transport splicing. The resulting ICB rates shall continue to apply to such routine network modifications unless and until the Parties negotiate specific rates based upon actual time and materials costs for such routine network modifications or specific rates are otherwise established for such routine network modifications through applicable state commission proceedings.

15. RESERVED

16. 911 OR E911 DATABASE

- 16.1 Access to the AT&T ILLINOIS 911 or E911 call related databases will be provided as described in the Lawful 911 and E911 Appendix.

17. OPERATIONS SUPPORT SYSTEMS FUNCTIONS

- 17.1 Operations Support Systems Functions consist of pre-ordering, ordering, provisioning, maintenance and repair, and billing functions supported by AT&T ILLINOIS' databases and information. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide CLEC access to its Operations Support Systems Functions as outlined in Appendix OSS.

18. CROSS CONNECTS

- 18.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Cross Connects under this Appendix only for purposes of permitting CLEC to access AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE(s), to connect a Lawful UNE to another Lawful UNE, to Commingle (as provided for in this Agreement), or as may otherwise be used with respect to Lawful UNES in accordance

- with this Agreement. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide Cross Connects under the following terms and conditions in this subsection. AT&T ILLINOIS shall only be obligated to provide Cross Connects under this Appendix for purposes of permitting CLEC to connect AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE(s) to other Lawful UNE(s) or to CLEC's own facilities.
- 18.2 A "Cross Connect" is the media used as described in Section 18.1. This includes, for example, the media between a AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE and the point of access associated with an Interconnection Cable Arrangement to CLEC's Collocation arrangement, and the media between one AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE and another AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE where AT&T ILLINOIS has connected or left connected those Lawful UNES. Nothing in this Section 18 is a commitment to connect or leave connected any two or more Lawful UNES.
- 18.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will provide the Cross Connects at the rates, terms, and conditions set forth in applicable pricing appendix and/or pricing schedule.

19. PROVISIONING/MAINTENANCE OF LAWFUL UNES

- 19.1 Access to Lawful UNES is provided under this Agreement over such routes, technologies, and facilities as AT&T ILLINOIS may elect at its own discretion. AT&T ILLINOIS will provide access to Lawful UNES where technically feasible. Where facilities and equipment are not available, AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to provide Lawful UNES. Collocation is available from AT&T ILLINOIS for obtaining access to Lawful UNES. See collocation appendices. CLEC may request, through the Bona Fide Request (BFR) process, and, to the extent required by law, AT&T ILLINOIS may agree to provide an alternative, technically feasible method(s) of accessing Lawful UNES.
- 19.2 Subject to the terms herein, AT&T ILLINOIS is responsible only for the installation, operation and maintenance of the Lawful UNES it provides. AT&T ILLINOIS is not otherwise responsible for the Telecommunications Services provided by CLEC through the use of those Lawful UNES.
- 19.3 Where Lawful UNES provided to CLEC are dedicated to a single End User, if such Lawful UNES are for any reason disconnected they shall be made available to AT&T ILLINOIS for future provisioning needs, unless such Lawful UNE is disconnected in error. The CLEC agrees to relinquish control of any such Lawful UNE concurrent with the disconnection of a CLEC's End User's service.
- 19.4 CLEC shall make available at mutually agreeable times the Lawful UNES provided pursuant to this Appendix in order to permit AT&T ILLINOIS to test and make adjustments appropriate for maintaining the Lawful UNES in satisfactory operating condition. No credit will be allowed for any interruptions involved during such testing and adjustments.
- 19.5 CLEC's use of any AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE, or of its own equipment or facilities in conjunction with any AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNE, will not materially interfere with or impair service over any facilities of AT&T ILLINOIS, its affiliated companies or its connecting and concurring carriers involved in its services, cause damage to their plant, impair the privacy of any communications carried over their facilities or create hazards to the employees of any of them or the public. Upon reasonable written notice and opportunity to cure, AT&T ILLINOIS may discontinue or refuse service if CLEC violates this provision, provided that such termination of service will be limited to CLEC's use of the Lawful UNE(s) causing the violation.
- 19.6 When a AT&T ILLINOIS provided tariffed or resold service is replaced by CLEC's facility-based service using any AT&T ILLINOIS provided Lawful UNE(s), CLEC shall issue appropriate service requests, to both disconnect the existing service and order Lawful UNES. These requests will be processed by AT&T ILLINOIS, 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. Similarly, when an End User is served by one CLEC using AT&T ILLINOIS provided Lawful UNES is converted to a different CLEC's service which also uses any AT&T ILLINOIS provided Lawful UNE, the requesting CLEC shall issue appropriate service requests to both disconnect the existing service and connect new service to the requesting CLEC's End User. These requests will be processed by AT&T ILLINOIS and the CLEC will be charged the applicable service order charge(s), in addition to the recurring and nonrecurring charges for each individual Lawful UNE and cross connect ordered.

- 19.7 CLEC shall connect equipment and facilities that are compatible with the AT&T ILLINOIS Lawful UNEs, and shall use Lawful UNEs in accordance with the applicable regulatory standards and requirements referenced in this Agreement.
- 19.8 CLEC shall not combine or use Lawful UNEs in a manner that will undermine the ability of other Telecommunications Carriers to obtain access to lawful unbundled network elements or to Interconnect with AT&T ILLINOIS' network.
- 19.8.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall charge the CLEC a Maintenance of Service Charge (MSC) when CLEC reports a suspected failure of a Lawful UNE and AT&T ILLINOIS dispatches personnel to the End User's premises or an AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office and trouble was not caused by AT&T ILLINOIS' facilities or equipment. Time and materials will include all technicians dispatched, including technicians dispatched to other locations for purposes of testing.
- 19.9 CLEC shall pay Time and Material charges when AT&T ILLINOIS dispatches personnel and the trouble is in equipment or communications systems provided an entity by other than AT&T ILLINOIS or in detariffed CPE provided by AT&T ILLINOIS, unless covered under a separate maintenance agreement.
- 19.10 CLEC shall pay Maintenance of Service charges when the trouble clearance did not otherwise require dispatch, but dispatch was requested for repair verification or cooperative testing, and the circuit did not exceed maintenance limits.
- 19.11 If CLEC issues a trouble report allowing AT&T ILLINOIS access to End User's premises and AT&T ILLINOIS personnel are dispatched but denied access to the premises, then Time and Material charges will apply for the period of time that AT&T ILLINOIS personnel are dispatched. Subsequently, if AT&T ILLINOIS personnel are allowed access to the premises, these charges will still apply.
- 19.12 Time and Material charges apply on a first and additional basis for each half-hour or fraction thereof. If more than one technician is dispatched in conjunction with the same trouble report, the total time for all technicians dispatched will be aggregated prior to the distribution of time between the "First Half Hour or Fraction Thereof" and "Each Additional Half Hour or Fraction Thereof" rate categories. Basic Time is work-related efforts of AT&T ILLINOIS performed during normally scheduled working hours on a normally scheduled workday. Overtime is work-related efforts of AT&T ILLINOIS performed on a normally scheduled workday, but outside of normally scheduled working hours. Premium Time is work related efforts of AT&T ILLINOIS performed other than on a normally scheduled workday.
- 19.12.1 If CLEC requests or approves an AT&T ILLINOIS technician to perform services in excess of or not otherwise contemplated by the nonrecurring charges herein, CLEC will pay Time and Material charges for any additional work to perform such services, including requests for installation or other work outside of normally scheduled working hours.
- 19.13 Maintenance of Elements
- 19.13.1 If trouble occurs with Lawful UNEs provided by AT&T ILLINOIS, CLEC will first determine whether the trouble is in CLEC's own equipment and/or facilities or those of the End User. If CLEC determines the trouble is in AT&T ILLINOIS' equipment and/or facilities, CLEC will issue a trouble report to AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 19.13.2 CLEC shall pay Time and Material charges (maintenance of service charges/additional labor charges) when CLEC reports a suspected failure of a Lawful UNE and AT&T ILLINOIS dispatches personnel to the End User's premises or an AT&T ILLINOIS Central Office and trouble was not caused by AT&T ILLINOIS' facilities or equipment. Time and Material charges will include all technicians dispatched, including technicians dispatched to other locations for purposes of testing.

20. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

- 20.1 AT&T ILLINOIS provision of UNEs identified in this Agreement is subject to the provisions of the Federal Act, including but not limited to, Section 251(d). By entering into this Agreement which makes available certain UNEs, or any Amendment to this Agreement, neither Party waives, but instead expressly reserves,

all of its rights, remedies and arguments with respect to any orders, decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof and any other federal or state regulatory, legislative or judicial action(s), including but not limited each Party's right to dispute whether any UNEs identified in the Agreement must be provided under Section 251(c)(3) and Section 251(d) of the Act, and under this Agreement, including, without limitation, its intervening law rights relating to the following actions, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further government review: *Verizon v. FCC, et. al*, 535 U.S. 467 (2002); *USTA, et. al v. FCC*, 290 F.3d 415 (D.C. Cir. 2002) and following remand and appeal, *USTA v. FCC*, 359 F.3d 554 (D.C. Cir. 2004); the FCC's Triennial Review Order, CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98 and 98-147 (FCC 03-36) including, without limitation, the FCC's MDU Reconsideration Order (FCC 04-191) (rel. Aug. 9, 2004) and the FCC's Order on Reconsideration (FCC 04-248) (rel. Oct. 18, 2004), and the FCC's Biennial Review Proceeding; the FCC's Order on Remand (FCC 04-290), WC Docket No. 04-313 and CC Docket No. 01-338 (rel. Feb. 4, 2005) ("TRO Remand Order"); the FCC's Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 05-150), CC Docket Nos. 02-33, 01-337, 95-20, 98-10 and WC Docket Nos. 04-242 and 05-271 (rel. Sept. 23, 2005) ("Title I Order"); the FCC's Supplemental Order Clarification (FCC 00-183) (rel. June 2, 2000), in CC Docket 96-98; and the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order in CC Dockets No. 96-98 and 99-68, 16 FCC Rcd 9151 (2001), (rel. April 27, 2001), which was remanded in *WorldCom, Inc. v. FCC*, 288 F.3d 429 (D.C. Cir. 2002) and as to the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking as to Intercarrier Compensation, CC Docket 01-92 (Order No. 01-132) (rel. April 27, 2001) (collectively "Government Actions"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement (including without limitation, this Appendix and/or Attachment), AT&T ILLINOIS shall have no obligation to provide UNEs, combinations of UNEs, combinations of UNE(s) and CLEC's own elements or UNEs in commingled arrangements beyond those required by the Act, including the lawful and effective FCC rules and associated FCC and judicial orders. In the event that a state or federal regulatory or legislative body or a court of competent jurisdiction, in any proceeding finds, rules and/or otherwise orders that any of the UNEs and/or UNE combinations provided for under this Agreement do not meet the necessary and impair standards set forth in Section 251(d)(2) of the Act, the affected provision will be immediately invalidated, modified or stayed as required to effectuate the subject order upon the written request of either Party ("Written Notice"). With respect to any Written Notices hereunder, the Parties shall have sixty (60) days from the Written Notice to attempt to negotiate and arrive at an agreement on the appropriate conforming modifications required to the Agreement. If the Parties are unable to agree upon the conforming modifications required within sixty (60) days from the Written Notice, any disputes between the Parties concerning the interpretations of the actions required or the provisions affected by such order shall be handled under the Dispute Resolution Procedures set forth in this Agreement.

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APPENDIX WHITE PAGES (WHITE PAGES DIRECTORY)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions that shall apply to switched-based CLECs or CLECs leasing Lawful unbundled switched ports for End User Listings in White Page directories provided by the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
- 1.2 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California, The Southern New England Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Connecticut, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

2. SERVICE PROVIDED

- 2.1 AT&T ILLINOIS publishes alphabetical White Pages directories for its geographic local service areas. CLEC provides local exchange telephone service in the same area(s) and CLEC wishes to include listing information for its End Users in the appropriate AT&T ILLINOIS White Pages directories.
- 2.2 CLEC also desires distribution to its End Users of the White Pages directories that include listings of CLEC's End Users.
- 2.3 AT&T ILLINOIS will make available to CLEC, for CLEC End Users, non discriminatory access to White Pages directory listings, as described in Section 2 of this Attachment.
- 2.4 Subject to AT&T ILLINOIS' practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of White Pages directories, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS practices are subject to change from time to time. When CLEC provides its subscriber listing information to AT&T ILLINOIS listings database, CLEC will receive for its End User, one primary listing in AT&T ILLINOIS White Pages directory and a listing in AT&T ILLINOIS' directory assistance database.
 - 2.4.1 Where a CLEC End User requires foreign, enhanced or other listings in addition to the primary listing to appear in the White Pages directory, AT&T ILLINOIS will assess CLEC a monthly charge for such listings at AT&T ILLINOIS tariff rates. An additional monthly charge at AT&T ILLINOIS' tariff rate applies when CLEC wishes to list an End User in AT&T ILLINOIS' Directory Assistance database but does not wish to have its End User listed in AT&T ILLINOIS' White Pages directory. In addition, CLEC may elect to have its End User unlisted and the listing not published in AT&T ILLINOIS' White Pages directory for a monthly charge at AT&T ILLINOIS' tariff rate for those non-published, non-listed services.
- 2.5 CLEC shall furnish to AT&T ILLINOIS, in a form acceptable to both Parties, subscriber listing information pertaining to CLEC End Users located within the local directory scope, along with such additional information as AT&T ILLINOIS may require to prepare and print the alphabetical listings of said directory.
- 2.6 CLEC will provide accurate subscriber listing information of its subscribers to AT&T ILLINOIS via a mechanical or manual feed of the directory listing information to AT&T ILLINOIS' Directory Listing database. CLEC agrees to submit all listing information via a mechanized process within six (6) months of

the effective date of this Appendix, or upon CLEC reaching a volume of two hundred listing updates per day, whichever comes first. CLECs' subscriber listings will be interfiled (interspersed) in the directory among AT&T ILLINOIS' subscriber listing information. CLEC shall furnish to AT&T ILLINOIS, in a form acceptable to both Parties, subscriber listing information pertaining to CLEC End Users located within the local directory scope, along with such additional information as AT&T ILLINOIS may require to prepare and print the alphabetical listings of said directory. See CLEC Online web site for methods, procedures, and ordering information. CLEC will submit listing information within one (1) Business Day of installation, disconnection or other change in service (including change of non-listed or non-published status) affecting the Directory Assistance database or the directory listing of a CLEC End User. CLEC must submit all listing information intended for publication by the directory close date.

2.6.1 Upon CLEC request, sixty (60) calendar days prior to the directory close date for particular directory, AT&T ILLINOIS shall make available to CLEC forty-five (45) calendar days prior to directory close date for that directory, either electronically or manually, its subscriber listings as such listings are to appear in the directory. CLEC shall review this listing information and shall submit to AT&T ILLINOIS any necessary additions, deletions or modifications prior to the directory close date.

2.7 Directories

2.7.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall direct its directory publishing affiliate to offer delivery of newly published White Pages directories to CLEC's End Users pursuant to terms and conditions agreed to by the publishing affiliate and CLEC.

2.7.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to deliver a directory to a CLEC End User until new White Page directories are published for that End User's location.

2.7.3 CLEC may arrange for additional directory distribution and other services with AT&T ILLINOIS' directory publishing affiliate pursuant to terms and conditions agreed to by the publishing affiliate and CLEC.

2.8 AT&T ILLINOIS shall direct its directory publishing affiliate to offer CLEC the opportunity to include in the "Information Pages", or comparable section of its White Pages directories (covering the territory where CLEC is certified to provide local service), information provided by CLEC for CLEC's installation, repair, customer service and local sales office information and, where required by regulatory bodies, payment address. Such information shall appear in the same manner as such information appears for AT&T ILLINOIS and other LECs. AT&T ILLINOIS' directory publishing will include such CLEC information in the "Information Pages" pursuant to terms and conditions agreed to by the publishing affiliate and CLEC and will administer the charges, if any, for the inclusion of such information, which will be calculated on the same basis as the charges, if any, charged to AT&T ILLINOIS.

2.9 At its request, CLEC may purchase one (1) one-sided "Informational Page" in the informational section of the White Pages directory covering a geographic area, at the prices set forth in the attached, Exhibit 1 to this Appendix, where CLEC provides local Telecommunications Exchange Service.

3. USE OF SUBSCRIBER LISTING INFORMATION

3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to serve as the single point of contact for all independent and Third Party directory publishers who seek to include CLEC's subscriber listing information in an area directory, and to handle the CLEC's subscriber listing information in the same manner as AT&T ILLINOIS' subscriber listing information.

In exchange for AT&T ILLINOIS serving as the single point of contact and handling all subscriber listing information equally, CLEC authorizes AT&T ILLINOIS to include and use the CLEC subscriber listing information provided to AT&T ILLINOIS pursuant to this Appendix in AT&T ILLINOIS' White Pages directory, AT&T ILLINOIS' directory assistance databases, and to provide CLEC subscriber listing information to directory publishers. Included in this authorization is release of CLEC listings to requesting competing carriers as required by Section 271(c)(2)(B)(vii)(II) and Section 251(b)(3) and any applicable state regulations and orders. Also included in this authorization is AT&T ILLINOIS' use of CLEC's

subscriber listing information in AT&T ILLINOIS' directory assistance, directory assistance related products and services, and directory publishing products and services.

- 3.2 AT&T ILLINOIS further agrees not to charge CLEC for serving as the single point of contact with independent and Third Party directory publishers, no matter what number or type of requests are fielded. In exchange for the handling of CLEC Name's subscriber list information to directory publishers, CLEC agrees that it will receive no compensation for AT&T ILLINOIS' receipt of the subscriber list information or for the subsequent release of this information to directory publishers. Such CLEC subscriber list information shall be intermingled with AT&T ILLINOIS' subscriber list information and the subscriber list information of other companies that have authorized a similar release of their subscriber list information by AT&T ILLINOIS.

4. PRICING

- 4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS - The rates, if any, for AT&T ILLINOIS White Page directories will be in accordance with a separate directory services agreement with AT&T ILLINOIS' directory publishing affiliate.

5. LIABILITY

- 5.1 CLEC hereby releases AT&T ILLINOIS from any and all liability for damages due to errors or omissions in CLEC's subscriber listing information as provided to AT&T ILLINOIS under this Appendix, and/or CLEC's subscriber listing information as it appears in the White Pages directory, including, but not limited to, special, indirect, consequential, punitive or incidental damages.
- 5.2 CLEC shall indemnify, protect, save harmless and defend AT&T ILLINOIS (and/or AT&T ILLINOIS' officers, employees, agents, assigns and representatives) 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 subscriber listing information, including any error or omission related to non-published or non-listed subscriber listing information. CLEC shall so indemnify regardless of whether the demand, claim or suit by the Third Party is brought jointly against CLEC and AT&T ILLINOIS, and/or against AT&T ILLINOIS alone. However, if such demand, claim or suit specifically alleges that an error or omission appears in CLEC's subscriber listing information in the White Pages directory, AT&T ILLINOIS 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 AT&T ILLINOIS for reasonable attorney's fees and other expenses incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS in handling and defending such demand, claim and/or suit.
- 5.3 CLEC further agrees to pay all costs incurred by AT&T ILLINOIS and/or its affiliates as a result of CLEC not complying with the terms of this Appendix.
- 5.4 This Appendix shall not establish, be interpreted as establishing, or be used by either Party to establish or to represent their relationship as any form of agency, partnership or joint venture. Neither Party shall have any authority to bind the other nor to act as an agent for the other unless written authority, separate from this Appendix, is provided. Nothing in the Appendix shall be construed as providing for the sharing of profits or losses arising out of the efforts of either or both of the Parties. Nothing herein shall be construed as making either Party responsible or liable for the obligations and undertakings of the other Party.

6. BREACH OF CONTRACT

- 6.1 If either Party is found to have materially breached this Appendix, the non-breaching Party may terminate the Appendix by providing written notice to the breaching Party, whereupon this Appendix shall be null and void with respect to any issue of AT&T ILLINOIS' White Pages directory published sixty (60) or more calendar days after the date of receipt of such written notice.

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APPENDIX CLEARINGHOUSE (CH)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the rates, terms, and conditions, which are made available for CLECs by AT&T-12STATE to participate in the Clearinghouse (CH).
- 1.2 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.3 AT&T-10STATE - As used herein, AT&T-10STATE means AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.4 AT&T-12STATE - As used herein, AT&T-12STATE means AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE and AT&T-2STATE the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.5 AT&T-13STATE - As used herein, AT&T-13STATE means AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, AT&T-2STATE and AT&T CONNECTICUT the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.6 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.7 AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE - As used herein, AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana, Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio, and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.
- 1.8 In AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE, the exchange of certain alternately billed intrastate intraLATA message toll call records and the reporting of appropriate settlement revenues owed by and among participating LECs, CLECs, and AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE is facilitated via the existing LEC Settlement process in each state.

2. CLEARINGHOUSE DESCRIPTION

- 2.1 AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE operates a CH for the purpose of facilitating the exchange of certain alternatively billed intrastate intraLATA message toll call records and the reporting of settlement revenues owed by and among participating LECs and CLECs, including AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and CLEC.

3. QUALIFYING MESSAGE CRITERIA

- 3.1 The only toll call messages that qualify for submission to AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE for CH processing are: (a) intrastate intraLATA sent collect (including calling card, collect and third number) messages which are originated in one LEC or CLEC exchange, exclusively carried by a LEC or CLEC over LEC or CLEC facilities and billed to a customer located in a second LEC's or CLEC exchange within the same state; or (b) intrastate intraLATA sent collect (but limited to calling card and third number) messages originated in one of AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE's operating areas (located in parts of Texas, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri or Oklahoma), exclusively carried by a LEC or CLEC over LEC or CLEC facilities, and billed to a customer located in a second LEC's or CLEC exchange and not in the originating State.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 4.1 CLEC agrees that it will provide AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE with billing records for CH processing that are in an industry standard format acceptable to AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE and at a minimum will display the telephone number of the end user to whom the call is to be billed, and data about the call sufficient for a carrier to comply with all applicable state regulatory requirements. For purposes of this Attachment, these records ("CH Records") will detail intraLATA toll calls which were originated by use of the single digit access code (i.e., 0+ and 0-) in one LEC or CLEC exchange but are to be billed to an end user in a second LEC's or CLEC exchange. Such records are referred to as category ninety-two (92) records for CH processing purposes. The term "CH Record" will mean the call detail attributed to a single completed toll message.
- 4.2 CLEC agrees that all CH Records it generates will display indicators denoting whether category ninety-two (92) Records should be forwarded to AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE's CH. CLEC will retain its originating records for ninety (90) days such that the category ninety-two (92) Records can be retransmitted to AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE for CH processing, if needed.
- 4.3 AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will provide and maintain such systems as it believes are required to furnish the CH service described herein. AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, in its capacity as operator of the CH, agrees to retain all CH Records processed through the CH for two (2) years.
- 4.4 CLEC will timely furnish to AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE all CH Records required by AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE to provide the CH service in accordance with the Technical Exhibit Settlement Procedures (TESP) dated DD/MM/YEAR, or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by the Parties. AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will provide the CH service in accordance with the TESP, and such modifications as are subsequently agreed upon.
- 4.5 Presently, in operating the CH, AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE relies upon NXX codes to identify messages for transmission to participating billing companies. To the extent any subprocesses are required to settle CH messages due to the use of ported numbers, such subprocessing will be the responsibility of the porting entity.

5. PROCESSING CHARGE

- 5.1 CLEC agrees to pay AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE a processing charge in consideration of AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE's performance of CH services. This charge is located in Appendix Pricing under "Other" listed as CH Processing Charge.

6. BILLING CHARGE

- 6.1 CLEC agrees to pay a per message charge to the CLEC responsible for billing the message, including AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE, when AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE bills the message. This charge is located in Appendix Pricing under "Other" listed as Billing Charge.

7. SETTLEMENT REPORT

- 7.1 AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will issue monthly reports containing the results of the processing of CH Records to each participating LEC and CLEC. These reports list the: (a) amounts owed by CLEC for billing messages originated by others; (b) amounts due to CLEC for CLEC originated messages billed by others; (c) applicable billing charges; and (d) processing charges.

8. RETROACTIVE AND LOST MESSAGES

- 8.1 The Parties agree that processing of retroactive messages through the CH is acceptable, if such messages utilize the industry standard format for call records, pursuant to Section III of this Attachment. The Parties agree that lost messages are the complete responsibility of the originating LEC or CLEC. If messages are lost by any Party, and cannot be recreated or retransmitted, the originating LEC or CLEC will estimate messages, minutes, and associated revenues based on the best available data. No estimate will be made

for messages, which are more than two years old at the time the estimate is made. The estimates will be off-line calculations (i.e., not part of the routine CH processing) and will be included as a supplement to the monthly settlement report.

9. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 9.1 By agreeing to operate the CH, AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE assumes no liability for any LEC's or CLEC's receipt of appropriate revenues due to it from any other entity. CLEC agrees that AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will not be liable to it for damages (including, but not limited to, lost profits and exemplary damages) which may be owed to it as a result of any inaccurate or insufficient information resulting from any entity's actions, omissions, mistakes, or negligence and upon which AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE may have relied in preparing settlement reports or performing any other act under this Attachment.
- 9.2 CLEC agrees to indemnify and hold AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE harmless against and with respect to any and all third party claims, demands, liabilities or court actions arising from any of its actions, omissions, mistakes or negligence occurring during the course of AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE's performance of CH processing pursuant to this Attachment.
- 9.3 AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE will not be liable for any losses or damages arising out of errors, interruptions, defects, failures, or malfunction of the CH services provided pursuant to this Attachment, including those arising from associated equipment and data processing systems, except such losses or damages caused by the sole negligence of AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE. Any losses or damage for which AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE is held liable under this Attachment will in no event exceed the amount of processing charges incurred by CLEC for the CH services provided hereunder during the period beginning at the time AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE receives notice of the error, interruption, defect, failure or malfunction, to the time service is restored.

10. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES

- 10.1 AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE 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, AT&T SOUTHWEST REGION 5-STATE assumes no responsibility with regard to the correctness of the data supplied by CLEC when this data is accessed and used by a third party.

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APPENDIX NON-INTERCOMPANY SETTLEMENT (NICS)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions under which AT&T ILLINOIS will perform the revenue settlement of intrastate/intraLATA local/toll alternately billed calls between AT&T ILLINOIS and the CLEC via the Centralized Message Distribution System (CMDS) NICS reports.
- 1.2 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "Centralized Message Distribution System" (CMDS) – means the industry-wide data collection system located in St. Louis, Missouri which handles the daily exchange of toll message details between LECs that are Direct Participants of the systems.
- 2.2 "Direct Participants" (DP) -- the 24 pre-divestiture Bell Operating Companies that interface directly with CMDS. Following is a list of the Direct Participants:
 - 2.2.1 New England Telephone Company
 - 2.2.2 New York Telephone Company
 - 2.2.3 Bell Atlantic, NJ
 - 2.2.4 Bell Atlantic, PA
 - 2.2.5 Bell Atlantic, DE
 - 2.2.6 Bell Atlantic, DC
 - 2.2.7 Bell Atlantic, MD
 - 2.2.8 Bell Atlantic, VA
 - 2.2.9 Bell Atlantic, WV
 - 2.2.10 Southern Bell Telephone Company
 - 2.2.11 South Central Bell Telephone Company
 - 2.2.12 The Ohio bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio
 - 2.2.13 Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan
 - 2.2.14 Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated d/b/a AT&T Indiana
 - 2.2.15 Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois
 - 2.2.16 Wisconsin Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin
 - 2.2.17 Northwestern Bell Telephone Company
 - 2.2.18 Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, AT&T Kansas, AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma and/or AT&T Texas
 - 2.2.19 Mountain Bell Telephone Company
 - 2.2.20 Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T California
 - 2.2.21 Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada
 - 2.2.22 The Southern New England Telephone Company
 - 2.2.23 Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company
- 2.3 "Exchange Message Interface" (EMI) -the format used for the exchange of telecommunications message information. EMI format is contained in the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) document that defines industry guidelines for exchange message records.
- 2.4 "Local Exchange Carriers" (LECs) or "Exchange Carriers" (ECs) - facilities-based providers of local telecommunication services.

- 2.5 "Non-Intercompany Settlement" (NICS) is a revenue exchange process for messages which originate from CLEC and bill to AT&T ILLINOIS and message which originate from AT&T ILLINOIS and bill to CLEC. NICS messages must originate and bill within the same AT&T ILLINOIS Company.

3. NON-INTERCOMPANY SETTLEMENT (NICS) DESCRIPTION

- 3.1 Non-Intercompany Settlement (NICS) shall apply only to alternately billed messages (calling card, third number billed and collect calls) originated by AT&T ILLINOIS and billed by the CLEC [when the CLEC is using its own end office switch], or messages for calls originated by the CLEC and billed by AT&T ILLINOIS within the same AT&T ILLINOIS State (i.e., messages for intrastate/intraLATA traffic only). For example, an alternately billed call originating within AT&T ILLINOIS territory and billed to a CLEC within AT&T ILLINOIS would be covered by this section; a call originating within AT&T ILLINOIS but billing outside of AT&T ILLINOIS would not be NICS.
- 3.2 NICS does not extend to 900 or 976 calls or to other pay per call services.
- 3.3 The Telcordia Technologies NICS report is the source for revenue to be settled between AT&T ILLINOIS and CLEC. NICS settlement will be incorporated into the CLEC's monthly invoice.
- 3.4 This agreement does not cover calls originating and billing within a state outside of AT&T ILLINOIS. For such traffic, CLEC should obtain NICS-type agreements with the LECs in that state.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

- 4.1 Each Party is responsible for submitting the appropriate EMI billable record (as defined in the Telcordia Technologies NICS System Specifications document) to Telcordia CMDS for inclusion in the NICS report when an alternately billed call originates from its end user.

5. BASIS OF COMPENSATION

- 5.1 CLEC agrees to pay a \$.05 per message charge to AT&T ILLINOIS for all qualifying messages billed by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 5.2 AT&T ILLINOIS agrees to pay the same \$.05 a per message charge to CLEC for all qualifying messages billed by CLEC.
- 5.3 Net payment shall be due within thirty (30) days of the date of the invoice. Net payment is the amount due to AT&T ILLINOIS or CLEC based on netting the amount due AT&T ILLINOIS and the amount due CLEC from the Telcordia Technologies NICS report. A late payment charge of one and one half percent (1 1/2%) per month, or the highest amount allowed by law, whichever is greater, shall apply to past due amounts.

6. TERM OF AGREEMENT

- 6.1 Unless sooner terminated as herein provided, this Agreement will continue in force for a period of one (1) year from the effective date hereof and thereafter until terminated by sixty (60) days prior notice in writing from either party to the other. Provided however, this Attachment shall not continue in force and effect beyond the term of the ICA as specified in the General Terms and Conditions.

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APPENDIX PRICING (ILLINOIS)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth the pricing terms and conditions only for the applicable AT&T Inc. (AT&T) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) identified in 1.3 below. The rate table included in this Appendix is divided into the following five categories: Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs), Resale, Other (Resale), Other and Reciprocal Compensation. These categories are for convenience only and shall not be construed to define or limit any of the terms herein or affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement, including but not limited to the term "Lawful UNE," as that term is defined and used in this Agreement.
- 1.2 "AT&T Inc." (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.3 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.4 Replacement of Non-Interim Rates

Certain of the non-interim rates, prices and charges set forth in this Agreement may have been established by the Commission ("Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s)"). All rates included in this Agreement that are not specifically excluded from treatment under this Section 1.4, or that are not marked as interim or as "TBD" (To Be Determined) shall be considered Commission-established Non-Interim Rates. If, during the Term of this Agreement the Commission or the FCC modifies a Commission-established Rate(s) in an order or docket that is established by the Commission or FCC to be generally applicable to the Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, functions, facilities, Resale discounts, or products or services ("Products or Services") available under this Agreement (i.e. *not* an order or docket relating only to a specific complaint or interconnection agreement arbitration), either Party may provide written notice ("Rate Change Notice") to the other Party, *after the effective date of such order*, that it wishes for the modified Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s), ("Modified Rate(s)") to replace and supersede the Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s) already set forth in this Agreement. Following such Rate Change Notice by either Party, and without the need for any formal amendment or further Commission action, the CLEC's billing tables will be updated to reflect (and CLEC will be charged) the Modified Rate(s), pursuant to timeframes as specifically set forth in Sections 1.4.1 and 1.4.3, below, and the Modified Rate(s) will be deemed effective between the Parties as provided in Sections 1.4.1 and 1.4.3, below. Nonetheless, the Parties shall negotiate a conforming amendment which shall reflect that the Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s) were replaced by the Modified Rate(s), and shall submit such Amendment to the state commission for approval. In addition, as soon as is reasonably practicable after such Rate Change Notice, each Party shall issue to the other Party any adjustments that are necessary to reflect that the Modified Rate(s) became effective between the Parties as provided below:

- 1.4.1 If the Rate Change Notice is issued by a Party within ninety (90) days after the effective date of any such order, the Modified Rate(s) will be deemed effective between the Parties as of the effective date of the order, and AT&T ILLINOIS will issue any adjustments that are appropriate (e.g., billing of additional charges, billing credit adjustments) to retroactively true-up the Modified Rate(s) with the Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s) for the period after the effective date of the order, in accordance herewith.
- 1.4.2 In the event that neither Party issues a Rate Change Notice to the other Party with respect to an order, the Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s) set forth in the Agreement shall continue to apply, notwithstanding the issuance of that order.
- 1.4.3 In the event that a Party issues a Rate Change Notice under this Section 1.4, but not within ninety (90) days after the effective date of the order, then the Modified Rate(s) will be deemed effective between the Parties as of the date the amendment incorporating such Modified Rate(s) into the

Agreement is effective between the Parties (following the date the amendment is approved or is deemed to have been approved by the state commission), and shall apply, upon the amendment effective date, on a prospective basis only. Further, the Party shall be foreclosed from replacing or otherwise superseding the Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s) with the Modified Rate(s) for any period prior to the effective date of such amendment.

- 1.4.4 In the event the terms and conditions of this Section 1.4 was not part of an approved and effective agreement between the Parties at the time the order became effective, either Party may still give a Rate Change Notice, and the Modified Rate(s) shall be effective as of the date the Parties' Agreement (the Agreement containing this Section 1.4) becomes effective (following the date the Agreement is approved or deemed to have been approved by the Commission) and shall apply, beginning on the Agreement's effective date, on a prospective basis only. Further, the Party shall be foreclosed from replacing or otherwise superseding the Commission-established Non-Interim Rate(s) with the Modified Rate(s) for any period prior to the effective date of the Agreement containing this Section 1.4.
- 1.5 The Parties understand and agree that on May 9, 2003, the Public Utilities Act of Illinois was amended to add Sections 13-408 and 13-409, 220 ILCS 5/13-408 and 13-409, and enacted into law ("Illinois Law"). The Illinois Law establishes a specific method for setting certain UNE rates in Illinois, mandates that the Illinois Commerce Commission ("ICC") apply the method and determine the rates ("ICC Rates"), and expressly deems all interconnection agreements to be amended to contain the ICC Rates immediately upon the ICC's announcement of such adjusted rates, without further action. The Parties understand and agree that the rates in the attached Pricing Schedule are based upon AT&T Illinois' obligations under FCC rules and regulations, and applicable ICC orders as they existed prior to the ICC's promulgation of rates, terms and conditions pursuant to the Illinois Law. The Parties understand and agree that the ICC Rates shall automatically apply to this Agreement, and shall replace and supersede any corresponding rates currently contained in this Agreement (for the state of Illinois only) as of the effective date of any such ICC order(s) upon the written request of either Party ("Written Notice"). As soon as practical following the Written Notice, AT&T Illinois shall begin billing CLEC the ICC Rates; provided, however, the Parties acknowledge and agree that no later than sixty (60) days from the Written Notice, the Parties will execute a conforming Amendment to this Agreement so that the Agreement accurately reflects the ICC Rates, and AT&T Illinois will issue any adjustments, as needed (e.g., billing of additional charges, billing credit adjustments), to reflect that the ICC Rates became effective between the Parties as of the effective date of the applicable ICC order(s) and to retroactively true-up the ICC Rates with the corresponding rates currently contained in this Agreement (for the state of Illinois only) for the period after the effective date of the applicable ICC order(s), in accordance herewith.
- 1.6 Replacement of Interim Rates
- Certain of the rates, prices and charges set forth in this Agreement may be denoted as interim rates ("Current Interim Rates"). Upon the effective date of a Commission Order establishing non-interim rates for any rates, prices, charges, Products or Services specifically identified herein as interim, either Party may, within ninety (90) days *after the effective date of such Commission order*, provide written notice ("Replacement Rate Notice") to the other Party that it wishes to obtain the non-interim Commission-established rate(s) ("Replacement Rates") to replace and supersede the Current Interim Rate counterpart(s) in this Agreement. Following such Replacement Rate Notice, and without the need for any formal amendment or further Commission action, AT&T ILLINOIS will update CLEC's billing tables to replace the Current Interim Rates with their Replacement Rate(s) counterpart(s), as specified in the Replacement Rate Notice. Nonetheless, the Parties shall negotiate a conforming amendment to reflect such Replacement Rates and shall submit such amendment to the Commission for approval.
- 1.6.1 If the Replacement Rate Notice is given within 90 days after the effective date of such order, then the Replacement Rate(s) shall apply as of the effective date of the order and AT&T ILLINOIS will issue any adjustments that are appropriate (e.g., billing of additional charges, billing credit

adjustments) to retroactively true-up the Replacement Rates with the Current Interim Rates for the period after the effective date of this Agreement, in accordance herewith.

- 1.6.2 In the event that neither Party issues a Rate Notice to the other Party with respect to an order, the Current Interim Rate(s) set forth in the Agreement shall continue to apply, notwithstanding the issuance of that order.
- 1.6.3 In the event that a Party issues a Rate Notice under this Section 1.6, but not within ninety (90) days after the effective date of the order, then the Replacement Rate(s) will be deemed effective between the Parties as of the date the amendment incorporating such Replacement Rate(s) into the Agreement is effective between the Parties (following the date the amendment is approved or is deemed to have been approved by the Commission), and shall apply, upon the amendment effective date, on a prospective basis only. Further, the Party shall be foreclosed from replacing or otherwise superseding the Current Interim Rate(s) with the Replacement Rate(s) for any period prior to the effective date of such amendment.
- 1.6.4 In the event the terms and conditions of this Section 1.6 was not part of an approved and effective agreement between the Parties at the time the order became effective, either Party may still give a Replacement Rate Notice, and the Replacement Rate(s) shall be effective as of the date the Parties' Agreement (the Agreement containing this Section 1.6) becomes effective (following the date the Agreement is approved or deemed to have been approved by the Commission) and shall apply, beginning on the Agreement's effective date, on a prospective basis only. Further, the Party shall be foreclosed from replacing or otherwise superseding the Current Interim Rate(s) with the Replacement Rate(s) for any period prior to the effective date of the Agreement containing this Section 1.6.
- 1.7 Notice to Adopting CLECs
- 1.7.1 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Appendix and Agreement, in the event that any other telecommunications carrier should adopt provisions in the Agreement pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act ("Adopting CLEC"), the Adopting CLEC would only be entitled to the non-interim and/or interim rates set forth in this Agreement as of the date that the MFN'd Agreement provisions become effective between AT&T ILLINOIS and the Adopting CLEC (i.e., following the date the Commission approves or is deemed to have approved the Adopting CLEC's Section 252(i) adoption ("MFN Effective Date")) and on a prospective basis only. Nothing in this Agreement shall entitle an Adopting CLEC to any retroactive application of any rates under this Agreement to any date prior to the MFN Effective Date and any Adopting CLEC is foreclosed from making any such claim hereunder.
- 1.8 The following defines the zones found in this Appendix Pricing:]
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| For Loops: | |
| <u>Access Area:</u> | <u>Total Access Lines:</u> |
| A | See: Tariff 20 Part 4 Section 2, Sheets 5-36.8 |
| B | See: Tariff 20 Part 4 Section 2, Sheets 5-36.8 |
| C | See: Tariff 20 Part 4 Section 2, Sheets 5-36.8 |
- 1.9 AT&T ILLINOIS' obligation to provide Interconnection, Lawful Unbundled Network Elements, Collocation, Resale discounts, functions, facilities, products or services ("Products or Services") under this Agreement does not extend to Products or Services for which rates, terms and conditions are not contained in this Agreement. Accordingly, to the extent a CLEC orders a Product or Service for which there are not rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement, AT&T ILLINOIS may reject the order. In the event such an order is rejected, and the Product or Service is appropriate for BFR treatment under the BFR provisions set forth in Appendix Lawful UNEs of this Agreement, the CLEC may submit a BFR, which will be evaluated pursuant to such BFR provisions. Alternatively, if the Product or Service is available in a state commission approved Agreement in the state in which the CLEC is seeking to order the Product or Service, the CLEC may: (i) seek to adopt pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act the rates, terms and conditions for such Product

or Service (including any legitimately related terms) from a state commission approved Agreement in that state in which such Product or Service is available; or (ii) seek to amend this Agreement to incorporate rates, terms and conditions for the Product or Service into this Agreement, to the extent such Product or Service is still available at the time of the request. In the event that CLEC orders, and AT&T ILLINOIS provisions, a Product or Service to CLEC for which there are not rates, terms and conditions in this Agreement, then CLEC understands and agrees that one of the following will occur:

- 1.9.1 CLEC shall pay for the Product or Service provisioned to CLEC at the rates set forth in AT&T ILLINOIS' applicable intrastate tariff(s) for the Product or Service or, to the extent there are no tariff rates, terms or conditions available for the Product or Service in the applicable state, then CLEC shall pay for the Product or Service at AT&T ILLINOIS' current generic contract rate for the Product or Service set forth in AT&T ILLINOIS' applicable state-specific generic pricing schedule as published on AT&T ILLINOIS' CLEC website; or
- 1.9.2 CLEC will be billed and shall pay for the product or service as provided in Section 1.9.1, above, and AT&T ILLINOIS may, without further obligation, reject future orders and further provisioning of the product or service until such time as applicable rates, terms and conditions are incorporated into this Agreement as set forth in this Section 1.9.
- 1.9.3 AT&T ILLINOIS' provisioning of orders for such Products or Services is expressly subject to this Section 1.9 and in no way constitutes a waiver of AT&T ILLINOIS' right to charge and collect payment for such Products and/or Services.

1.10 Establishment of "TBD" Rates

- 1.10.1 When a rate, price or charge in this Agreement is noted as "To Be Determined" or "TBD" or is blank, the Parties understand and agree that when a rate, price or charge is established by AT&T ILLINOIS for that Product or Service and incorporated into AT&T ILLINOIS' current state-specific generic pricing schedule as published on AT&T ILLINOIS' CLEC website, that rate(s) ("Established Rate") shall automatically apply to the Product or Service provided under this Agreement back to the effective date of this Agreement as to any orders CLEC submitted and AT&T ILLINOIS provisioned for that Product or Service without the need for any additional modification(s) to this Agreement or further Commission action. AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide written notice to CLEC of the application of the rate, price or charge that has been established, and the CLEC's billing tables will be updated to reflect (and CLEC will be charged) the Established Rate, and the Established Rate will be deemed effective between the Parties as of the effective date of the Agreement. The Parties shall negotiate a conforming amendment which shall reflect the Established Rate to ensure that the Agreement accurately reflects the specific Established Rate(s) that apply to such Product or Service pursuant to this Section 1.10, and shall submit such Amendment to the state commission for approval. In addition, as soon as is reasonably practicable after such Established Rate begins to apply, AT&T ILLINOIS shall bill CLEC to reflect the application of the Established Rate retroactively to the effective date of the Agreement between the Parties.
- 1.10.2 AT&T ILLINOIS' provisioning of such orders for such Products or Services is expressly subject to this Section 1.10 and in no way constitutes a waiver of AT&T ILLINOIS' right to charge and collect payment for such Products and/or Services.

2. RECURRING CHARGES

- 2.1 Unless otherwise identified in the Pricing Tables, where rates are shown as monthly, a month will be defined as a 30-day calendar month. The minimum term for each monthly rated Unbundled Network Element (UNE), Resale, Other (Resale), Other and Reciprocal Compensation elements will be one (1) month. After the initial month, billing will be on the basis of whole or fractional months used. The minimum term for non-monthly rated UNEs, if applicable, will be specified in the rate table included in this Appendix. A longer minimum service period may apply for Lawful UNEs provided under the BFR process, as set forth in the Lawful UNEs Appendix of this Agreement.

- 2.2 For purposes of reciprocal compensation only, measurement of minutes of use over Local Interconnection Trunk Groups shall be in actual conversation seconds. The total conversation seconds over each individual Local Interconnection Trunk Group will be totaled for the entire monthly bill and then rounded to the next whole minute.
- 2.3 Where rates are distance sensitive, the mileage will be calculated on the airline distance involved between the locations. To determine the rate to be billed AT&T ILLINOIS will first compute the mileage using the V&H coordinates method, as set forth in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff FCC No 4. When the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, AT&T ILLINOIS will round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage and applying rates.

3. NON-RECURRING CHARGES

- 3.1 Where rates consist of usage sensitive charges or per occurrence charges, such rates are classified as "non-recurring charges".
- 3.2 Nonrecurring Charges may be applicable for all five (5) categories of rates.
- 3.3 Consistent with FCC Rule 51.307(d), there may be non-recurring charges for each Lawful UNE.
- 3.4 For Resale, when a CLEC converts an End User currently receiving non-complex service from the AT&T ILLINOIS network, without any changes to AT&T ILLINOIS' network, the normal service order charges and/or nonrecurring charges associated with said additions and/or changes will apply.
- 3.5 CLEC shall pay a non-recurring charge when a CLEC adds a signaling point code. The rates and charges for signaling point code(s) are identified in the applicable access tariffs. This charge also applies to point code information provided by CLEC allowing others to use CLEC's SS7 signaling network.
- 3.6 CLEC shall pay a service order processing/administration charge for each service order submitted by CLEC to AT&T ILLINOIS to process a request for installation, disconnection, rearrangement, changes to or record orders for Lawful UNEs and Resale.
- 3.7 Some items, which must be individually charged (e.g., extraordinary charges, CLEC Changes and etc.), are billed as nonrecurring charges.
- 3.8 Time and Material charges (a.k.a. additional labor charges) are defined in the Pricing Tables.

4. BILLING

- 4.1 For information regarding billing, non-payment, disconnects and dispute resolution, see the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement.

Line	ILLINOIS	AT&T Generic Rates	USOC	Recurring	Non-Recurring	
2		<u>NETWORK ELEMENTS</u>				
3		<u>Loops</u>				
4		2-Wire Analog -Rural (Access Area C)	U2HXC	\$ 14.91		See NRC prices below
5		2-Wire Analog - Suburban (Access Area B)	U2HXB	\$ 12.40		See NRC prices below
6		2-Wire Analog - Metro (Access Area A)	U2HXA	\$ 5.17		See NRC prices below
7		2-Wire Ground Start, Analog/Reverse Battery-Rural(Access Area C)	U2WXC	\$ 12.38		See NRC prices below
8		2-Wire Ground Start, Analog/Reverse Battery-Suburban(Access Area B)	U2WXB	\$ 7.84		See NRC prices below
9		2-Wire Ground Start, analog/Reverse Battery-Metro(Access Area A)	U2WXA	\$ 2.64		See NRC prices below
10		2-Wire Ground Start, PBX-Rural (Access Area C)	U2JXC	\$ 16.71		See NRC prices below
11		2-Wire Ground Start, PBX-Suburban (Access Area B)	U2JXB	\$ 13.13		See NRC prices below
12		2-Wire Ground Start, PBX-Metro (Access Area A)	U2JXA	\$ 4.11		See NRC prices below
13		2-Wire COPTS Coin-Rural(Access Area C)	U2CXC	\$ 16.94		See NRC prices below
14		2-Wire COPTS Coin-Suburban(Access Area B)	U2CXB	\$ 13.28		See NRC prices below
15		2-Wire COPTS Coin-Metro(Access Area A)	U2CXA	\$ 4.11		See NRC prices below
16		2-Wire EKL--Rural(Access Area C)	U2KXC	\$ 21.62		See NRC prices below
17		2-Wire EKL-Suburban(Access Area B)	U2KXB	\$ 16.30		See NRC prices below
18		2-Wire EKL-Metro(Access Area A)	U2KXA	\$ 4.24		See NRC prices below
19		Conditioning for dB Loss		N/A		See NRC prices below
20		4-Wire Analog - Rural (Access Area C)	U4XHC	\$ 34.97		See NRC prices below
21		4-Wire Analog - Suburban (Access Area B)	U4HXB	\$ 27.25		See NRC prices below
22		4-Wire Analog - Metro Access Area A)	U4HXA	\$ 8.27		See NRC prices below
23		2-Wire Digital - Rural (Access Area C)	U2QXC	\$ 22.24		See NRC prices below
24		2-Wire Digital - Suburban (Access Area B)	U2QXB	\$ 17.76		See NRC prices below
25		2-Wire Digital - Metro (Access Area A)	U2QXA	\$ 5.44		See NRC prices below
26		DS1 Loop - Rural (Access Area C)	4U1XC	\$ 53.82		See NRC prices below
27		DS1 Loop - Suburban (Access Area B)	4U1XB	\$ 40.49		See NRC prices below
28		DS1 Loop - Metro (Access Area A)	4U1XA	\$ 27.72		See NRC prices below
29		DS3 Loop - Rural (Access Area C)	U4D3C	\$ 528.15		See NRC prices below
30		DS3 Loop - Suburban (Access Area B)	U4D3B	\$ 405.76		See NRC prices below
31		DS3 Loop - Metro (Access Area A)	U4D3A	\$ 335.73		See NRC prices below
32		<u>DSL Capable Loops</u>				
33		<u>2-Wire xDSL Loop</u>				
34		PSD #1 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	2SLA3	\$ 17.81		See NRC prices below
35		PSD #1 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	2SLA2	\$ 11.57		See NRC prices below
36		PSD #1 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	2SLA1	\$ 5.09		See NRC prices below
37						
38		PSD #2 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	2SLC3	\$ 17.81		See NRC prices below
39		PSD #2 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	2SLC2	\$ 11.57		See NRC prices below
40		PSD #2 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	2SLC1	\$ 5.09		See NRC prices below
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42		PSD #3 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	2SLB3	\$ 17.81		See NRC prices below
43		PSD #3 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	2SLB2	\$ 11.57		See NRC prices below
44		PSD #3 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	2SLB1	\$ 5.09		See NRC prices below
45						
46		PSD #4 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	2SLD3	\$ 17.81		See NRC prices below
47		PSD #4 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	2SLD2	\$ 11.57		See NRC prices below
48		PSD #4 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	2SLD1	\$ 5.09		See NRC prices below
49						
50		PSD #5 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	UWRA3	\$ 17.81		See NRC prices below
51		PSD #5 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	UWRA2	\$ 11.57		See NRC prices below
52		PSD #5 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	UWRA1	\$ 5.09		See NRC prices below
53						
54		PSD #7 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	2SLF3	\$ 17.81		See NRC prices below
55		PSD #7 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	2SLF2	\$ 11.57		See NRC prices below
56		PSD #7 - 2-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	2SLF1	\$ 5.09		See NRC prices below
57		<u>4-Wire xDSL Loop</u>				
58		PSD #3 - 4-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area C- Rural	4SL13	\$ 33.59		See NRC prices below
59		PSD #3 - 4-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area B- Suburban	4SL12	\$ 20.93		See NRC prices below
60		PSD #3 - 4-Wire xDSL Loop Access Area A- Metro	4SL11	\$ 7.93		See NRC prices below
61		<u>IDSL Capable Loop</u>				
62		IDSL Loop Access Area C - Rural	UY5FC	\$ 22.24		See NRC prices below
63		IDSL Loop Access Area B - Suburban	UY5FB	\$ 17.76		See NRC prices below
64		IDSL Loop Access Area A - Metro	UY5FA	\$ 5.44		See NRC prices below
65						
66		LST				
67		Line & Station Transfer(LST) performed on CODSLAM Loop	URCLD	N/A	\$ 237.74	
68		Line & Station Transfer(LST) performed on Sub Loop	URCLB	N/A	\$ 221.31	
69		<u>Loop Qualification Process</u>				
70		Loop Qualification Process - Mechanized	NR98U	N/A	\$0.00	N/A
71		Loop Qualification Process - Manual per minute	NRBXU	N/A	\$0.00	N/A
72						
73		<u>DSL Conditioning Options</u>				
74		<u>DSL Conditioning Options - >12KFT and < 17.5KFT</u>				
75	**	Removal of Repeater Options - per element	NRBXV	N/A	\$21.49	N/A
76	**	Removal Excessive Bridged Tap Option - per element	NRBXW	N/A	\$14.00	N/A
77	**	Removal of Load Coil - per element	NRBXZ	N/A	\$14.08	N/A
78		<u>DSL Conditioning Options - >17.5KFT in addition to the rates for > 12KFT and < 17.5KFT per element</u>				
79	**	Removal of Repeater Options - per element	NRBNL	N/A	\$21.49	N/A
80	**	Removal Excessive Bridged Tap Option - per element	NRBNK	N/A	\$14.00	N/A
81	**	Removal of Load Coil - per element	NRBNJ	N/A	\$14.08	N/A
82						
83		<u>Remove All or NON-Excessive Bridged Tap (RABT) - MMP</u>				
84		Removal of non-excessive bridged tap DSL loops >0Kft. And <17.5Kft.	NRMRJ	None	\$286.75	N/A
85		Removal of All Bridged Tap DSL Loops 12Kft. To 17.5Kft.	NRMRP	None	\$742.35	N/A
86		Removal of non-excessive bridged tap DSL loops >17.5Kft DSL Loops - per element incremental	NRMRM	None	\$286.75	N/A
87		Removal of All Bridged Tap DSL loops >17.5Kft. - per element incremental	NRMRM	None	\$286.75	N/A
88						
89		<u>Loop Non-Recurring Charges</u>				
90		Service Ordering Charge - Analog Loops - Initial - Per Occasion (Connect + Disconnect) /1/				

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91		Service Order - Initial (Connect) /2/	SEPUP	N/A		\$ 6.76	N/A
92	*	Service Order - (Disconnect) /2/	PENDING	N/A		\$ 6.36	N/A
93	*	Service Ordering Charge - Analog Loops - Subsequent - Per Occasion /1/	REAH9	N/A		\$6.76	N/A
94	*	Service Ordering Charge - Analog Loops - Record Work Only - Per Occasion /1/	NR9UP	N/A		\$5.78	N/A
95		Service Ordering Charge - Analog Loops - Initial - Per Occasion (Connect + Disconnect) /1/					
96		Line Connection (Initial) /2/	SEPUC	N/A		\$49.00	N/A
97		Line Connection (Additional) /2/	PENDING	N/A		\$33.92	N/A
98		Line Connection (Disconnect-Initial) /2/	PENDING	N/A		\$9.50	N/A
99		Line Connection (Disconnect-Additional) /2/	PENDING	N/A		\$7.03	N/A
100	*	Service Ordering -(DS1) - Administrative Charge (Connect + Disconnect) /1/		N/A			
101		Service Ordering -(DS1) - Administrative Charge (Connect) /2/	NR90R	N/A		\$10.64	N/A
102		Service Ordering -(DS1) - Administrative Charge (Disconnect) /2/	PENDING	N/A		\$8.60	N/A
103		Service Provisioning (DS1) (Connect + Disconnect) /1/					
104		Connection Initial	PENDING	N/A		\$200.75	N/A
105		Connection Additional	PENDING	N/A		\$100.57	N/A
106		Disconnection Initial	PENDING	N/A		\$7.49	N/A
107		Disconnection Additional	PENDING	N/A		\$5.83	N/A
108		Service Provisioning (DS3) - Administrative Charge (Connect - Disconnect)					
109		Connection Initial	NR90Y	N/A		\$ 10.64	N/A
110		Connection Additional	PENDING	N/A		\$ 8.60	N/A
111		Service Provisioning DS3 (Connect + Disconnect)					
112		Connection Initial	PENDING	N/A		\$84.49	N/A
113		Connection Additional	PENDING	N/A		\$28.79	N/A
114		Disconnection Initial	PENDING	N/A		\$7.68	N/A
115		Disconnection Additional	PENDING	N/A		\$6.02	N/A
116							
117		SUB-LOOPS					
118		ECS to SAI sub-loop					
119		2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.99			See NRC prices below
120		2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 1.64			See NRC prices below
121		2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 1.70			See NRC prices below
122		4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.00			See NRC prices below
123		4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 3.34			See NRC prices below
124		4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 3.35			See NRC prices below
125		2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.99			See NRC prices below
126		2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 1.64			See NRC prices below
127		2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 1.70			See NRC prices below
128		4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.00			See NRC prices below
129		4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 3.34			See NRC prices below
130		4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 3.35			See NRC prices below
131		ECS to Terminal sub-loop					
132		2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.98			See NRC prices below
133		2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 5.93			See NRC prices below
134		2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 10.38			See NRC prices below
135		4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.03			See NRC prices below
136		4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 11.88			See NRC prices below
137		4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 20.70			See NRC prices below
138		2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.98			See NRC prices below
139		2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 5.93			See NRC prices below
140		2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 10.38			See NRC prices below
141		4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.03			See NRC prices below
142		4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 11.88			See NRC prices below
143		4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 20.70			See NRC prices below
144		ECS to NID sub-loop					
145		2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.14			See NRC prices below
146		2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 7.36			See NRC prices below
147		2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 11.84			See NRC prices below
148		4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 4.36			See NRC prices below
149		4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 14.74			See NRC prices below
150		4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 23.64			See NRC prices below
151		2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.14			See NRC prices below
152		2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 7.36			See NRC prices below
153		2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 11.84			See NRC prices below
154		4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 4.36			See NRC prices below
155		4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 14.74			See NRC prices below
156		4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 23.64			See NRC prices below
157		SAI to Terminal sub-loop					
158	*	2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 1.28			See NRC prices below
159	*	2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 3.50			See NRC prices below
160	*	2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 5.65			See NRC prices below
161	*	4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 1.43			See NRC prices below
162	*	4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 5.90			See NRC prices below
163	*	4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 9.34			See NRC prices below
164	*	2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 1.14			See NRC prices below
165	*	2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 3.12			See NRC prices below
166	*	2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 5.65			See NRC prices below
167	*	4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 1.43			See NRC prices below
168	*	4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 5.90			See NRC prices below
169	*	4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 9.34			See NRC prices below
170		SAI to NID sub-loop					
171	*	2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 1.67			See NRC prices below
172	*	2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 4.67			See NRC prices below
173	*	2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 7.66			See NRC prices below
174	*	4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.14			See NRC prices below
175	*	4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 8.81			See NRC prices below
176	*	4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 13.94			See NRC prices below
177	*	2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 1.38			See NRC prices below
178	*	2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 3.61			See NRC prices below
179	*	2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 7.66			See NRC prices below

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180	*	4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 2.14		See NRC prices below
181	*	4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 8.63		See NRC prices below
182	*	4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 13.94		See NRC prices below
183		Terminal to NID sub-loop				
184	*	2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.42		See NRC prices below
185	*	2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 1.01		See NRC prices below
186	*	2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 1.10		See NRC prices below
187	*	4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.62		See NRC prices below
188	*	4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 2.21		See NRC prices below
189	*	4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 2.42		See NRC prices below
190	*	2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.35		See NRC prices below
191	*	2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 0.78		See NRC prices below
192	*	2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 0.97		See NRC prices below
193	*	4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.56		See NRC prices below
194	*	4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 1.89		See NRC prices below
195	*	4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 2.24		See NRC prices below
196		NID sub-loop element				
197		2 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.19		See NRC prices below
198		2 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 0.24		See NRC prices below
199		2 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 0.20		See NRC prices below
200		4 Wire Analog - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.42		See NRC prices below
201		4 Wire Analog - area B	PENDING	\$ 0.50		See NRC prices below
202		4 Wire Analog - area C	PENDING	\$ 0.42		See NRC prices below
203		2 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.19		See NRC prices below
204		2 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 0.24		See NRC prices below
205		2 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 0.20		See NRC prices below
206		4 Wire DSL - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.42		See NRC prices below
207		4 Wire DSL - area B	PENDING	\$ 0.50		See NRC prices below
208		4 Wire DSL - area C	PENDING	\$ 0.42		See NRC prices below
209		2 Wire ISDN Compatible - area A	PENDING	\$ 0.19		See NRC prices below
210		2 Wire ISDN Compatible - area B	PENDING	\$ 0.24		See NRC prices below
211		2 Wire ISDN Compatible - area C	PENDING	\$ 0.20		See NRC prices below
212		4 Wire DS1 Compatible - area A	PENDING	TBD		See NRC prices below
213		4 Wire DS1 Compatible - area B	PENDING	TBD		See NRC prices below
214		4 Wire DS1 Compatible - area C	PENDING	TBD		See NRC prices below
215						
216		Sub-Loop Non-Recurring Charges				
217	*	2-Wire Analog Sub-Loop	PENDING		\$ 220.28	
218	*	4-Wire Analog Sub-Loop	PENDING		\$ 239.27	
219	*	2-Wire xDSL Digital Sub-Loop	PENDING		\$ 220.28	
220	*	4-Wire xDSL Digital Sub-Loop	PENDING		\$ 279.25	
221	*	2-Wire ISDN Digital Sub-Loop	PENDING		\$ 305.92	
222		4-Wire DS-1 (1.544 Mbps) Digital Sub-Loop	PENDING		\$ 513.73	
223						
224		Service Order Charge				
225	*	Establish, per occasion	PENDING		\$ 13.17	
226	*	Add or change, per occasion	PENDING		\$ 13.17	
227		Line Connection Charge				
228	*	per occasion	PENDING		\$ 25.08	
229						
230		Cross Connects				
231		2-Wire	CXCT2	\$ 0.14	N/A	N/A
232		DS1/LT1	CXCDX	\$ 0.43	N/A	N/A
233		DS3/LT3	CXC8X	\$ 0.76	N/A	N/A
234		DS3 Loop Cross-Connect to Collocation	CXCBX	\$ 33.14	N/A	N/A
235						
236		Interoffice Transport:				
237	DS1	Interoffice Mileage Termination - Per Point of Termination - All Areas	CZ4XA-XC	\$ 17.35	N/A	N/A
238		Interoffice Mileage - Per Mile - All Areas	1YZXA-XC	\$ 1.88	N/A	N/A
239	DS3	Interoffice Mileage Termination - Per Point of Termination - All Areas	CZ4XA-XC	\$ 146.93	N/A	N/A
240		Interoffice Mileage - Per Mile - All Areas	1YZXA-XC	\$ 29.81	N/A	N/A
241		Interoffice Mileage Termination - Per Point of Termination - All Areas	CZ4WA-WC	\$ 146.93	N/A	N/A
242		Interoffice Mileage - Per Mile - All Areas	1YZBA-BC	\$ 29.81	N/A	N/A
243						
244		Multiplexing				
245		DS1 to Voice Grade	QMVXA-XC	\$ 275.34	N/A	N/A
246		DS3 to DS1	QM3XA-XC	\$ 404.30	N/A	N/A
247						
248		Dedicated Transport Cross Connects				
249	DS1		CXCDX	0.43	N/A	N/A
250	DS3		CXCEX	\$ 0.76	N/A	N/A
251						
252		Dedicated Transport Optional Features & Functions				
253	*	DS1 Clear Channel Capability - Per 1.544 Mbps Circuit Arranged	CLYXA-XC		\$ 443.18	N/A
254						
255		Dedicated Transport Installation & Rearrangement Charges				
256	*	DS1 Administration Charge - Per Order	ORCMX	N/A	\$ 406.61	N/A
257	*	Design & Central Office Connection Charge - Per Circuit	NRBCL	N/A	\$ 632.71	N/A
258	*	Carrier Connection Charge - Per Order	NRBBL	N/A	\$ 585.51	N/A
259	*	DS3 Administration Charge - Per Order	ORCMX	N/A	\$ 308.22	N/A
260	*	Design & Central Office Connection Charge - Per Circuit	NRBC4	N/A	\$ 671.16	N/A
261	*	Carrier Connection Charge - Per Order	NRBDT	N/A	\$ 377.25	N/A
262						
263		Enhanced Extended Loop (EEL) Service Order per LSR				
264		Analog Loop Service Order Charge, per ASR or LSR				
265		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				N/A
266		Connection	NKCAR	N/A	\$ 10.48	N/A
267		Disconnection /2/	NKCAS	N/A	\$ 8.63	N/A
268		Electronic Subsequent	NKCAT		\$ 10.04	N/A

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269		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				N/A
270		Connection	NKCAU	N/A	\$ 63.12	N/A
271		Disconnection	NKCAV	N/A	\$ 42.47	N/A
272		Manual Subsequent	NKCAW	N/A	\$ 59.18	N/A
273						
274		2-Wire Digital Loop Service Order Charge				
275		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				N/A
276		Connection	NKCAR	N/A	\$ 10.48	N/A
277		Disconnection	NKCAS	N/A	\$ 8.63	N/A
278		Electronic Subsequent	NKCAT	N/A	\$ 10.04	N/A
279		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				N/A
280		Connection	NKCAU	N/A	\$ 63.12	N/A
281		Disconnection	NKCAV	N/A	\$ 42.47	N/A
282		Manual Subsequent	NKCAW	N/A	\$ 59.18	N/A
283		DS1 Loop Service Order Charge Per LSR or ASR				
284		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
285		Connection	NKCAZ	N/A	\$ 11.14	
286		Disconnection	NKCB1	N/A	\$ 8.63	
287		Electronic Subsequent	NKCB2	N/A	\$ 10.04	
288		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection)	NKCB3	N/A	\$ 69.74	
289		Connection			\$ 42.47	
290		Disconnection			\$ 59.18	
291		Manual Subsequent				
292		DS1 Transport Service Order Charge Per LSR or ASR				
293		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
294		Connection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 11.44	
295		Disconnection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 8.63	
296		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
297		Connection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 72.70	
298		Disconnection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 42.47	
299		DS3 Transport Service Order Charge Per LSR or ASR				
300		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
301		Connection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 11.44	
302		Disconnection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 8.63	
303		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
304		Connection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 72.70	
305		Disconnection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 42.47	
306		Central Office DS1 to Voice Mux Service Order				
307		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
308		Connection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 11.44	
309		Disconnection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 8.63	
310		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
311		Connection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 72.70	
312		Disconnection	PENDING	N/A	\$ 42.47	
313		Non-Channelized DS1 EEL Service Order				
314		Electronic Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
315		Connection	NKCB4	N/A	\$ 11.14	
316		Disconnection	NKCB5	N/A	\$ 8.63	
317		Manual Establish (Connection + Disconnection)				
318		Connection	NKCB6	N/A	\$ 69.74	
319		Disconnection	NKCB7	N/A	\$ 42.47	
320		Provisioning				
321		2-Wire Analog Loop Connection - Initial (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				
322		Connection	NKCB8	N/A	\$ 49.44	
323		Disconnection	NKCB9	N/A	\$ 9.50	
324		2-Wire Analog Loop Connection - Additional (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				
325		Connection	NKCB8	N/A	\$ 33.86	
326		Disconnection	NKCB9	N/A	\$ 7.03	
327		4-Wire Analog Loop Connection - Initial (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				
328		Connection	NKCB8	N/A	\$ 49.44	
329		Disconnection	NKCB9	N/A	\$ 9.50	
330		4-Wire Analog Loop Connection - Additional (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				
331		Connection	NKCB8	N/A	\$ 33.86	
332		Disconnection	NKCB9	N/A	\$ 7.03	
333		2-Wire Digital Loop Connection - Initial (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				
334		Connection	NKCB8	N/A	\$ 65.76	
335		Disconnection	NKCB9	N/A	\$ 9.50	
336		2-Wire Digital Loop Connection - Additional (Connection + Disconnection) /1/				
337		Connection	NKCB8	N/A	\$ 30.46	
338		Disconnection	NKCB9	N/A	\$ 7.03	
339		4-Wire DS1 Digital Loop Connection - Initial (Connection + Disconnection)				
340		Connection	NKCB8		\$ 248.22	
341		Disconnection	NKCB9		\$ 11.97	
342		4-Wire DS1 Digital Loop Connection - Additional (Connection + Disconnection)				
343		Connection	NKCB8		\$ 135.15	
344		Disconnection	NKCB9		\$ 8.25	
345		Central Office Multiplexing DS1 to Voice - Initial (Connection + Disconnection)				
346		Connection	PENDING		\$ 66.78	
347		Disconnection	PENDING		\$ 7.92	
348		Central Office Multiplexing DS1 to Voice - Additional (Connection + Disconnection)				
349		Connection	PENDING		\$ 36.59	
350		Disconnection	PENDING		\$ 4.20	
351		DS1 Interoffice UDT - Collocated Initial (Connection + Disconnection)				
352		Connection	PENDING		\$ 95.69	
353		Disconnection	PENDING		\$ 12.35	
354		DS1 Interoffice UDT - Collocated Additional (Connection + Disconnection)				
355		Connection	PENDING		\$ 61.65	
356		Disconnection	PENDING		\$ 8.64	
357		4-Wire DS1 Digital Loop to DS1 Interoffice UDT - Collocated - Initial (Connection + Disconnection)				

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358		Connection	NKCBT			\$	356.20
359		Disconnection	NKCBU			\$	17.20
360	4-Wire DS1 Digital Loop to DS1 Interoffice UDT - Collocated - Additional (Connection + Disconnection)						
361		Connection	NKCBV			\$	146.40
362		Disconnection	NKCBW			\$	12.13

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363		4-Wire DS1 Loop to DS1 Interoffice UDT - Non-Collocated - Initial (Connection + Disconnection)				
364		Connection	NKCBX		\$ 356.20	
365		Disconnection	NKCBY		\$ 17.20	
366		4-Wire DS1 Loop to DS1 Interoffice UDT - Non-Collocated - Additional (Connection + Disconnection)				
367		Connection	NKCBZ		\$ 228.29	
368		Disconnection	NKCC1		\$ 12.13	
369		DS3 Interoffice UDT - Collocated - Initial (Connection + Disconnection)				
370		Connection	PENDING		\$ 139.71	
371		Disconnection	PENDING		\$ 17.20	
372		DS3 Interoffice UDT - Collocated - Additional (Connection + Disconnection)				
373		Connection	PENDING		\$ 48.78	
374		Disconnection	PENDING		\$ 12.13	
375		Clear Channel Capability, Initial, Install	NKCC6		\$ 70.32	
376		Clear Channel Capability, Additional, Install	PENDING		\$ 8.87	
377		Clear Channel Capability, Additional, Disconnect	NKCC7		\$ 8.87	
378						
379		Special Access to UNE Conversion				
380		Channelized Facility (DS1 or DS3) Term.to Collo. w Circuits (DS0 or S1) Terminating to EU Prem. With milage				
381		Channelized Facility from Cage, DS1, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCC9	N/A	N/A	
382		Channelized Facility from Cage, DS3, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCCA	N/A	N/A	
383		Non Channelized Facility (DS1, DS3, or DSO) Terminating to EU Prem. With Milage				
384		Non-Channelized Facility from Cage, DSO, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCCB	N/A	N/A	
385		Non-Channelized Facility from Cage, DS1, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCCC	N/A	N/A	
386		Non-Channelized Facility from Cage, DS3, Design and Coordination charge	NKCCD	N/A	N/A	
387		Channelized Facility (DS1 or DS3) Term. To Collo. With Circuits (DS0 or DS1) Terminating to Collo				
388		Channelized Facility from POP, DS1, Design and Coordination charge	NKCCE	N/A	N/A	
389		Channelized Facility from POP, DS3, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCCF	N/A	N/A	
390		Channelized Facility from POP, DSO, Design and Coordination Charge	PENDING	N/A		
391		Non Channelized Facility (DS1, DS3, or DSO) Termination to EU Prem. W/O Milage			N/A	
392		Non-Channelized Facility from POP, DSO, Design and Coordination Charge	PENDING	N/A	N/A	
393		Non-Channelized Facility from OPO, DSO, Design and coordination Charge	NKCCG	N/A	N/A	
394		Non-Channelized Facility from POP, DS1, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCCH	N/A	N/A	
395		Non-Channelized Facility from POP, DS3, Design and Coordination Charge	NKCCJ	N/A	N/A	
396		Private Line to UNE Conversion	PENDING	N/A	\$ 25.57	
397		AC2U Project Administrative Activity Per Service Circuit	NKCC8		\$ 21.23	
398						
399		Dark Fiber				
400		Dark Fiber Interoffice				
401 *		Dark Fiber Interoffice Termination (Per Termination per Fiber)	ULYCX	\$16.24	N/A	N/A
402		Dark Fiber Interoffice Mileage (Per Fiber per Foot)	ULNCF	\$0.00179	N/A	N/A
403		Dark Fiber Interoffice Cross Connect (Per Termination per Fiber)	UKCJX	\$3.43	N/A	N/A
404		Inquiry (Per Request)				
405 *		Dark Fiber Interoffice Transport - NRC	NR9D6	N/A	\$325.28	N/A
406		FIRM ORDER (Per Fiber Strand)				
407 *		Administrative per Order	NRB51	N/A	\$28.63	N/A
408 *		Dark Fiber Interoffice Transport - NRC	NRB54	N/A	\$612.88	N/A
409						
410		Routine Modifications				
411		Routine Modifications to Existing Facilities Charge	PENDING	N/A	ICB	N/A
412						
413		LNP				
414		***Local Number Portability	NSR	\$0	N/A	
415		***Pursuant to FCC Tariff #2, Section 4 effective from June 1, 2004 and shall cease billing effective October 1, 2004.				
416						
417						
418		Maintenance of Service	VRP	N/A	\$71.00	
419						
420		OTHER				
421		Directory Assistance				
422		Directory Assistance, per call	OPEN	\$ 0.40	NA	
423		National Directory Assistance (NDA), per call	OPEN	\$ 0.65	NA	
424		Reverse Directory Assistance (RDA), per call	OPEN	\$ 0.65	NA	
425		Business Category Search (BCS) / where applicable, per call	OPEN	\$ 0.65	NA	
426		Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC), per call	OPEN	\$ 0.15	NA	
427						
428		OS/DA Automated Call Greeting and Reference / Rates				
429		Branding - Other - Initial/Subsequent Load, per switch, per OCN	OPEN	N/A	\$ 1,800.00	
430		Brand and Reference/Rate Look Up, per OS/DA call	OPEN	\$ 0.03	N/A	
431		Branding - Facility Based - Initial/Subsequent Load				
432		- Branding, per trunk group	OPEN	N/A	\$ 800.00	
433		Rate Reference - Initial Load, per state, per OCN	OPEN	N/A	\$ 5,000.00	
434		Rate Reference - Subsequent Load, per state, per OCN	OPEN	N/A	\$ 1,500.00	
435						
436		Operator Services				
437		Fully Automated Call Processing, per call	OPEN	\$ 0.15	N/A	
438		Operator Assisted Call Processing -- All Types (Including Busy Line Verify [BLV]				
439		and Busy Line Verification / Interrupt [BLV/I]), per work second	OPEN	\$ 0.03	N/A	
440						
441						
442		DA Listing Liscense				
443		Option #1 Full File (all states inclusive) Non-Billable Release (no query charges)				
444		- per listing for initial load	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.040	N/A
445		- per listing for subsequent updates	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.060	N/A
446		Option #2 Full File (all states inclusive) Billable Release				
447		- per listing for initial load	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.020	N/A
448		- per listing for subsequent updates	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.030	N/A
449		- per usage/query	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.020	N/A
450		Option #3 Pick & Choose (by state) Non-billable Release (no query charges)				
451		- per listing for initial load	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.050	N/A

Line	ILLINOIS	AT&T Generic Rates	USOC	Recurring	Non-Recurring	
452		- per listing for subsequent updates	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.060	N/A
453		Option #4 Pick & Choose (by state) Billable Release				
454		- per listing for initial load	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.020	N/A
455		- per listing for subsequent updates	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.030	N/A
456		- per usage/query	OPEN	N/A	\$ 0.020	N/A
457						
458	Resale					
459						
460		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE / OPERATOR SERVICES				
461		Local Directory Assistance	RESALE	21.46%	N/A	
462		Local Operator Assistance Services	RESALE	21.46%	N/A	
463						
464		National Directory Assistance (NDA), per call	OPEN	\$ 0.65	NA	
465		Reverse Directory Assistance (RDA), per call	OPEN	\$ 0.65	NA	
466		Business Category Search (BCS) / where applicable, per call	OPEN	\$ 0.65	NA	
467		Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC), per call	OPEN	\$ 0.15	NA	
468						
469		OS/DA Automated Call Greeting and Reference / Rates				
470		Branding - Other - Initial/Subsequent Load, per switch, per OCN	OPEN	N/A	\$ 1,800.00	
471		Brand and Reference/Rate Look Up, per OS/DA call	OPEN	\$ 0.03	N/A	
472		Rate Reference - Initial Load, per state, per OCN	OPEN	N/A	\$ 5,000.00	
473		Rate Reference - Subsequent Load, per state, per OCN	OPEN	N/A	\$ 1,500.00	
474						
475		Ancillary Message Billing Compensation (Per Message)	OPEN	\$ 0.03	N/A	N/A
476						
477		Structure Access - Poles & Ducts		Annually		
478		Poles (\$/Attachment/yr.)*##				
479		Per Pole Attachment*	OPEN	\$ 2.46	N/A	N/A
480		Per Foot of innderduct##	OPEN	\$ 0.49	N/A	N/A
481		Application fee	OPEN		\$ 200.00	
482		Unauthorized Attachment Fee	OPEN		\$500.00 per pole	
483		Unauthorized Occupancy6 Fee	OPEN		\$50.00 per Conduit Foot	
484		*For (1) each one foot of usable space, or fraction thereof, occupied and (2) each additional				
485		one foot of space, or fraction thereof, rendered unusable by the attachment's presence.				
486		## Note All pole and conduit license fees are for a period of one yer from January 1 thru December 31,				
487		effective January 1, 2005 and billable semi-annually in advance in January and July of each year.				
488		New rates will be communicated to CLEC no later than November 1st for the succeeding year				
489						
490		Emergency Number Service Access				
491		911 Selective Router Interconnection				
492		- Digital DS1 Interface		198.11	\$ 706.64	
493		-Each DSO installed	USAGE	\$ -	\$ 507.00	
494		-Analog Channel Interface	EVG9X	\$ 19.99	\$ 610.45	
495		ANI/ALI/SR and Database Management				
496		- Per 100 records, rounded up to nearest 100	9S89X	\$ 3.53	\$ 713.33	
497		Access Routing File (CD-ROM)	USAGE	\$ 25.95		
498		911 Selective Router Switch Administration				
499		-Per Selective Router	USAGE	\$ 91.49	\$ 5,557.82	
500						
501		INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION				
502						
503		Rate for All ISP-Bound and Section 251(b)(5) Traffic as per FCC 01-131, per MOU	USAGE	\$0.0007		
504						
505		/1/ These rates will be replaced effective March 31, 2005 by the rates identified by footnote /2/				
506		/2/ in accordance with the Order in ICC Docket 02-0004, these rates will become effective on March 31, 2005.				
507		* This rate is interim, pursuant to the February 6, 2003 Order of the Illinois Commerce Commission in Docket No. 01-0662, and are subject to true-up to reflect any adjustments made by legally binding rulings in				
508						
509		** These rates as to xDSL subloops only are interim, pursuant to the February 6, 2003 Order of the Illinois Commerce Commission in Docket No. 01-0662, and are subject to true-up to reflect any adjustments made by legally binding rulings in subsequent proceedings. The true-up period shall begin the later of February 6, 2003, the date of the Order, or the effective date of these interim rates as to a CLEC for any loop conditioning addressed above that a CLEC orders on an xDSL subloop at the rates set forth herein. True-ups pursuant to this provision shall be effectuated only upon written notice by a Party ("Notice"). Upon such Notice, AT&T Illinois shall perform the appropriate true-up calculation and issue adjustments, to the extent applicable. The backbilling limitations applicable to amounts billed under this Agreement will not apply. These loop conditioning rates are not interim or subject to true-up as to stand-alone xDSL loops, but rather, constitute the non-interim loop conditioning rates previously established by the ICC for stand-alone, copper xDSL loops.				
510		RESALE				
511		See the "Illinois Resale Pricing" schedule				
512		Line Connection Charge				
513		Residence	RESALE		ILL.C.C. No. 20 Tariff Part 22	
514		Business	RESALE		See ILL.C.C. No. 20 Tariff Part 22	
515		Service Order/Service Request Charge				
516		Residence	RESALE		See ILL.C.C. No. 20 Tariff Part 22	
517		Business	RESALE		See ILL.C.C. No. 20 Tariff Part 22	
518		Non-Electronic (Manual) Service Order Charge				
519		Residence	RESALE		See ILL.C.C. No. 20 Tariff Part 22	
520		Business	RESALE		See ILL.C.C. No. 20 Tariff Part 22	

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APPENDIX ILLINOIS RECOURSE CREDITS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 AT&T Inc. (AT&T) means the holding company which directly or indirectly owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois.
- 1.2 AT&T ILLINOIS - As used herein, AT&T ILLINOIS means Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Illinois, the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC doing business in Illinois.
- 1.3 As used herein, "Consequential Damages" shall mean indirect, special, consequential, incidental or punitive damages, including loss on anticipated profits or revenues or any other economic loss in connection with or arising under the Agreement.
- 1.4 As used herein, "Customer Credits" shall mean those credits that CLEC provides to its end users pursuant to 83 IL Admin Code. Section 732.30 for violation of a Local Exchange Service Obligation.
- 1.5 As used herein, "Local Exchange Service Obligations" means those basic local exchange service standards that telecommunications carriers are expected to fulfill in accordance with 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.20.
- 1.6 As used herein, "Recourse Credits" shall mean those credits that AT&T ILLINOIS is required to provide to CLEC pursuant to 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.35, to reimburse CLEC for those Customer Credits paid by CLEC in the event that CLEC's violation of a Local Exchange Service Obligation is caused by AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 1.7 As used herein, "Recourse Credit Claim Form" shall mean the form which is attached as Exhibit RC completed by CLEC and submitted to AT&T ILLINOIS to request and obtain Recourse Credits. Such form shall also be available on the AT&T CLEC Online website: <https://clec.AT&T.com/clec/>.
- 1.8 This Appendix implements an Illinois-specific requirement imposed by 83 Ill. Admin Code Section 732.35, and corresponds to the terms and conditions by which AT&T ILLINOIS provides Recourse Credits to CLEC pursuant to 83 Ill. Admin. Code Section 732.35 and then only to the extent required by that regulation.

2. REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT

- 2.1 CLEC shall submit a Recourse Credit Claim Form to AT&T ILLINOIS' Local Service Center by the 10th day of each month for which CLEC seeks Recourse Credits. The Recourse Credit Claim Form shall separately identify all Customer Credits made, paid or otherwise provided by the CLEC to its end users that were required by IL Admin. Code Section 732.30 during the preceding calendar month for which reimbursement is requested from AT&T ILLINOIS.
- 2.2 The Recourse Credit Claim Form may also include requests pertaining to Customer Credits made, paid or otherwise provided by the CLEC to its end users in prior months and not previously requested by the CLEC in an earlier Recourse Credit Claim Form, provided, however, that the CLEC shall have a maximum of ninety (90) days from the date on which the Customer Credits were credited, paid or provided by the CLEC to its end users to request a Recourse Credit from AT&T ILLINOIS. Provided further, that the CLEC shall have ninety (90) days from earliest of a) the effective date of 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.35 or b) the effective date of this Appendix to request reimbursement for Customer Credits paid to end users from August 1, 2001 to such effective date of this Appendix.
- 2.3 By submitting a Recourse Credit Claim Form requesting a Recourse Credit, CLEC represents and warrants to AT&T ILLINOIS that (i) at the time CLEC submits such a Recourse Credit Claim Form that the information contained within is a true and correct calculation of the credit claimed due to the CLEC based on information known to the CLEC and information received by the CLEC from its customer and relied upon for substantiation under 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.30, and (ii) that a credit in an amount that is not

less than the one sought from AT&T ILLINOIS was actually made to CLEC's end user associated with alleged violation of a Local Exchange Service Obligation.

2.4 CLEC's Recourse Credit Claim Form shall include the following information with respect to each request for Recourse Credit:

2.4.1 The name and telephone number of the CLEC's end user that was alleged affected;

2.4.2 The specific Local Exchange Service Obligation that was violated;

2.4.3 Brief statement as to how the alleged actions or inactions of AT&T ILLINOIS, or alleged failure or deficiency in any network element or service provided by AT&T ILLINOIS to the CLEC, caused the violation of the Local Exchange Service Obligation by CLEC; and

2.4.4 Amount of Customer Credit made, paid or provided by CLEC to its end user (including the cost to the CLEC of any alternative telephone service provided to end user) for which Recourse Credit is requested, and the date or dates on which the Customer Credit was provided.

3. RESPONSE TO REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

3.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall have thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of CLEC's Recourse Credit Claim Form to notify CLEC in writing if it disputes a request for a Recourse Credit. Such notice shall separately identify each request for Recourse Credit that is disputed, and the basis on which AT&T ILLINOIS disputes the reimbursement. A request for a Recourse Credit which is not disputed in writing by AT&T ILLINOIS within the thirty (30) calendar day period shall be reimbursed by AT&T ILLINOIS, subject to AT&T ILLINOIS' right to seek recovery of credits pursuant to Section 6 of this Appendix.

3.2 For each request for Recourse Credit that is timely disputed by AT&T ILLINOIS, the parties shall use the dispute resolution process set forth in the Agreement.

4. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

4.1 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to make, pay or otherwise provide any Recourse Credit unless CLEC (i) is legally required to make a Customer Credit to its end users under 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.30 and (ii) actually makes, pays, or otherwise provides such Customer Credit. In no event shall any Recourse Credit include any amount attributable to any liquidated damages or Consequential Damages or any other damages that CLEC may have paid its end user in excess of those credits expressly required by 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.30 (a) – (c).

4.2 AT&T ILLINOIS shall not be required to provide CLEC with Recourse Credits if a violation of a Local Exchange Service Obligations resulted from one or more of the occurrences described in 83 IL Admin. Code Section 732.30 (e).

4.3 In the event that AT&T ILLINOIS is not the sole cause of a CLEC violation of a Local Exchange Service Obligation, the Parties shall agree to a reduction of the Recourse Credit based upon a proper allocation of fault. If the Parties cannot agree to the proper allocation of fault, the Parties shall resolve the issue by following the dispute resolution process set forth in the Agreement.

5. METHOD AND TIMING OF REIMBURSEMENT

5.1 Recourse Credits made under this Appendix shall be credited to the CLEC on AT&T ILLINOIS' invoice to the CLEC for network elements or other services on the first billing date that is not less than thirty (30) Business Days after the AT&T ILLINOIS receipt of the Recourse Credit Claim Form. Any Recourse Credit claims agreed to by AT&T ILLINOIS after dispute resolution negotiations pursuant to Section 3.2 shall be credited to CLEC on AT&T ILLINOIS' invoice to CLEC for network elements or other services on the first billing date that is not less than thirty (30) Business Days after dispute resolution negotiations conclude. Should dispute resolution fail, any request for Recourse Credits that AT&T ILLINOIS that is ordered to honor pursuant to an order by the Illinois Commerce Commission or court of competent jurisdiction shall be

credited to CLEC on AT&T ILLINOIS' invoice to CLEC for network elements or other services on the first billing date that is not less than thirty (30) Business Days after the effective date of such order.

- 5.2 Where reimbursement is to be made by credit on AT&T ILLINOIS' invoice to the CLEC, the invoice shall show separately the credit and the reason for it.
- 5.3 Any disputed request for a Recourse Credit which AT&T ILLINOIS is ordered to pay by the Commission as the result of a formal complaint proceeding initiated by CLEC or by a court, arbitration panel or other tribunal as a result of a proceeding initiated by CLEC, shall bear interest from the date the formal complaint proceeding or other proceeding was initiated by CLEC to the date of payment. Any disputed request for refund or repayment of a Recourse Credit previously provided by AT&T ILLINOIS which CLEC is ordered to pay by the Commission as the result of a formal complaint proceeding initiated by AT&T ILLINOIS or by a court, arbitration panel or other tribunal as a result of a proceeding initiated by AT&T ILLINOIS, shall bear interest from the date the formal complaint proceeding or other proceeding was initiated by AT&T ILLINOIS to the date of payment.

6. OBLIGATION TO UPDATE

- 6.1 If CLEC becomes aware of any inaccuracy or omission in any information that it previously provided to AT&T ILLINOIS to substantiate Recourse Credit claims, including if such inaccuracy or omission arises from events subsequent to the submission, CLEC shall notify AT&T ILLINOIS of such inaccuracy or omission within five (5) Business Days of becoming aware of such inaccuracy or omission, and do so on a per-Claim basis. If in light of such inaccuracy or omission, a Recourse Credit(s) made should not or would not have been made under this Appendix, in whole or in part (even if CLEC provided a Customer Credit), AT&T ILLINOIS may recover the amount of such inappropriate credits on AT&T ILLINOIS' upon providing CLEC with ten (10) days advance notice. If CLEC fails to dispute such notice within ten (10) days, CLEC shall be deemed to have agreed with AT&T ILLINOIS' notice and AT&T ILLINOIS may recover the amount of such inappropriate credits on its next invoice to CLEC. If CLEC disputes such notice, the Parties shall comply with the dispute resolution procedures set forth in the Agreement.
- 6.2 If AT&T ILLINOIS denies a Recourse Credit request, in whole or in part, and becomes aware of any inaccuracy or omission in the facts that it relied upon for its decision for that denial, AT&T ILLINOIS shall notify CLEC of such inaccuracy or omission within five (5) Business Days of becoming aware of such inaccuracy or omission on a per-Claim basis. If such inaccuracy or omission resulted in AT&T ILLINOIS failing to pay Recourse Credits, in whole or in part, to CLEC that it otherwise should have paid, AT&T ILLINOIS shall provide such Recourse Credit not less than thirty (30) Business Days after AT&T ILLINOIS agrees that such Recourse Credit should have been paid.

7. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

- 7.1 The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Appendix is the result of an Illinois law and Illinois Commerce Commission regulations imposing Illinois-specific requirements and is not entered into to fulfill any Section 251 or 252 requirement or obligation. Ameritech is not admitting that this Appendix or any subject addressed herein is subject to Section 251 or 252, nor is it waiving its rights to take any position with respect to the application of the Section 251/252 process. The parties further acknowledge and agree that this Appendix was therefore agreed upon outside of the negotiation procedures of 47 U.S.C. Section 252(a)(1). (See SBC/Ameritech Order in CC Docket No. 98-141, FCC 99-279 at Condition 43, and Note 725). The parties further acknowledge that the entirety of this Appendix and its provisions are non-severable, and are "legitimately related" as that phrase is understood under Section 252(i) of Title 47, United States Code, notwithstanding the fact that Section 252(i) does not apply to this Appendix.
- 7.2 This Appendix provides a mechanism to incorporate the 83 Ill. Admin. Code Section 732.35 and 220 ILCS 5/13-712 Illinois-specific requirements regarding Local Exchange Service Obligations. This Appendix is expressly conditional and is valid and binding only so long as no court or agency has ruled that the provisions of relevant 220 ILCS 5/13-712 or 83 Ill. Admin. Code Section 732.30 are unlawful, or has enjoined the effectiveness, application, or enforcement of those provisions, or has ruled that those

provisions do not require all or any part of the provisions provided for in this Appendix. In any such event, the Appendix automatically expires and is no longer available upon and to the extent of any such ruling or injunctive action. In addition, the parties agree to comply with the Intervening Law or Change of Law provisions within the Agreement to amend this Appendix in the event that there is a change in relevant 220 ILCS 5/13-712 or 83 IL Admin. Code requirements.

EXHIBIT RC

Illinois Recourse Credit Claim

Date Submitted: _____

CARRIER NAME: _____ END USER CUSTOMER AFFECTED NAME: _____

CARRIER Billing Account Number: _____ END USER CUSTOMER AFFECTED TEL. NO.: _____

Check Applicable Claim(s) Below and Provide Requested Information

___ Service Interruption Recourse Credit Claim

Date/Time Interruption Reported to Company* : _____

Ticket number: _____

Amount of Monthly Charge for Regulated Local Services Rendered Inoperative: \$ _____

Amount of Credit issued to end user Customer: \$ _____

Applicable Credit (Check/Circle One): Pro-Rata ___ 1/3 ___ 2/3 ___ 100% ___

Number of Additional Days ___ @ \$20/day ___ OR wireless phone \$ _____ /day

Requested Recourse Credit: \$ _____

___ New Service Installation Charge Credit (Missed Interval)

Date/Time Carrier Received Application for New Service: _____

Requested Installation Date: _____

Date/Time Order Received by Company* : _____ Date Installed: _____

Order number: _____

Amount of Regulated Installation Charge Actually Imposed on end-user Customer: \$ _____

Amount of Credit Issued to end-user Customer: \$ _____

Applicable Credit (Check/Circle One): 50% ___ 100% ___

Number of Additional Days ___ @ \$20/day ___ OR wireless phone \$ _____ /day

Requested Recourse Credit: \$ _____

___ Missed Installation Appointment Recourse Credit

Date/Window of Missed Scheduled Appointment: ___/___/___ Time: AM ___ PM ___ All Day ___ (Check/Circle One)

Order number: _____

Amount of Credit Issued to end-user Customer: \$ _____

Requested Recourse Credit: \$ _____

___ Missed Repair Appointment Recourse Credit

Date/Window of Missed Scheduled Appointment: ___/___/___ Time: AM ___ PM ___ All Day ___ (Check/Circle One)

Ticket number: _____

Amount of Credit Issued to end-user Customer: \$ _____

Requested Recourse Credit: \$ _____

**Brief statement as to how Company* caused the violation of the Local Exchange Service Obligation by the Carrier:

COMPANY* RESOLUTION/RESPONSE

Company* Contact: _____

Claim Accepted: _____

Recourse Credit Amount: \$ _____

Claim Partially Accepted: _____

Claim Rejected-Incomplete: _____

Claim Denied: _____

Explanation of Partially Accepted, Rejected-Incomplete, or Denied Claim:

BY SUBMITTING THIS CREDIT CLAIM TO THE COMPANY*, CARRIER REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT THE AMOUNT OF THE RECOURSE CREDIT DUE THE CARRIER IS ACCURATE AND COMPLETE, BASED ON INFORMATION KNOWN TO THE CARRIER AND INFORMATION THE CARRIER HAS RECEIVED FROM ITS END-USER CUSTOMER.

- "Company" refers to AT&T ILLINOIS

AT&T ILLINOIS COMMISSION APPROVED SECTION 271 PLAN DESCRIPTION

This Performance Remedy Plan sets forth the terms and conditions under which AT&T Illinois will report performance to CLEC and compare that performance to AT&T Illinois' own performance ("parity"), benchmark criteria, or both, whichever is applicable. This document further provides for enforcement through liquidated damages and assessments.

1. AT&T Illinois agrees to provide CLEC a monthly report of performance for the performance measures listed in Appendix 1 – AT&T Illinois Performance Measurement User Guide. AT&T Illinois will collect, analyze, and report performance data for these measures in accordance with the business rules defined in Appendix 1, as approved by the Commission. Both the performance measures and the business rules in Appendix 1 are subject to modification in accordance with section 6.4 below regarding six-month reviews. AT&T Illinois further agrees to use the two-tiered enforcement structure for performance measurements provided for in this document. The Commission-approved performance measurements shown in Appendix 1 hereto identify the measurements that belong to Tier 1 (payable to CLECs) and/or Tier 2 (payable to the State) categories.
 - 1.1 AT&T Illinois will not levy a separate charge for provision of the data to CLEC called for under this document. Upon CLEC's request, data files of CLEC's raw data, or any subset thereof, will be transmitted to CLEC. If CLEC's request is transmitted to AT&T Illinois on or before the last day of the month for which data is sought, AT&T Illinois shall provide the data to CLEC on or before the last day of the following month pursuant to mutually acceptable format, protocol, and transmission media. If CLEC's request is transmitted to AT&T Illinois after the last day of the month for which data is sought, AT&T Illinois shall provide the data to CLEC within 30 days of receipt pursuant to mutually acceptable format, protocol, and transmission media. Notwithstanding other provisions of this Agreement, the Parties agree that such records will be deemed Proprietary Information.
2. AT&T Illinois will use a statistical test, namely the modified "Z-test," for evaluating the difference between two means (AT&T Illinois retail or its affiliate – whichever is better, provided the number of affiliate data points equal or exceed 30 – and CLEC) or percentages, or the difference between two ratios for purposes of this document. AT&T Illinois agrees to use the modified Z-tests as outlined below as the statistical tests for the determination of parity when the results for AT&T Illinois retail or its affiliate (whichever is better, provided the number of affiliate data points equal or exceed 30) and the CLEC are compared. This statistical test will compare the CLEC performance to the AT&T Illinois retail performance or the affiliate performance (whichever is better). If the affiliate data has fewer than 30 observations, the comparison will be to AT&T Illinois' retail performance. The modified Z-tests are applicable if the number of data points are greater than or equal to 30 for a given disaggregation category. In cases where benchmarks are established, the determination of compliance is through a comparison to the applicable Commission-approved benchmark. For testing compliance for measures for which the number of data points is 29 or less, the use of permutation tests as outlined below may be used.
3. For purposes of this document, performance for the CLEC on a particular sub-measure (disaggregated level) will be considered in compliance with the parity requirement when the measured results in a single month (whether in the form of means, percents, or ratios) for the same sub-measurement, at equivalent disaggregation, for both AT&T Illinois and/or its affiliate (whichever is better, provided the number of affiliate data points exceeds 30) and CLEC are used to calculate a Z-test statistic and the resulting value is no greater than Critical-Z value that would maintain 95% confidence that the difference in results reflects disparity. That Critical-Z value is 1.645.

Z-Test:

AT&T Illinois will utilize the following formulae for determining parity using Z-Test:

For Measurement results that are expressed as Averages or Means:

$$Z = (\text{DIFF}) / \sigma_{\text{DIFF}}$$

Where:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DIFF} &= M_{\text{ILEC}} - M_{\text{CLEC}} \\ M_{\text{ILEC}} &= \text{ILEC Average} \\ M_{\text{CLEC}} &= \text{CLEC Average} \\ \sigma_{\text{DIFF}} &= \text{SQRT} [\sigma_{\text{ILEC}}^2 (1 / n_{\text{CLEC}} + 1 / n_{\text{ILEC}})] \end{aligned}$$

σ^2_{ILEC} = Calculated variance for ILEC

n_{ILEC} = number of observations or samples used in ILEC measurement

n_{CLEC} = number of observations or samples used in CLEC measurement

For Measurement results that are expressed as Percentages or Proportions:

Step 1:

$$p_{\text{pooled}} = \frac{(n_{ILEC} P_{ILEC} + n_{CLEC} P_{CLEC})}{n_{ILEC} + n_{CLEC}}$$

Step 2:

$$\sigma_{P_{ILEC}-P_{CLEC}} = \text{SQRT} \left\{ \left[\frac{p(1-p)}{n_{ILEC}} \right] + \left[\frac{p(1-p)}{n_{CLEC}} \right] \right\}$$

Step 3:

$$Z = (P_{ILEC} - P_{CLEC}) / \sigma_{P_{ILEC}-P_{CLEC}}$$

Where: n = number of observations

P = Percentage or Proportion

For Measurement results that are expressed as Rates or Ratios:

$$Z = (\text{DIFF}) / \sigma_{\text{DIFF}}$$

Where: $\text{DIFF} = R_{ILEC} - R_{CLEC}$

$R_{ILEC} = \text{num}_{ILEC} / \text{denom}_{ILEC}$

$R_{CLEC} = \text{num}_{CLEC} / \text{denom}_{CLEC}$

$\sigma_{\text{DIFF}} = \text{SQRT} \left\{ \left[\frac{(\text{num}_{CLEC} + \text{num}_{ILEC})}{(\text{denom}_{CLEC} + \text{denom}_{ILEC})} \right] \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\text{denom}_{CLEC}} + \frac{1}{\text{denom}_{ILEC}} \right) \right\}$

4. Qualifications to use Z-Test:

4.1 The proposed Z-tests are applicable to reported measurements that contain 30 or more data points. The Z-test is not applied to measures with benchmark standards.

4.2 The minimum sample size for Tier 2 is 10 observations for the aggregate of all CLECs. Sub-measures in Tier 2 with fewer than 10 observations do not have statistical tests conducted on them.

4.3 In calculating the difference between the performances, the formulas defined above apply when a larger CLEC value indicates a higher quality of performance. In cases where a smaller CLEC value indicates a higher quality of performance the order of subtraction should be reversed (i.e., $M_{ILEC} - M_{CLEC}$, $P_{ILEC} - P_{CLEC}$, $R_{ILEC} - R_{CLEC}$).

4.4 For measurements where the performance delivered to the CLEC is compared to AT&T Illinois performance and for which the number of data points are 29 or less for either the CLEC or AT&T Illinois, AT&T Illinois will apply the following alternatives for compliance.

4.4.1 Alternative 1 (used only in the following situations: 1) for a measure where results for both the CLEC and AT&T Illinois Retail or affiliate (whichever is used) both show perfect compliance (no failures), and 2) where the individual transaction detail required to conduct permutation testing is not available):

AT&T Illinois applies the Z-Test as described in section 3.0.

4.4.2 Alternative 2 (used in all situations except those defined above for Alternative 1):

For Percentages, the Fisher Exact Permutation Test will be used.

For Averages and Ratios, the following Permutation analysis will be applied to calculate the Z-statistic using the following logic:

- (1) Choose a sufficiently large number T .
- (2) Pool and mix the CLEC and ILEC data sets.
- (3) Randomly subdivide the pooled data sets into two pools, one the same size as the original CLEC data set (n_{CLEC}) and one reflecting the remaining data points, (which is equal to the size of the original ILEC data set, or n_{ILEC}).
- (4) Compute and store the Z-test score (Z_s) for this sample.

- (5) Repeat steps 3 and 4 for the remaining T-1 sample pairs to be analyzed. (If the number of possibilities is less than 1 million, include a programmatic check to prevent drawing the same pair of samples more than once).
- (6) Order the Z_S results computed and stored in step 4 from lowest to highest.
- (7) Compute the Z-test score for the original two data sets and find its rank in the ordering determined in step 6.
- (8) To calculate P, divide the rank of the Z-test score as determined in step 7 by the number of total runs executed. ($P = \text{rank} / T$).
- (9) Using a cumulative standard normal distribution table, find the value Z_A such that the probability (or cumulative area under the standard normal curve) is equal to P calculated in step 8.

Compare Z_A with the Critical Z-value. If $Z_A >$ the Critical Z-value, then the performance is non-compliant.

- 4.5 AT&T Illinois and CLECs will provide software and technical support as needed by Commission Staff for purposes of statistical analysis. Any CLEC who opts into this plan agrees to share in providing such support to Commission Staff.

5. Overview of Enforcement Structure

AT&T Illinois agrees with the following methodology for developing the liquidated damages and penalty assessment structure for Tier 1 liquidated damages and Tier 2 assessments:

- 5.1 AT&T Illinois will pay Liquidated Damages to the CLEC according to the terms set forth in this document.
- 5.2 Liquidated damages apply to Tier 1 measurements identified as "Remedied" in the Measurement Type section of the performance measurement business rules documented in Appendix 1.
- 5.3 Assessments are applicable to Tier 2 measures identified as "Remedied" in the Measurement Type section of the performance measurement business rules documented in Appendix 1, and are payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission.
- 5.4 Any CLEC wishing to incorporate, substitute or add this Performance Remedy Plan to its existing interconnection agreement, or a new interconnection agreement, must notify AT&T Illinois and the Commission, in writing, of its intent to "opt-in" to a remedy plan. The CLECs "opt-in" becomes effective 20 days from the date of filing said written notice with the Commission, and it supersedes the Performance Remedy Plan previously in effect for that CLEC, if any. Payments shall be calculated in accordance with the Plan beginning with the first full calendar month following the effective date of the "opt-in". An opt-in shall be followed with an amendment to the Interconnection Agreement filed with the Commission. Any CLEC that adopts a remedy plan by purchasing out of a tariff must notify AT&T Illinois and the Commission, in writing, of its intent to adopt a tariffed remedy plan. Any notice required above shall be sent to AT&T Illinois' regulatory offices and the Chief Clerk's Office of the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 5.5 AT&T Illinois will be liable for the payment of Tier 2 assessments upon formal approval of this plan by the Commission in either a generic proceeding or by approving an Interconnection Agreement amendment referencing this plan. Tier 2 assessments will be paid on the aggregate performance for all CLECs that are operating in Illinois as specified in Section 9.0. To the extent that there are one or more other Commission-approved remedy plan(s) in effect that also require AT&T Illinois to make Tier 2 assessments to the State (as opposed to, or in addition to, Tier 1 payments to a CLEC or CLECs), AT&T Illinois will be liable for a single Tier 2 assessment for the applicable time period, which payment to the State shall be equal to either the Tier 2 assessment under such other plan(s) or the Tier 2 assessments payable under this plan, whichever is greater.
- 5.6 In order to receive payment by check CLEC must complete the CLEC Identification and Liquidated Damages Information Form located on the CLEC OnLine website (<https://clec.AT&T.com/clec>). Otherwise, remedy payment will be made via bill credit.

6. Procedural Safeguards and Exclusions

- 6.1 AT&T Illinois agrees that the application of the assessments and damages provided for herein is not intended to foreclose other non-contractual legal and regulatory claims and remedies that may be available to a CLEC. By incorporating these liquidated damages terms into an interconnection agreement and tariff, AT&T Illinois and

CLEC agree that proof of damages from any “noncompliant” performance measure would be difficult to ascertain and, therefore, liquidated damages are a reasonable approximation of any contractual damage resulting from a non-compliant performance measure. AT&T Illinois and CLEC further agree that liquidated damages payable under this provision are not intended to be a penalty.

- 6.2 AT&T Illinois’ agreement to implement these enforcement terms, and specifically its agreement to pay any “liquidated damages” or “assessments” hereunder, will not be considered as an admission against interest or an admission of liability in any legal, regulatory, or other proceeding relating to the same performance. AT&T Illinois and CLEC agree that CLEC may not use: (1) the existence of this enforcement plan; or (2) AT&T Illinois’ payment of Tier 1 “liquidated damages” or Tier 2 “assessments” as evidence that AT&T Illinois has discriminated in the provision of any facilities or services under Sections 251 or 252, or has violated any state or federal law or regulation. AT&T Illinois’ conduct underlying its performance measures, and the performance data provided under the performance measures, however, are not made inadmissible by these terms. Any CLEC accepting this performance remedy plan agrees that AT&T Illinois’ performance with respect to this remedy plan may not be used as an admission of liability or culpability for a violation of any state or federal law or regulation. Further, any liquidated damages payment by AT&T Illinois under these provisions is not hereby made inadmissible in any proceeding relating to the same conduct where AT&T Illinois seeks to offset the payment against any other damages a CLEC might recover. Whether or not the nature of damages sought by the CLEC is such that an offset is appropriate will be determined in the related proceeding. The terms of this paragraph do not apply to any proceeding before the Commission or the FCC to determine whether AT&T Illinois has met or continues to meet the requirements of section 271 of the Act.
- 6.3 AT&T Illinois shall not be liable for Tier 2 “assessments” under this remedy plan to the extent they are duplicative of any other assessments or sanctions under the Commission’s service quality rules relating to the same performance. This section does not limit the Commission’s ability to assess remedies, penalties or fines regarding such performance consistent with their lawful authority.
- 6.4 Every six months, CLEC may participate with AT&T Illinois, other CLECs, and Commission representatives to review the performance measures to determine (a) whether measurements should be added, deleted, or modified; (b) whether the applicable benchmark standards should be modified or replaced by parity standards, or vice versa; and (c) whether to move a classification of a measure, either Tier 1, Tier 2 or both, from Remedied to Diagnostic, or vice versa. Criteria for review of performance measures, other than for possible reclassification, shall be whether there exists an omission or failure to capture intended performance, and whether there is duplication of another measurement. Any changes to existing performance measures and this remedy plan shall be by mutual agreement of the parties and approval of the Commission. Should disputes occur regarding changes, additions and/or deletions to the performance measurements, the dispute shall be referred to the Commission for resolution. The current measurements and benchmarks will be in effect until modified hereunder through this review process or expiration of the interconnection agreement.
- 6.5 CLEC and AT&T Illinois will consult with one another and attempt in good faith to resolve any issues regarding the accuracy or integrity of data collected, generated, and reported pursuant to this document.
- 6.5.1 AT&T Illinois agrees to an audit of the performance measurements data collection, retention, transformation, result and remedy calculation, and result publication processes and systems. The audit shall commence sixteen months after completion of the performance measurement audit of the OSS Third Party Test conducted by KPMG (a/k/a BearingPoint) under Docket No. 98-0555. Subsequent to that initial audit, additional audits will be scheduled as deemed necessary by the Commission. CLECs and the Commission will have input into the design and schedule of the audit. An independent, third party auditor chosen by AT&T Illinois and approved by the Commission will conduct these audits at AT&T Illinois’ expense.
- 6.5.2 Mini Audits. In addition to an annual audit, CLEC may request mini-audits of individual performance measures/submeasures during the year. When a CLEC has reason to believe the data collected for that measure are flawed or the reporting criteria for the measure are not being adhered to, it can request that a mini-audit be performed on the specific measure/submeasure upon written request, which will include the designation of a CLEC representative to engage in discussions with AT&T Illinois about the requested mini-audit. If, thirty (30) days after the CLEC’s written request, the CLEC believes that the issues has not

been resolved to its satisfaction, the CLEC can commence the mini-audit, after providing AT&T Illinois with written notice five (5) days in advance. Each CLEC is limited to auditing three (3) single measures/submeasures during the audit year. The audit year shall commence with the start of the KPMG OSS test. Mini-audits may not be performed, conducted or requested while the OSS third-party test, or an Annual Audit, is being conducted. Mini-audits will be of all systems, processes and procedures associated with the production and reporting of performance measurement results for the audited measure/submeasure. Mini-audits will include two (2) months of data, and all parties agree that raw data supporting the performance measurement results will be made available, on a monthly basis, to the CLECs.

6.5.3 A third-party auditor will conduct the mini-audits. AT&T Illinois and the CLECs will jointly select the third-party auditor. If the parties cannot agree on the auditor, the auditors selected by each party will jointly determine the auditor. The responsibility for paying the costs of such audits shall be wholly dependent on the result of the audit. A CLEC initiating a mini-audit that finds no culpability or misfeasance on AT&T Illinois' part shall be fully responsible for bearing the cost of the mini-audit. In those instances where a CLEC requests a mini-audit which results in a finding that AT&T Illinois has materially misreported or misrepresented data, or, AT&T Illinois is found to have non-compliance procedures, AT&T Illinois shall bear responsibility for full payment of the costs of the mini-audit. AT&T Illinois is deemed to be materially at fault when a reported successful measure changes as a consequence of the audit to a missed measure, or, when there is an increase in the ranking of the measure as a result of the audit, i.e., from low to medium or from medium to high, as a result of a material misreport or misrepresentation. Each party to the mini-audit shall bear its own internal costs, regardless of which party ultimately bears the cost of the third-party auditor.

6.5.4 Each mini-audit shall be submitted to the CLEC involved and to the Commission as a proprietary document. AT&T Illinois shall notify all CLECs of any mini-audit requests, on a monthly basis, within forty-five (45) days of the date of a mini-audit request. All written notices pursuant to this provision include e-mail.

6.6 Pursuant to Commission Order in Docket No. 01-0662, the termination of this "Commission Approved Section 271 Plan" shall be addressed in a Commission proceeding, as set forth in the Order.

7. Exclusions Limited

7.1 AT&T Illinois shall not be obligated to pay for noncompliance with a performance measure, if, but only to the extent that, such noncompliance could not have been avoided by AT&T Illinois in the exercise of due diligence. AT&T Illinois shall not be excused from payment on any other grounds, except by application of the procedural threshold below. Any dispute regarding whether AT&T Illinois' performance failure is excused under this paragraph shall be resolved with the Commission through a dispute resolution proceeding under the Commission's Procedural Rules, or, if the parties consent, through commercial arbitration with the American Arbitration Association. AT&T Illinois shall have the burden of proof in any such proceeding to demonstrate that its noncompliance with the performance measurement should be excused because it could not have been avoided by AT&T Illinois in the exercise of due diligence. Section 7.1 only suspends AT&T Illinois' ability to timely perform an activity subject to performance measurement, the applicable time frame in which AT&T Illinois' compliance with the parity or benchmark criterion is measured shall be extended on an hour-for-hour or day-for-day basis, as applicable, equal to the duration of the excusing event. Upon commencement of the dispute resolution proceeding set forth above, AT&T Illinois shall place the liquidated damages and/or assessments in dispute in an interest-bearing escrow, to be held by a neutral third party. The outcome of the dispute resolution shall determine which party to that proceeding is entitled to the funds held in escrow, and the interest on those funds.

7.2 In addition to the provisions set forth herein, AT&T Illinois shall not be obligated to pay liquidated damages or assessments for noncompliance with a performance measure to the extent that such noncompliance was the result of an act or omission by a CLEC that is contrary to any of the CLEC's obligations under its interconnection agreement with AT&T Illinois or under the Act or Illinois law or tariff. An example of a potential act or omission could include, inter alia, unreasonably holding orders and/or applications and "dumping" such orders or

applications in unreasonably large batches, at or near the close of a business day, on a Friday evening or prior to a holiday.

- 7.3 In any event where AT&T Illinois believes there has been an act or omission by a CLEC that is contrary to any of the CLEC's obligations under its interconnection agreement with AT&T Illinois or under the Act or Illinois law or tariff and that has caused noncompliance with a performance measurement, and a dispute occurs, AT&T Illinois shall pay one-half of the Tier 1 remedies to the CLEC while disputes are referred to the Commission for resolution, subject to refund, including interest, if AT&T Illinois prevails. If AT&T Illinois does not prevail, the remaining one-half of the Tier 1 remedies will be paid, with interest, within 30 days of a final, non-appealable resolution by the Commission. AT&T Illinois shall pay Tier 2 remedies to the State Fund designated by the Commission after the disputes are resolved. AT&T Illinois will have the burden in any such proceeding to demonstrate that its noncompliance with the performance measurement is due to such acts or omissions by a CLEC.
- 7.4 AT&T Illinois and CLEC agree that a procedural annual threshold will apply to the aggregate total of any Tier 1 liquidated damages (including any such damages paid pursuant to this Agreement or to any other Illinois interconnection agreement with a CLEC) and Tier 2 assessments or voluntary payments made by AT&T Illinois pursuant to any Illinois interconnection agreement or tariff with a performance remedy plan for the calendar year. The annual threshold amounts will be determined by AT&T Illinois, based on the formula of 36% of Net Return as set forth at ¶ 436 and footnote 1332 of the FCC's December 22, 1999 Memorandum Opinion and Order in CC Docket No. 99-295. The annual threshold shall be re-calculated on the first business day of the calendar year when updated ARMIS data is made publicly available. For purposes of applying the threshold, the calendar year shall apply. Once the annual threshold is established, a maximum monthly threshold will be determined by dividing the amount of the annual threshold by twelve. CLEC further acknowledges that a maximum monthly threshold of one-twelfth of the annual threshold for Tier 1 liquidated damages and Tier 2 assessments will apply to all performance payments made by AT&T Illinois under all AT&T Illinois interconnection agreements and tariff. To the extent in any given month the monthly threshold is not reached, the subsequent month's total threshold will be increased by an amount equal to the unpaid portion of the previous month's threshold. At the end of the year, if the aggregate total of Tier 1 liquidated damages and Tier 2 assessments under all AT&T Illinois interconnection agreements and Performance Measurements and Remedy Plan tariff equals or exceeds the annual threshold, but AT&T Illinois has paid less than that amount due to the monthly threshold, AT&T Illinois shall be required to pay an amount equal to the difference between the annual threshold and the amount paid. In such event, Tier 1 liquidated damages shall be paid first on a pro rata basis to CLECs, and any remainder within the annual threshold shall be paid as a Tier 2 assessment. In the event the total calculated amount of damages and assessments for the year is less than the annual threshold, AT&T Illinois shall be obligated to pay ONLY the actual calculated amount of damages and assessments.
- 7.5 Whenever AT&T Illinois Tier 1 payments to an individual CLEC in a given month exceed 12.5% of the monthly threshold amount, or the Tier 1 payments to all CLECs in a given month exceed the monthly threshold, then AT&T Illinois may request a hearing before the Commission. Upon timely commencement of this proceeding, AT&T Illinois must pay one-half of the damages owed to the individual CLEC (subject to refund, including interest, if it prevails), and the balance of damages owed into escrow to be held by a third party pending the outcome of the hearing. To invoke these escrow provisions, AT&T Illinois must file with the Commission, not later than the due date of the affected damages payments, an application to show cause why it should not be required to pay any amount in excess of the threshold amount. AT&T Illinois' application will be processed in an expedited manner under the process set forth in the Procedural Rules. AT&T Illinois will have the burden of proof to demonstrate why, under the circumstances, it should not be required to pay liquidated damages in excess of the applicable threshold amount. If AT&T Illinois reports non-compliant performance to the CLEC for three consecutive months on 20% or more of the measures reported to the CLEC, but AT&T Illinois has incurred no more than 4.2% of the monthly threshold amount in liquidated damages obligations to the CLEC for that period under the enforcement terms set out here, then the CLEC may commence an expedited dispute resolution under this paragraph pursuant to the Commission's Procedural Rules to request that AT&T Illinois should have to pay an amount of damages in excess of the amount calculated under these enforcement terms. In any such proceeding the CLEC will have the burden of proof to demonstrate why AT&T Illinois should have to pay any amount of damages in excess of the amount calculated under these enforcement terms.

- 7.6 AT&T Illinois' Tier 1 remedy liability to any individual CLEC in any month will not exceed (will be capped at) the total billed revenue due AT&T Illinois for services provided to the CLEC in the same month for which the remedy liability was incurred.
- 7.7 AT&T Illinois will post on its Internet website the aggregate payments of any liquidated damages or assessments paid during the current calendar year.
- 7.8 With respect to any interconnection agreement, AT&T Illinois or any CLEC may request an expedited dispute resolution proceeding before the Commission pursuant to sections 7.4 and 7.5 above.
8. Tier 1 Damages Payable to CLECs:
- 8.1 Tier 1 liquidated damages apply to measures designated in Appendix 1 as Remedied when AT&T Illinois delivers "non-compliant" performance as defined in Section 3 above.
- 8.2 Liquidated damages in the amount specified in TABLE 1: Per Occurrence Liquidated Damage Amount Index Table below apply to all "non-compliant" sub-measures subject to remedies. Liquidated damages apply on a per occurrence basis, using the amount per occurrence taken from the table below, based on the number of consecutive months for which AT&T Illinois has reported noncompliance for the sub-measure and on the overall percentage of sub-measures subject to remedies for which AT&T Illinois met or exceeded the performance standard. For those measures listed in Attachment 2 to Appendix 1 as "Measurements That Are Subject to Per Occurrence Damages or Assessments With a Cap," the amount of liquidated damages in a single month for a disaggregation category shall not exceed the amount listed in TABLE 2: Per Measure/Cap Liquidated Damage Amount Index Table. For those measures listed in Attachment 2 to Appendix 1 as "Measurements That Are Subject to Per Measure Damages or Assessments," liquidated damages will apply on a per disaggregation category basis, at the amounts set forth in the TABLE 2: Per Measure/Cap Liquidated Damage Amount Index Table below. The methodology for determining the number of occurrences is addressed in "Methods of Calculating Liquidated Damages and Assessment Amounts," below.
- 8.3 TABLE 1 and TABLE 2 utilize an Index Value ("IV") that establishes the single level of liquidated damages assessment amount to be paid to all CLECs participating in the Plan in the case of a failure to meet or exceed a performance standard. This Index Value is uniquely established for each month's results based on the overall performance AT&T Illinois provided to the CLECs as a whole on remedied sub-measures. The IV is calculated by (1) determining the number of reported sub-measure results subject to remedies for which performance met or exceeded the standard of comparison; (2) determining the total number of reported sub-measures subject to remedies; and (3) dividing (1) by (2) and multiplying by 100. The number of sub-measures is intended to reflect all CLEC activity within the state that is subject to remedy as defined in the performance measurement user guide. More specifically, a sub-measure is defined as a fully disaggregated (e.g. by product, by geography, by CLEC) performance measurement result. For determining the IV, the denominator is the total number of sub-measures reported, across all CLECs with activity, that are subject to liquidated damages remedy payments payable to CLECs or assessments payable to the State are included. This formula is provided below.
- $$IV = (RSM_{passed} \div RSM_{total}) \times 100$$
- Where
- RSM_{passed} = Total number of Remedied Sub-Measure results where performance met or exceeded the standard of comparison
- RSM_{total} = Total count of Remedied Sub-Measure results
- 8.4 Upon completion of each twelve-month period of performance reporting under this plan beginning June 2003, performance for the previous twelve months in total shall be calculated in the same fashion as defined in Section 8.3. Should the IV result calculated for that entire twelve-month period, by averaging the individual month's IV values, not meet or exceed 92%, the liquidated damages remedy amounts applicable in Tables 1 and 2 will step back to the previous level for the next twelve months, unless the level of payments is already at the highest payment schedule whereby it would remain at that level for the next twelve months.
- 8.5 Nothing herein precludes AT&T Illinois and a CLEC from agreeing, in a negotiated amendment to the interconnection agreement, to the language of AT&T Illinois' original proposal as it relates to the inclusion of "floors and ceilings" for the determination of a performance shortfall.

- 8.6 Following at least two consecutive months of non-compliance for a given sub-measure, liquidated damages will be subject to a “proof of compliance” period for that individual metric. This process will require AT&T Illinois to return to compliance for a specified number of months, based on the number of consecutive months non-compliant performance, before the liquidated damages amount is reduced to the lowest, or single month of non-compliance, level. For example, if AT&T Illinois was out of compliance for four consecutive months for a given performance measurement reported for a specific CLEC, AT&T Illinois will have to provide this CLEC three consecutive months of compliant performance for this same submeasure before it can begin paying the “Month 1” liquidated damage amount.
- 8.7 During this “proof of compliance” period, AT&T Illinois will make liquidated damages payments *only* for those months during which the performance result for a specific sub-measure is determined to be “non-compliant” for a CLEC. This remedy payment amount will return to the lowest level of payment when AT&T Illinois provides “compliant” performance for the number of consecutive months identified in TABLE 4: “Step-Down” Table Of Liquidated Damages For Tier 1 Measures where the payment amount is “Month One Amount”. Until the performance result has met or exceeded the standard of comparison for three consecutive months, liquidated damages amounts will be determined using the number of months defined in Table 4.
- 8.8 AT&T Illinois is obligated to correctly and completely report performance results for CLEC and the aggregate of all CLECs. On occasion, it may be necessary for AT&T Illinois to restate previously published performance results to comply with this obligation where the originally published results were materially different from actual performance. AT&T Illinois will provide notice, via the CLEC OnLine web site, to CLEC and the Commission of each restatement, indicating the performance measurements restated, which months’ performance the measurements were restated for, and why the restatement was necessary.
- 8.9 In the event that performance measurement results need to be restated, AT&T Illinois will restate those results as soon as possible for a period not to exceed the three months prior to the month for which results have most recently been reported at time of the restatement. In a case where restatement is required to address an audit finding, the restatement will be applied for the period of time necessary to resolve the finding.
- 8.10 If it is determined through restatement of performance results or other means that AT&T Illinois underpaid liquidated damages due a CLEC, or assessments due the State, AT&T Illinois will make additional payment/bill credit to the CLEC and/or payments to the State to the extent that it underpaid. All underpayments will be credited with interest. Beginning October 1, 2003, in the event that determination is made through restatement of performance results or other means that AT&T Illinois overpaid, current and/or future monthly liquidated damages remedy payments/bill credits to CLEC and/or assessments to the State will be offset by the amount of overage.
- 8.11 AT&T Illinois shall be able to apply any liquidated damages remedy payments due toward those charges that the CLEC owes AT&T Illinois for services rendered (or facilities provided) so long as such charges are undisputed and are past due for not less than 90 days.
- 8.12 If performance for any sub-measure fails to meet the standard of performance (parity or benchmark) defined in Appendix 1 for three consecutive months, AT&T Illinois will, at request of the CLEC, initiate a “gap closure” effort. The “gap closure” effort will (1) identify the root cause for the failure to meet the performance standard, and (2) develop an action plan to improve performance to a level where it is meeting the standard of performance. Documentation of the root cause and the action plan to address it will be provided to the CLEC requesting “gap closure” within 30 days of CLEC request. If requesting CLEC assesses the action plan as inadequate, the issue will be escalated to senior management responsible for the CLEC account and the operational area(s) impacted. A response will be provided to CLEC senior management within 10 business days of receipt of the escalation from the CLEC.

TABLE 1: Per Occurrence Liquidated Damage Amount Index Table						
Index Value (“IV”)	Consecutive Months Missed					
	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six or More
Effective Beginning With The First Month’s Results Reported Under This Plan Through The Twelfth Month’s Results Reported Under This Plan						
IV >= 92.0%	\$35	\$50	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400

86.0% <= IV < 92.0%	\$50	\$70	\$125	\$250	\$350	\$450
80.0% <= IV < 86.0%	\$75	\$90	\$150	\$300	\$400	\$500
74.0% <= IV < 80.0%	\$100	\$125	\$250	\$500	\$600	\$700
IV < 74%	\$150	\$175	\$350	\$700	\$800	\$900
Effective Beginning With The Thirteenth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan Through The Twenty-Fourth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan						
IV >= 92.0%	\$30	\$55	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400
86.0% <= IV < 92.0%	\$40	\$65	\$125	\$250	\$350	\$450
80.0% <= IV < 86.0%	\$50	\$80	\$150	\$300	\$400	\$500
74.0% <= IV < 80.0%	\$100	\$125	\$250	\$500	\$600	\$700
IV < 74%	\$150	\$175	\$350	\$700	\$800	\$900
Effective Beginning With The Twenty-Fifth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan						
IV >= 92.0%	\$25	\$50	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400
86.0% <= IV < 92.0%	\$35	\$60	\$125	\$250	\$350	\$450
80.0% <= IV < 86.0%	\$50	\$75	\$150	\$300	\$400	\$500
74.0% <= IV < 80.0%	\$100	\$125	\$250	\$500	\$600	\$700
IV < 74%	\$150	\$175	\$350	\$700	\$800	\$900

TABLE 2: Per Measure/Cap Liquidated Damage Amount Index Table

Index Value ("IV")	Consecutive Months Missed					
	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six or More
Effective Beginning With The First Month's Results Reported Under This Plan Through The Twelfth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan						
IV >= 92.0%	\$9,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$30,000
86.0% <= IV < 92.0%	\$12,500	\$20,000	\$22,500	\$30,000	\$37,500	\$45,000
80.0% <= IV < 86.0%	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$60,000
74.0% <= IV < 80.0%	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$45,000	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$90,000
IV < 74%	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$125,000	\$150,000
Effective Beginning With The Thirteenth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan Through The Twenty-Fourth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan						
IV >= 92.0%	\$7,500	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$30,000
86.0% <= IV < 92.0%	\$10,000	\$17,500	\$22,500	\$30,000	\$37,500	\$45,000
80.0% <= IV < 86.0%	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$60,000
74.0% <= IV < 80.0%	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$45,000	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$90,000
IV < 74%	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$125,000	\$150,000
Effective Beginning With The Twenty-Fifth Month's Results Reported Under This Plan						
IV >= 92.0%	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$30,000
86.0% <= IV < 92.0%	\$7,500	\$15,000	\$22,500	\$30,000	\$37,500	\$45,000
80.0% <= IV < 86.0%	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$60,000
74.0% <= IV < 80.0%	\$15,000	\$30,000	\$45,000	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$90,000
IV < 74%	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$125,000	\$150,000

TABLE 3: Assessment Amounts For Tier 2 Measures

Per Occurrence	\$200
Per Measure / Cap*	\$20,000

TABLE 4: "Step-Down" Table Of Liquidated Damages For Tier 1 Measures

Consecutive Months Compliant Performance Before Subsequent Non-Compliant Month	Consecutive Months Non-Compliant Performance Prior to First Month of Compliant Performance			
	Three Months	Four Months	Five Months	Six Months or More

Per Occurrence and Per Measure/Cap				
One Month	Month Two Amount	Month Three Amount	Month Four Amount	Month Five Amount
Two Months	Month One Amount	Month Two Amount	Month Two Amount	Month Three Amount
Three Months or More	Month One Amount	Month One Amount	Month One Amount	Month One Amount

8.13 Example Application of "Step-Down" Table

Assume a measurement result is deemed non-compliant for four consecutive months. Performance is then deemed compliant with the measurement standard in the fifth month. Further assume that in the sixth month performance is again deemed non-compliant, resulting in four consecutive months missed, followed by one month (month five) met and the next month (month six) missed. Using Table 4 above, remedies for performance in month six would be at the level of three consecutive months missed. This can be confirmed by looking at the column for "Consecutive Months Non-Compliant Performance Prior to First Month of Complaint Performance", or the "Four Months" column in this example, then looking at the row for "Consecutive Months Complaint Performance Before Subsequent Non-Compliant Month", or the "One Month" row in this example. The intersecting cell indicates that remedies would be paid at the "Month Three Amount", or the level corresponding to three consecutive months misses for the measure from Table 1 or Table 2 (as applicable to the specific measure).

9. Tier 2 Assessments to the State:

9.1 Assessments payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission apply to the Tier 2 measures designated in Appendix 1 as "Remedied" when AT&T Illinois and/or its affiliate (whichever is better, provided the affiliate data points equal or exceed 30) performance is out of parity or does not meet the benchmarks for the aggregate of all CLEC data. Specifically, if the Z-test value is greater than the Critical Z, the performance for the reporting category is out of parity or below standard. Assessments will be paid when the aggregate of all CLECs has at least 10 observations.

9.2 For those measurements where a per occurrence assessment applies, an assessment as specified in TABLE 3: Assessment Amounts for Tier 2 Measures shown above for each occurrence is payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission for each sub-measure that exceeds the Critical Z-value for three consecutive months. For those measurements listed in Attachment 2 to Appendix 1 as measurements subject to per occurrence with a cap, an assessment as shown in TABLE 3: Assessment Amounts for Tier 2 Measures shown above for each occurrence within the applicable cap is payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission for each sub-measure that exceeds the Critical Z-value for three consecutive months. For those Tier 2 measurements listed in Attachment 2 to Appendix 1 as subject to a per measurement assessment, an assessment amount as shown in TABLE 3: Assessment Amounts for Tier 2 Measures shown above is payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission for each sub-measure that exceeds the Critical Z-value for three consecutive months.

10. Posting of Results and Provision of Liquidated Damages and Assessment Payments:

10.1 If AT&T Illinois fails to submit performance reports by the last business day of the month following actual performance, the following assessments payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission apply unless excused for good cause by the Commission:

- If no reports are filed, \$5,000 per day past due;
- If incomplete reports are filed, \$1,000 per day for each performance measurement listed in the User Guide for which results are not posted, but not to exceed \$5,000 per day past due.

10.2 If AT&T Illinois alters previously reported data for a CLEC, and after discussions with AT&T Illinois the CLEC disputes such alterations, then the CLEC may ask the Commission to review the submissions and the Commission may take appropriate action. This does not apply to the limitation stated under the section titled "Exclusions Limited."

10.3 When AT&T Illinois' performance creates an obligation to pay liquidated damages to a CLEC or an assessment to the State under the terms set forth herein, AT&T Illinois shall make payment by check, bill credit or other direct payment method in the required amount on or before the last business day of the month following the due

date of the performance measurement report for the month in which the obligation arose (e.g., if AT&T Illinois' performance through March is such that AT&T Illinois owes liquidated damages to CLECs for March performance, or assessments to the State for January – March performance, then those payments will be due the last business day of May, the last business day of the month following the month (April) in which results were posted). (In order to receive payment by check CLEC must complete the CLEC identification and liquidated damages Information Form located on the CLEC website.) For each day after the due date that AT&T Illinois fails to pay the required amount, AT&T Illinois will pay interest to the CLEC at the maximum rate permitted by law for a past due liquidated damages obligation and will pay an additional \$3,000 per day to the State Fund designated by the Commission for a past due assessment.

10.4 AT&T Illinois may not withhold payment of liquidated damages to a CLEC unless AT&T Illinois has commenced a Commission arbitration proceeding on or before the payment due date, asserting that noncompliance was the result of an act or omission by a CLEC as more fully described in Section 7.2 and 7.3.

10.5 CLEC will have access to monthly reports on performance measures and business rules through an Internet website that includes performance results for individual CLECs, the aggregate of all CLECs, and AT&T Illinois.

10.6 The thresholds more fully described in Section 7.4. do not apply to assessments under Section 10 of this document.

11. Methods of Calculating Liquidated Damages and Assessment Amounts

The following methods apply in calculating per occurrence liquidated damage and assessments:

11.1 Calculating Tier 1 Liquidated Damages

11.1.1 Measures for Which the Reporting Dimensions are Averages or Means

Step 1: Calculate the average or the mean for the sub-measure for the CLEC that would yield the Critical Z-value. Use the same denominator as the one used in calculating the Z-statistic for the sub-measure. (There are no Critical Z-values calculated for Benchmark measures.)

Step 2: Calculate the percentage difference between the actual average and the calculated average. For benchmark measures or floors (for measures that have floors and the floor applies to the result), calculate the percentage difference between the actual average and the benchmark. This percentage is capped at 100%.

Step 3: Multiply the total number of data points by the percentage calculated in the previous step and round this number up to the next integer. Then multiply the result by the per occurrence dollar amount taken from the Liquidated Damages Table for Tier 1 Measures to determine the applicable liquidated damages for the given month for that sub-measure.

11.1.2 Measures for Which the Reporting Dimensions are Percentages

Step 1: Calculate the percentage for the sub-measure for the CLEC that would yield the Critical Z-value. Use the same denominator as the one used in calculating the Z-statistic for the sub-measure. (There are no Critical Z-values calculated for Benchmark measures.)

Step 2: Calculate the difference between the actual percentage for the CLEC and the calculated percentage. For benchmark measures or floors (for measures that have floors and the floor applies to the result), calculate the difference between the actual percentage and the benchmark.

Step 3: Multiply the total number of data points by the difference in percentage calculated in the previous step and then round this number up to the next integer. Then multiply the result by the per occurrence dollar amount taken from the Liquidated Damages Table to determine the applicable liquidated damages for the given month for that sub-measure.

11.1.3 Measures for Which the Reporting Dimensions are Ratios or Rates

Step 1: Calculate the ratio for the sub-measure for the CLEC that would yield the Critical Z-value. Use the same denominator as the one used in calculating the Z-statistic for the sub-measure. (There are no Critical Z-values calculated for Benchmark measures.)

Step 2: Calculate the difference between the actual ratio for the CLEC and the calculated ratio. For benchmark measures or floors (for measures that have floors and the floor applies to the result)

calculate the difference between the actual ratio and the benchmark. This difference is capped at 100%.

Step 3: Multiply the total number of data points by the percentage calculated in the previous step and then round this number up to the nearest integer. Then multiply the result by the per occurrence dollar amount taken from the Liquidated Damages Table for Tier 1 Measures to determine the applicable liquidated damages for the given month for that sub-measure.

11.2 Calculating Tier 2 Assessments

11.2.1 Determine the Tier 2 measurement results that are non-compliant for three consecutive months for the aggregate of all CLECs. If the non-compliant classification continues for three consecutive months, an additional assessment will apply in the third month and in each succeeding month as calculated below, until AT&T Illinois reports performance that meets the applicable criterion. That is, Tier 2 assessments will apply on a "rolling three month" basis, one assessment for the average number of occurrences for months 1-3, one assessment for the average number of occurrences for months 2-4, one assessment for the average number of occurrences for months 3-5, and so forth, until satisfactory performance is established.

11.2.2 Measures for Which the Reporting Dimensions are Averages or Means

Step 1: Calculate the average or the mean for the sub-measure for the CLECs that would yield the Critical Z-value for each of the three non-compliant months. Use the same denominator as the one used in calculating the Z-statistic for the sub-measure. (There are no Critical Z-values calculated for Benchmark measures.)

Step 2: Calculate the percentage difference between the actual average and the calculated average for each of the three non-compliant months. For benchmark measures, calculate the percentage difference between the actual average and the benchmark for each of the three non-compliant months. This percentage is capped at 100%.

Step 3: Multiply the total number of data points for each month by the percentage calculated in the previous step. Calculate the average for three months of these numbers rounding up the result to the next highest integer. Then multiply the result by the per occurrence dollar amount specified in the Assessment Table for Tier 2 Measures to determine the applicable assessment payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission for that sub-measure.

11.2.3 Measures for Which the Reporting Dimensions are Percentages

Step 1: Calculate the percentage for the sub-measure for the CLECs that would yield the Critical Z-value for each of the three non-compliant months. Use the same denominator as the one used in calculating the Z-statistic for the sub-measure. (There are no Critical Z-values calculated for Benchmark measures.)

Step 2: Calculate the difference between the actual percentage for the CLECs and the calculated percentage for each of the three non-compliant months. For benchmark measures, calculate the difference between the actual percentage and the benchmark for the three non-compliant months.

Step 3: Multiply the total number of data points for each month by the difference in percentage calculated in the previous step. Calculate the average for three months of these numbers rounding up the result to the next highest integer. Then multiply the result by the per occurrence dollar amount specified in the Assessment Table for Tier 2 Measures to determine the applicable assessment payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission for that sub-measure.

11.2.4 Measures for Which the Reporting Dimensions are Ratios or Rates

Step 1: Calculate the ratio for the sub-measure for the CLECs that would yield the Critical Z-value for each of the three non-compliant months. Use the same denominator as the one used in calculating the Z-statistic for the sub-measure. (There are no Critical Z-values calculated for Benchmark measures.)

Step 2: Calculate the difference between the actual ratio for the CLECs and the calculated ratio for each month of the non-compliant three-month period. For benchmark measures calculate the

difference between the actual ratio and the benchmark for the three non-compliant months. This difference is capped at 100%.

Step 3: Multiply the total number of service orders by the percentage calculated in the previous step for each month. Calculate the average for three months of these numbers rounding up the result to the next highest integer. Then multiply the result by the per occurrence dollar amount specified in the Assessment Table for Tier 2 Measures to determine the applicable assessment payable to the State Fund designated by the Commission for that sub-measure.

12. Advanced and Nascent Services:

12.1 In order to ensure parity and benchmark performance where CLECs order low volumes of advanced and nascent services, AT&T Illinois will make increased voluntary payments to the State Fund designated by the Commission on those measurements listed in section 12.3 below (the "Qualifying Measurements"). Such increased voluntary payments will only apply when there are more than 10 and less than 100 observations for a Qualifying Measurement on average statewide for a three-month period with respect to the following order categories:

12.2 The following are the qualifying sub-measures (if within a qualifying measurement):

- UNE loop and port combinations;
- resold ISDN;
- ISDN UNE loop and port combinations;
- BRI loop with test access; and
- DSL loops.

12.3 The Qualifying Measurements are as follows:

Provisioning Measurements:

- PMs 29, 45, 58 – Percent AT&T Illinois Caused Missed Due Dates
- PMs 35, 46, 59 – Installation Trouble Reports Within "X" Days
- PMs 27, 43, 56 – Mean Installation Interval
- PMs 32, 49, 62 – Average Delay Days for AT&T Illinois Caused Missed Due Dates
- PM 55.1 – Average Installation Interval – DSL
- PM 1.1 – Average Response Time for Loop Qualification Information

Maintenance Measurements:

- PMs 38, 66 – % Missed Repair Commitments
- PMs 41, 53, 69 – % Repeat Reports
- PMs 39, 52, 67 – Mean Time to Restore
- PMs 37.1, 54.1, 65.1 – Trouble Report Rate

12.4 The increased voluntary payments referenced in section 12.1 will be made only if AT&T Illinois fails to provide parity or benchmark service for the above measurements as determined by the use (where appropriate) of the Modified Z-test and a Critical Z-value for either:

- 3 consecutive months; or
- 6 months or more in a calendar year.

12.5 The increased voluntary payments will only be calculated on the rolling average of occurrences or measurements, as appropriate, where AT&T Illinois has failed to provide parity or benchmark performance for 3 consecutive months. If AT&T Illinois fails to provide parity or benchmark performance in Illinois for 6 or more months in a calendar year, the increased voluntary payments will be calculated as if all such months were missed consecutively.

12.6 If, for the three months that are utilized to calculate the rolling average, there were 100 observations or more on average for the qualifying measurement or sub-measurement, then no increased voluntary payments will be made to the State Fund designated by the Commission. However, if during this same time frame there either is

(i) an average of more than 10 but less than 100 observations for a qualifying sub-measure on a statewide basis or (ii) an average of more than 10 but less than 100 for a non-qualifying sub-measure within a qualifying measure where the measure's average is more than 10 but less than 100 observations, then AT&T Illinois shall calculate the payments to be made in addition to the normal payment to the State Fund designated by the Commission by first applying the normal Tier 2 assessment calculation methodology to that qualifying measurement, and then doubling (multiplying by 2) that amount. The effect of this calculation results in total payment being made at three times the normal amount alone.

12.7 Any payments made hereunder shall be subject to the annual threshold set forth in Section 7.4.

13. Attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference, are the following Appendices:

Appendix 1: Performance Measurement Business Rules (Illinois)

In the event of any inconsistency between Appendix 1, Attachment 2 to Appendix 1, and this performance remedy plan, this performance remedy plan shall supercede and control.

APPENDIX 1

Performance Measurement Business Rules (Illinois)

The Performance Measurement Business Rules are found in SBC Illinois' tariff at Ill. C. C. Appendix One is in Illinois, Tariff No. 20, Part 2, Section 11, beginning on Sheet 62.

**AMENDMENT TO
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a AT&T ILLINOIS
AND
MADISON RIVER COMMUNICATIONS LLC**

This Amendment amends the Interconnection Agreement by and between Illinois Bell Telephone Company¹ d/b/a AT&T Illinois ("AT&T Illinois") and Madison River Communications LLC ("CLEC"). AT&T and CLEC are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party". This Amendment applies in AT&T's service territory in the State of Illinois.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, AT&T and CLEC are Parties to an Interconnection Agreement (the Agreement) under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), approved 12/6/2006 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, AT&T, members of the CLEC community and representatives of the state Commission staffs for Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin recently participated in a Six Month Review for the purpose of determining whether to modify the current Commission-approved/ordered Performance Measures and Remedies Plan (the "Plan") for the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin ("Six Month Review"); and

WHEREAS, that Six Month Review resulted in agreed upon changes to the Plan submitted to the state Commission for approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252(a)(1) of the Act, the Parties wish to amend the Agreement to implement the Six Month Review Plan by updating the existing performance measures and remedies provisions of the Agreement as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. The Parties agree that the Agreement should be amended by replacing the existing performance measures and remedies provisions of the underlying Agreement with the new Appendix Performance Measurements attached hereto.
2. Conflict between this Amendment and the Agreement. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and provisions of the Agreement only to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and provisions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and provisions of this Amendment and the terms and provisions of the Agreement this Amendment shall govern, *provided, however*, that the fact that a term or provision appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this paragraph 2.
3. Scope of Amendment. This Amendment shall amend, modify and revise the Agreement only to the extent set forth expressly in paragraph 1 of this Amendment. Nothing in this Amendment shall be deemed to amend or extend the term of the Agreement, or to affect the right of a Party to exercise any right of termination it may have under the Agreement. Nothing in this Amendment shall affect the general application and effectiveness of the Agreement's "change of law", "intervening law", "successor rates" and/or any similarly purposed provisions.
4. This Amendment may require that certain sections of the Agreement shall be replaced and/or modified by the provisions set forth in this Amendment. The Parties agree that such replacement and/or modification shall be accomplished without the necessity of physically removing and replacing or modifying such language throughout the Agreement.

¹ Illinois Bell Telephone Company (previously referred to as "Illinois Bell" or "SBC Illinois") now operates under the name "AT&T Illinois" pursuant to an assumed name filing with the State of Illinois.

5. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Amendment shall be filed with, and is subject to approval by the Commission and shall become effective ten (10) days following approval by such Commission (the "Amendment Effective Date"). Provided however, the revised performance measures and remedies of the new Appendix Performance Measurements shall be implemented as of December 1, 2007 for performance beginning with December 2007 results.
6. Reservation of Rights. In entering into this Amendment, neither Party waives, and each Party expressly reserves, any rights, remedies or arguments it may have at law or under the intervening law or regulatory change provisions in the underlying Agreement (including intervening law rights asserted by either Party via written notice predating this Amendment) with respect to any orders, decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further review.

Madison River Communications LLC

By: Jeffrey S. Glover

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Date: 4-4-08

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by AT&T Operations, Inc., its authorized agent

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APPENDIX PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** means the AT&T ILECs as identified in the General Terms and Conditions operating in the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. The performance measurements and remedy plan referenced herein, notwithstanding any provisions in any other appendix in this Agreement, are not intended to create, modify or otherwise affect Parties' rights and obligations. The existence of any particular performance measure, or the language describing that measure, is not evidence that CLEC is entitled to any particular manner of access, nor is it evidence that **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** is limited to providing any particular manner of access. The Parties' rights and obligations to such access are defined elsewhere, including the relevant laws, FCC and state Commission decisions/regulations, tariffs, and within this interconnection agreement.
- 1.2 **Performance Measurements** means the set of performance measurements approved by the specific State Commission in the state-specific proceeding(s) listed in Section 1.8 below. The first set of measurements effective under this agreement is that first submitted in the proceeding listed in Section 1.8 below after October 15, 2007. For purposes of implementation, such measures shall be effective as of December 1, 2007 for performance beginning with December 2007 results.
- 1.3 **AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan** means the first remedy plan filed for State Commission review and approved in the state-specific proceeding listed in Section 1.8 below on or after October 15, 2007. For purposes of implementation, that remedy plan shall be effective as of December 1, 2007 for performance beginning with December 2007 results.
- 1.4 Any subsequent Commission-approved additions, modifications and/or deletions to the Performance Measurements, shall be automatically incorporated into this Agreement by reference in the first full month following the effective date of the Commission's order, or as otherwise agreed-to by the Parties.
- 1.5 Any future Commission-ordered additions, modifications and/or deletions to the AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan (and its supporting documents) in the proceedings or under the Rule as listed in Section 1.8 below, or any successor proceeding or Rule, to which no Party has objected, shall be automatically incorporated into this Interconnection Agreement by reference in the first full month following the effective data of the Commission's order, or as otherwise agreed by the Parties.
- 1.6 **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** agreement to implement this Performance Measurements Plan will not be considered as an admission against interest or an admission of liability in any legal, regulatory, or other proceeding relating to the same performance. **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** and CLEC agree that CLEC may not use the existence of this Plan as evidence that **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** has discriminated in the provision of any facilities or services under Sections 251 or 252, or has violated any state or federal law or regulation. **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** conduct underlying its performance measures, and the performance data provided under the performance measures, however, are not made inadmissible by these terms. Any CLEC accepting this performance measurements plan agrees that **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** performance with respect to this plan may not be used as an admission of liability or culpability for a violation of any state or federal law or regulation.
- 1.7 Nothing herein shall be interpreted to be a waiver of **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** right to argue and contend in any forum, in the future, that sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 impose no duty or legal obligation to negotiate and/or mediate or arbitrate a self-executing liquidated damages and remedy plan.
- 1.8 Sources of Commission authority over Performance Measures and/or the AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan:
 - Illinois – 83 IL. Administrative Code Part 731
 - Indiana – Cause No. 41657
 - Michigan – Case No. U-11830
 - Ohio – Case No. 00-942-TP-COI

- Wisconsin – 6720-TI-198 (Performance Measurements only)
 - Wisconsin – AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan as approved by the Commission in CLEC-specific ICA
- 1.9 Provisions of this Performance Measurements Appendix will terminate in accordance with Section 6.5 (Section 6.6 for Illinois) of the AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan.