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### Overview

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 requires Local Exchange Carriers (LECs) to offer unbundled network elements. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) recognized three methods of entry into the local exchange marketplace:

- Unbundled Network Elements
- Facility Based - refer to CLEC Billing - Facilities
- Availability of LEC's retail services at resale rates - refer to CLEC Billing - Resale

The Network elements offered but not limited to on an unbundled basis are:

- Local Loop
- Port
- Network Interface Device (NID)
- Switching Capability (includes Local Switching Capability and Tandem Switching Capability)
- Interoffice Transmission Facilities
- Signaling Networks and Call Related Databases
- Operations Support Systems Functions
- Operator Services and Directory Assistance

A Local Wholesale Carrier may purchase unbundled and/or rebundled Network elements in place of or to augment its own facilities. Only Local Wholesale Customers who have been certified by the Public Utility Commission in California and/or Nevada as a facility-based Carrier to provide local exchange services may purchase unbundled network elements.

Access tariff, F.C.C. No. 128 defines 'customer(s)' as '... any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust corporation, or governmental entity which subscribes to the services offered (in the Pacific Bell Access tariffs) including both Interexchange Carrier (IC) and End User.'

Access service lets CLECs connect to the network of a Local Exchange Company (LEC) so that they can transmit calls or data across a Local Access Transport Area (LATA) boundary. There are two categories of Access Service:

- Switched Access
- Special Access

### Bill Processing

#### Carrier Access Billing System (CABS)

The Carrier Access Billing System (CABS) is a computer-based system designed for billing customers who order services from the Federal and State Access tariffs. Most Switched and Special Access services are billed through CABS.

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### Advance Payments and Deposits

#### Advance Payments

It is Pacific Bell's policy to collect payment in advance for non-recurring charges associated with installations, additions, moves, and changes of products, services, and features when:

- A CLEC either has not established credit with Pacific Bell
- A CLEC has established a history of late payments to Pacific Bell

#### Deposits

According to the Access tariffs, a deposit amount deemed sufficient by Pacific Bell to secure the bill in the event of non-payment may be required along with the advance payment.

Tariff References

Tariff F.C.C. 128, 2.4.1 (A)

Schedule Cal.P.U.C. 175-T, 2.4.1 (A)

#### Interest on Deposits

Pacific Bell pays simple interest on deposits at the rate of 1.5 percent per month (18% per year). The interest is prorated daily, for the life of a deposit. The interest is applied to the deposit amount through the bill preparation date of the bill. At this time the matured deposit and interest credit is applied.

#### Deposit Amount

For Pacific Bell the deposit required for a CLEC not operating as a Local Service Provider in an SBC state, the initial deposit will be in the amount of \$17,000.

Or if a CLEC is operating as a Local Service Provider in an SBC state, the amount of the deposit will be calculated in an amount equal to the average billing to the CLEC for a two to four month period.

#### Late Payment Charge (LPC)

A Late Payment Charge (LPC) is a charge that the Regulatory Commissions approved to encourage CLECs to pay their bills on time. It is not a finance or an interest charge. The amount of LPC that we bill to a CLEC is a percentage of any unpaid balance carried forward to the CLEC's current bill. The percentage charged is 1.5% per month or portion thereof, from the due date until payment is received.

The amount of the LPC changes based on the amount of the unpaid balance.

The LPC rate applied to an unpaid balance is

- 1.5% (.015) per month or,
- .05% (.0005) per day

#### Tariff References

The references for the information in this chapter are

- Tariff F.C.C. 128, Section 2.4.1
- Schedule Cal P.U.C. 175T, Section 2.4.1
- 1994 Cellular Interconnection Agreement
- 1994 Paging and Mobile Interconnection Agreement
- 1997 Cellular Interconnection Agreement

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### CABS Late Payment Charge Computation

CABS applies a daily factor of .00050 to any unpaid balance for each day it is outstanding. The formula is:

Balance (\$) X days X .00050 = LPC.

CABS maintains two balances for applying LPC:

- Current Balance, which is the unpaid current charges from the previous bill brought forward to the current bill, **and**
- Cumulative Balance, which is the unpaid balance brought forward to the previous bill.

CABS computes the LPC on the:

- Current Balance from the day after the 'due by date' specified on the bill through the bill preparation date of the current bill.
- Cumulative Balance from the day after bill preparation date of the previous bill through that same date on the current bill. In both cases each calendar day is counted except the 31st of the month.

### Bill Dates and Time Elements

These are the important dates and time elements in the billing process:

#### Bill Date

The bill date, which is also referred to as the bill round or statement date, is the date on which the charges are printed on the bill. CABS Accounting assigns a specific fixed bill date to each CABS NPA-prefix. Monthly Access charges are billed from bill date to bill date.

#### Bill Preparation Date

The bill preparation date, also referred to as end of period (EOP) date, is when bill preparation begins. CABS Accounting begins printing and enclosing bills in envelopes and boxes approximately 2 to 3 days after the bill date. It normally takes several days to prepare an entire bill round.

#### Bill Release Date

The bill release date is the date that bills are sent to the CLECs.

#### Billing Period

For billing purposes, CABS uses a 30-day month even if the calendar month differs. Any prorated billing, or billing calculations for monthly recurring charges, are based on 30 days.

#### Minimum Billing Period

For most access services the CLEC is billed any applicable monthly rate for 30 days even if the period of service is less than one billing month. This 30 days is called a Minimum Billing Period. The Minimum Billing Period charge always includes any applicable installation or non-recurring charge (NRC).

#### Arrears Billing

CABS bills in arrears actual and assumed (according to applicable tariffs) minutes of use on usage sensitive Switched Access services. This includes the billing period from the last bill to the current bill and may include previously unbilled usage from prior billing periods.

#### Advance Billing

CABS bills monthly rates on Switched and Special Access services in advance. Advance billing is the billing period from the current bill to the following bill.

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### **CABS Customer Service Record (CSR)**

The CABS Customer Service Record (CSR) shows information from the CABS Account Database. The information in the Account Database, and subsequently on the CSR, comes from the information on the service orders. The CSR provides a current record of the service items and charges.

### **Available Billing Level Options for Access Service**

CABS offers several levels for billing Access services. CLECs may request any of the options listed below by contacting the LPAT:

#### **LATA level billing**

LATA level billing is for Switched and Special Access services. All like services in a LATA, e.g., all Feature Group A in LATA 1, are billed on one Billing Telephone Number (BTN).

#### **End Office level billing**

End Office level billing is an option available for Feature Group A and for any Feature Group B, C, or D services trunked directly to End Offices. A CLEC may specify one BTN per end office, or CLEC-selected group of end offices, for all like services within a LATA. This option is not available for Special Access services or for tandem routed Switched access services.

#### **Tandem level billing**

Tandem level billing is an option available for Feature Group B, C, or D services trunked to tandems. A CLEC may specify one BTN per tandem for all like services within a LATA. This option is not available for Special Access services or for End Office routed line side or trunk side Switched Access services.

#### **POP level billing**

POP (Point of Presence) level billing is available for Special Access service only. A CLEC may specify one BTN for Special Access circuits connecting to an individual CLEC location (POP) within a LATA. This option is not available for any Switched Access services.

### **Billing Media and Delivery**

These are the methods by which CLECs can receive monthly bills.

#### **Paper Bill/CSR**

A paper CABS bill is provided to all carriers at no charge. When service order activity on an account completes in CABS Accounting before the bill preparation date, a current paper Customer Service Record (CSR) that reflects the changes is sent to the CLEC with the bill.

#### **Magnetic Tape**

ABS bills and CSRs can be provided to customers on magnetic tape for an additional charge.

#### **Multiple Bill/CSR Copies**

Multiple paper copies of CABS bills and CSRs can be provided. We do not provide multiple copies of magnetic tape.

**Note:** CABS bills and CSRs are not available on microfiche or summary bills.

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### Methods of Delivery

CABS bills for the same carriers going to the same address for each bill round are sent together in envelopes or boxes. The method of delivery is determined by the following criteria:

- U.S. Mail (from the United States Postal Service [USPS]) is used for:
  - All final bills with credit balances
  - All live and final bills with \$.00 balances
  - All live and final bills with totals due under \$30.00
- Special Courier/Overnight Mail is used for all other CABS bills

### Access Billing Choices (ABC)

Access Billing Choices (ABC) allows the CLEC to change certain sections of the standard CABS bill so that the bill can be validated more easily. CLECs with ABC choose from the predetermined non-standard bill formats offered. These predetermined, non-standard bill formats and the standard bill formats are referred to as 'options.'

### Available ABC Options

- Standard Billing with Actual Traffic Type
- End Office Billing with Ordered Traffic Type
- End Office Billing with Actual Traffic Type
- Date/Actual Traffic Type
- Actual Traffic Type/Date
- Access Service Group or Circuit Number/Purchase Order Number
- Activity Type/Purchase Order Number
- Activity Type/Access Service Group or Circuit Number
- Purchase Order Number/Access Service Group or Circuit Number
- IEC Circuit Number/Pacific Bell Circuit Number (includes WATS Access)
- IEC Circuit Number/ Pacific Bell Circuit Number/SN SA Information
- Pacific Bell Circuit Number/IEC Circuit Number/SN SA Information
- Invoice/Audit Number

### Applicability

All ABC Options are not available on all services:

- Daily Usage Statistics Options are available on Switched Access only.
- Special Access Circuit Listings Options are available on Special and WATS Access only.
- Usage Detail Section Options are available on Switched Access only.

The remaining options are available on all CABS billed services.

### Bill Sections that offer Access Billing Choices (ABC)

These sections of the CABS bill can be selected for ABC:

- Detail of Adjustments
- Customer Service Record (CSR)
- Usage Statistics
- Invoicing
- Special Access Circuit Listings
- Other Charges and Credits
- Service Inventory
- Usage Detail Charges

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### Rates and Charges

There are no rates or charges for the non-standard ABC options, except as specified in the tariff, as is the case with Magnetic Tape billing.

CLECs can order the non-standard ABC option by submitting an Access Service Request (ASR). Only one option can be selected for each section of the bill.

### Bill Appearance

#### Customer Service Record

- When the standard option is selected, the Billing Option summary section on the CSR says that all bill sections are standard format.
- When a non-standard ABC option is selected, the Billing Option summary section on the Customer Service Record (CSR) displays the section of the bill to which the option applies and describes the option.

#### CABS Bill

- When the standard option is selected, no option description appears at the top of each page of the bill.
- When a non-standard ABC option is selected, an option description appears at the top of each page of the bill.

#### Date/Actual Traffic Type Option

The Date/Actual Traffic Type option changes the format of the Daily Usage Statistics section of the bill. This option shows the:

- Dates calls were made
- Types of traffic (call types)

#### Actual Traffic Type/Date Option

The Actual Traffic Type/Date option changes the format of the Daily Usage Statistics section of the bill. This option shows:

- Dates calls were made
- Types of traffic (call types)

#### End Office Billing with Ordered Traffic Type Option (UB)

The End Office Billing with ordered Traffic type option changes the format of the Detail of Usage Charges Section of the bill. This option shows:

- End Office where calls originate and terminate
- Type of traffic the CLEC ordered (Originating and Terminating).

#### End Office Billing with Actual Traffic Type

The End Office Billing with Actual Traffic Type option changes the format of the Detail of Usage Charges Section of the bill. This option shows:

- End Office where calls originate and terminate
- Types of traffic (call types)



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### **Standard Billing with Actual Traffic Type**

The Standard Billing with Actual Traffic Type changes the format of the Detail of Usage Charges Section of the bill. This option shows:

- Either the tandem office, the End Office, or Dial Tone office (Feature Group A) where calls originate and
- Types of traffic (call types)

### **ASG/Purchase Order Number Option (Switched)**

The Access Service Group/Purchase Order Number Option changes the format of the Other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Switched Access bill. This option will show:

- Access Service Group
- Purchase Order Number

### **Circuit Number/ Purchase Order Number Option (Special)**

The Circuit Number/Purchase Order Number Option changes the format of the Other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Special and WATS Access bill. This option will show:

- Circuit Number
- Purchase Order Number

### **Activity Type/Purchase Order Number Option (Switched)**

The Activity Type/Purchase Order Number Option changes the format of the other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Switched Access bill. This option shows:

- Activity Type
- Purchase Order Number

### **Activity Type/Purchase Order Number Option (Special)**

The Activity Type/Purchase Order Number Option changes the format of the other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Special and WATS Access bill. This option shows:

- Activity Type
- Purchase Order Number

### **Activity Type/Access Service Group Option (Switched)**

The Activity Type/Access Service Group Option changes the format of the Other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Switched Access bill. This option shows:

- Activity Type
- Access Service Group

### **Activity Type/Circuit Number (Special)**

The Activity Type/Circuit Number Option changes the format of the Other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Special and WATS Access bill. This option shows:

- Circuit Number
- Activity Type

### **PON/ Access Service Group Option (Switched)**

The Purchase Order Number/Access Service Group Option changes the format of the Other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Switched Access bill. This option shows:

- Purchase Order Number
- Access Service Group

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### **PON/Circuit Number Option (Special)**

The Purchase Order Number/Circuit Number Option changes the format of the Other Charges and Credits (OC&C) Section of the Special and WATS Access bill. This option shows:

- Circuit Number
- Purchase Order Number

### **CKR/Pacific Bell Circuit Number Option (Special)**

The Carrier Circuit Number/Pacific Bell Circuit Number Option changes the format of the Special Access Listing Section of the Special Access bill only. This option shows:

- Interexchange Carrier Circuit Number (CKR)
- Pacific Bell Circuit Number (CLS)

### **CKR/Pacific Bell Circuit Number Option (WATS Access)**

The IEC Circuit Number/Pacific Bell Circuit Number Option changes the format of the Special Access Listing Section of the WATS Access bill only. This option shows:

- Interexchange Carrier Circuit Number (CKR)
- Pacific Bell Circuit Number

### **CKR/Pacific Bell Circuit Number/ Service Name and Service Address Information Option (Special)**

The IEC Circuit Number/Pacific Bell Circuit Number/ Service Name and Service Address Information option changes the format of the Special Access Listing Section of the Special and WATS Access bill. This option shows:

- Interexchange Carrier Circuit Number (CKR)
- Pacific Bell Circuit Number
- Service Name (SN) and Service Address (SA) Information

### **Pacific Bell Circuit Number, Information Option**

**The Pacific Bell Circuit Number/IEC Circuit Number/SN SA Information Option changes the format of the Special Access Listing Section of the Special and WATS Access bill. This option shows:**

- Interexchange Carrier Circuit Number (CKR)
- Pacific Bell Circuit Number
- Service Name (SN) and Service Address (SA) Information

### **Invoice/Audit number Option**

The Invoice/Audit Number Option changes the format of the Detail of Adjustments Section of the bill. This option sorts first by audit number and then by invoice.

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### Unbundled Network Billing Elements

Unbundled network elements include the following categories of charges:

#### Switched Access

On Switched Access services, carriers are billed for the number of minutes the services are used during a billing period. This type of billing is 'usage sensitive.'

#### Special Access

Carriers are billed flat monthly rates that apply to Special Access. Special Access services are not usage sensitive.

#### Installation

Carriers are billed for installation charges on both Switched and Special Access as non-recurring charges (NRCs), which appear on the Other Charges and Credits Detail section of the CABS bill.

The types of charges associated with the purchase of unbundled network elements include:

- Non-Recurring Charges
- Monthly Recurring Charges
- Mileage Zone Charges for Interoffice Transport
- Usage Sensitive Charges

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### Non-Recurring Charges (NRCs)

Non-recurring charges are one-time charges that apply for services installed, changed, or disconnected. NRCs are divided into two categories:

1. Service Order Charge for each element installed, changed, or disconnected
2. Connect, change or disconnect charges associated with each of the UNE elements, where applicable.

The following Non-Recurring Charges (NRCs) apply to UNE products and services:

- Port and Port with Loop products and services including basic POTS, Centrex, PBX/DID, ISDN BRI and PRI and PSP
- Loop
- Unbundled Dedicated Transport

#### Service Order Charge

Service Order Charge applies to service order establishment. It applies per element. Pacific Bell has two Service Order Charge structures, depending on the individual contracts.

#### OANAD

Ordering methods (manual, semi-mechanized, or mechanized) determines Rate Structure. Refer to OANAD Non-Recurring Charges for the definitions of each of the ordering methods. Refer to your contract for specific rates. OANAD pricing does not apply to PRI and PSP port services.

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### Non-OANAD

Ordering methods do not impact rate structures. When Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) are ordered in combination, Service Order Charges apply to both the port and the associated loop and/or transport. The Service order portion of the Non-recurring Charge for the provisioning of an Element or Element Combination applies as follows:

- The First Service Order charge applies for the first occurrence of a product on a service order
- Subsequent occurrences of the identical product will receive a lower additional service order charge.

### Connect Charge

Connect Charge applies to the connect portion of the Non-recurring Charge. It applies per element. When CLECs order UNE elements in combination, Connect Charges apply to both the port and the associated loop and/or transport. The Connect Charge portion of the Non-recurring Charge for provisioning, change, or disconnect of an Element or Element Combination applies as follows:

- The first Connect charge applies to the first occurrence of a product on a service order
- Subsequent occurrences of the identical product will receive lower additional connect charges.
- Note: Vertical Features do not have associated Connect Charges.

### Change Charges

Change Charges apply per element and fall into three categories.

1. **Record work only**, includes record changes at a BAN level, such as

- EU name change per loop or switch port
- CLEC billing name change for the same CLEC (i.e. legal name changes)
- Bill address change
- Telephone number change
- CLEC billing contact change
- CLEC circuit number change

2. **Change Activity**, involves only one change charge. It applies when CLECs make multiple changes to a single element (changing the telephone number and changing the LPIC at the same time). Change charge may apply to each element when changes involve element combinations (ex. Changing a port with loop combination from ground start to loop start or vice versa). A change charge per feature also applies when CLECs add/change/disconnect vertical features to/from an existing port.

3. **Disconnect Charge** applies for administrative and physical work associated with removing the service. It applies per element. Disconnect Charges apply to both the port and the associated loop. The Disconnect Charge applies as follows:

- The first charge applies for the first occurrence of a product on a service order
- Subsequent occurrences of the identical product will receive lower additional charges.

### Recurring Charges

The following Recurring Charges may apply to UNE products/services, depending on the elements ordered:

- Port Charges
- Loop Charges
- Entrance Facilities
- Transport/Inter-office Transport Charges
- Multiplexer
- Hunting
- Expanded Interconnection Service Cross Connect (EISCC)
- Unbundled Service Cross Connects (USCC)
- Vertical Features

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### Mileage Zone Charges (Inter-office Transport)

Mileage Zone Charges are priced into 4 Zone charges at a fixed and variable rate. Zone pricing only applies to the Unbundled Dedicated Transport interoffice mileage rate element. Monthly recurring charges apply to the 4 zones. Zones are determined by the service wire center.

### Usage Sensitive Charges for UNE Ports

Usage sensitive charges for UNE ports fall into 3 categories.

1. **Shared/Common** Transport includes charges for calls transported across the Pacific Bell network:

- Shared Transport rates apply to local and pre-dialing parity intra LATA calls
- Common Transport rates apply to interLATA and post-dialing parity intraLATA calls.

These rates are calculated on a per minute, per mile basis.

2. **Local Switching** applies to local and pre-dialing parity intraLATA toll calls. Tandem Switching rates apply for all interLATA and post dialing parity intraLATA calls.

- When any call originates from an Unbundled Local Switch (ULS) Port, a CLEC pays the Unbundled Local/Tandem Switching Originating (ULS-O) rates. ULS-O rate elements include the following:
  - Charge for setup per attempt
  - Charge per minute of use (MOU)
  - Charges for unbundled transport
- When any call terminates to a ULS Port, a CLEC pays Unbundled Local/Tandem Switching-Terminating (USL-T) rates. USL-T rate elements include the following:
  - Charge for setup per call
  - Charge per MOU

On Intra-office calls the CLEC pays only ULS-O setup per call and per MOU for a call originating from a CLEC ULS and terminating to an EU in the same end office switch.

3. **Miscellaneous** contains Operator Assistance charges, which are recorded and billed as actual seconds of work. Other charges, which are billed on a per-call basis include:

- Directory Assistance
- Busy Line Verification

### OANAD Charges

### Recurring Charges

Although the OANAD monthly rates may vary from other contract rates, the rate structure is the same. The ordering method does not impact monthly recurring charges.

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### Non-recurring Charges

The descriptions of service order, connect, and disconnect are the same for OANAD as they are for all contracts. However, OANAD pricing calls for service order charges are based on the ordering method. CLECs can place service orders manually, mechanically, or semi-mechanically as described below.

- Manual-faxed or mailed
- Semi-mechanically- CLECs send requests via CESAR, LEX, or EDI, and the order is designed to exception to the LSC for handling. The LSC service rep. Enters the order. This includes any supplement sent via CESAR, LEX, or EDI.
- Mechanized- CLECs send service order requests via LEX or EDI, and the requests flow through without service rep. intervention. If the service order falls out due to an editing error, it is still considered mechanized. A supplement request via LEX or EDI is treated as semi-mechanized. Supplements are designed to exception to the LSC for handling.

Refer to the Change Management minutes for a list of products designed for Mechanized Flow Through. Migration of an existing UNE platform (Migration) will be billed only the service order charge not the connect charge. A Migration is defined as a customer moving from Pacific Bell to a CLEC where no physical work is required by Pacific Bell. The same holds true if Pacific Bell wins back the customer. If no physical work is required, the CLEC will only be billed the service order charge not the disconnect charge. New USOCs have been developed and existing USOCs have been used to accommodate billing for the following types of ordering:

- Mechanized Migration or End User Return
- Semi-mechanized Migration or End User Return
- Manual Migration or End User Return
- Mechanized order
- Semi-mechanized order
- Manual order

English Description of USOCs follow:

- Mechanized (MOXnn) USOCs will have 'Mech' in the English description
- Manual (HOXnn) USOCs will have 'Manual' in the English description
- Semi-mechanized USOCs

New USOCs created for Record charges will carry 'Semi-mech' in the English description. Existing rates will be applied to the current XOXnn USOCs and will not carry a phrase. The absence of 'Mech' or 'Manual' implies Semi-mechanical.

Special Processing of USOCs

- USOCs with 'Connect' in the English description will include both the service order charge and the channel connection charge
- USOCs with 'Order' in the English description will include service order only charges. Two examples of the service order charge follow.
- 'Migration of an existing UNE Platform' where the OANAD order states that only service order charges apply
- UNE elements that never have a channel connection charge such as vertical station features and cross-connects
- The first service charge (FSC) will apply to the first occurrence of each UNE element in a combination. The additional charge will apply to the next occurrence of the UNE element.
- For switch port products, the first occurrence of a UNE element can appear on the second telephone number, and the FSC will apply.
- For unbundled loops and unbundled dedicated transport FSC will only apply to the first combination.

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### Facility verses Trunk PIUs

The Switched Access facility PIU may be declared in writing or stated on the ASR at the time the service is requested. The declared PIU will always override the stated PIU on the ASR if both are supplied.

Switched Access Feature Group/ATA trunk PIUs are done in the following manner:

- FGB/ATA 950 - declared by writing
- FGD/ATA 10XXX:
  - New service at an end office/access tandem location, the stated PIU from the ASR will be used for nonrecurring charges
  - Existing service at an end office/access tandem location, the PIU from existing service at the location will be used for nonrecurring charges
  - Usage rates are determined by actual PIU

### Switched Facility PIUs

The PIU for new Switched facilities will be declared in writing at least once every three months or stated on the ASR at the time of request. At the CLEC's option, the declared PIU provided can be on a state, LATA, tandem or end office basis. If there is no declaration on file, the stated PIU on the ASR will be used. This PIU will be used to calculate the rates for the following charges:

- Nonrecurring charges (NRC) associated with the facilities; entrance facility and/or Direct Trunked Transport
- Recurring charges (RC) associated with unassigned channels not in use for an entrance facility or Direct Trunked Transport

**Note:** The blended PIU from actual usage is used on assigned channels

### Declared PIU

The initial declared facility PIU will continue to be used for any unassigned channels. The initial declared facility PIU will also be used for new/changed facilities until a revised report is received from the CLEC. The revised report will serve as the basis for future facility billing only.

### Stated PIU for Facility

The Carrier may choose to provide a stated PIU for the facility at the time the ASR is submitted.

**Note:** The PIU processes for the Feature Group services/Access Trunk Arrangements remain the same.

### Blended Facility PIU

Once Switched Access services are assigned to the entrance facility and flat-rated transport, the PIU is derived by CABS based on actual usage associated with those Switched Access services. An average of the derived PIU and the declared/stated PIU on unassigned channels is used to calculate the NRC charges associated with the FCC portion of the facility. Because there is no Switched facility filing in the CPUC tariff, there are no Recurring or Nonrecurring charges for the CPUC portion of the Switched facility. The CPUC portion of the facility charges is built into the trunking USOC and the usage sensitive rates.

## General UNE Billing Information

### **CABS ICS PIU PROCESS**

This is a brief description of the PIU process applied to switched and special access.

#### **Switched Facilities**

When a facility is a Switched Access DS3 or DS1, the PIU value established initially controls the computed nonrecurring charges. After the DS3 or DS1 is inventoried, each channel is assigned the PIU. The current ordered or declared PIU is used on vacant channel(s). The blended PIU is the average for all the channel PIUs on the system. Each assigned channel inherits the PIU from the trunk that inventories on the Switched Access account.

#### **Specials Facilities**

When the facility is a Special Access DS3 or DS1, the blended PIU process is performed only on the portion of the system (channels) that has Switched Access service riding it. The Switched PIU is used to control the billing for the portion of the system that is being used by Feature Group/ATA trunks.