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## 1. DEFINITIONS

- a. For purposes of this Appendix, "Access Tandem Switch" means a tandem switch in a <u>AT&T-13STATE</u> network equipped to provide Interconnection between a CMRS provider and an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) that is used to connect and switch traffic for the purpose of providing Switched Access Services.
- b. For purposes of this Appendix, "Switched Access Services" means an offering of access to <u>AT&T-13STATE</u>'s network for the purpose of the origination or the termination of traffic from or to IXCs in a given area pursuant to a Switched Access Services tariff for Feature Group B and Feature Group D.
- c. 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, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company 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.
- d. <u>AT&T-13STATE</u> As used herein, <u>AT&T-13STATE</u> means the applicable AT&T-owned ILEC(s) doing business in Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin.
- 2. Pursuant to the procedures described in Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) document, developed by the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions' (ATIS) Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF), the Parties shall provide to each other the Switched Access detail usage data, on a per LATA basis, for jointly provided tandem switched Feature Groups B or D services to or from an IXC. As detailed in the MECAB document, the Parties will, in a timely fashion, exchange all information necessary to accurately, reliably and promptly bill Access Service customers for Switched Access services traffic jointly provided via the meet-point billing arrangement. Information shall be exchanged in Electronic Message Interface (EMI) format, via a mutually acceptable electronic file transfer protocol. The Parties agree to exchange the Switched Access detail usage data to each other on a reciprocal, no charge basis. Each Party agrees to provide the other Party with AURs based upon mutually agreed upon intervals. Each Party shall provide the other Party the billing name, billing address, and carrier identification ("CIC") of the IXCs that may utilize any portion of either Party's network in a carrier/LEC MPB arrangement in order to comply with the MPB Notification process as outlined in the MECAB document. <a href="https://example.ci.electronic.outline-new information-to-carrier-except">AT&T-13STATE</a> shall provide this information to Carrier except where proprietary restrictions prohibit disclosure. Each Party will be entitled to reject a record that does not contain a CIC code.
- 3. Carrier shall designate <u>AT&T-13STATE</u>'s Access Tandem Switch or any other reasonable facilities or points of Interconnection for the purpose of originating or terminating IXC traffic. For the access Tandem Switch designated, the Parties agree that the billing percentage to be utilized to bill Switched Access Service customers for jointly provided Switched Access Services traffic shall be any mutually agreed upon billing percentage(s).
- 4. The Parties will each bill the IXC for their portion of the Switched Access Services as stated in each Party's respective access tariff and/or contract based on the billing percentages stated above.
- 5. The Parties shall undertake all reasonable measures to ensure that the billing percentage and associated information as described in the MECAB document identified in Paragraph 1 above, are maintained in their respective federal and state access tariffs and/or contract, as required, until such time as such information will be included in the National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA") FCC Tariff No. 4.
- **6.** Each Party shall implement the "Multiple Bill/Single Tariff" option described in the MECAB document identified in Paragraph 1 above so that each Party bills the IXC for its portion of the jointly provided Switched Access Services.