

INTERCONNECTION, RESALE  
AND UNBUNDLING  
AGREEMENT  
between  
GTE NORTHWEST INCORPORATED  
and

AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST, INC.

The filing of this arbitrated Agreement with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission in accordance with the Arbitrator's Report dated December 11, 1996, the Arbitrator's Supplemental Report dated February 4, 1997, the Decision Maker's Resolution of Contract Language Disputes dated June 2, 1997 and the Commission Order Approving Interconnection Agreement effective August 25, 1997 (collectively, the "Order") with respect to AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest, Inc.'s Petition for Arbitration pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to establish an interconnection agreement between AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest, Inc. and GTE Northwest Incorporated, Docket No. UT-960307, does not in any way constitute a waiver by either AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest, Inc. or GTE Northwest Incorporated, of any right which any such Party may have to appeal to a competent court of law, or to petition the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission for reconsideration of any determination contained in the Order, or any provision included in this Agreement pursuant to the Order.

In this document the Parties attempt to comply with the Order which directs the Parties to reduce to contractual language the substantive provisions and directives of the Order. Nothing contained herein shall be construed or is intended to be a concession or admission by either Party that any such provision of the Order or the language herein complies with the duties imposed by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the decisions of the FCC and the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, or other law, and each Party thus expressly reserves its full right to assert and pursue claims that the Order does not comport with applicable law.

### **32.Unbundled Network Elements**

- 32.1 GTE will offer Network Elements to AT&T on an unbundled basis at rates set forth in Attachment 14.
- 32.9 Except with respect to the Loop Distribution, Loop Concentrator/Multiplexer, and Loop Feeder elements, which shall in all cases be subject to the bona fide request process described in Attachment 12, set forth below is a list of Network Elements that AT&T and GTE have identified as of the Effective Date of this Agreement and will be offered by GTE. AT&T and GTE agree that AT&T may identify additional or revised Network Elements that it desires. All such additional or modified Network Elements shall be subject to the Bona Fide Requests

Procedures outlined in Attachment 12. Descriptions and requirements for each Network Element identified below are set forth in Attachment 2. The Network Elements described in Attachment 2 consist of:

- Loop or Loop Combination
- Network Interface Device (NID)
- Loop Distribution, otherwise known as Distribution Media
- Loop Concentrator/Multiplexer
- Loop Feeder
- Local Switching
- Operator Service
- Directory Assistance Service
- Common Transport
- Dedicated Transport
- Signaling Link Transport
- Signaling Transfer Points
- Service Control Points (SCPs)/Databases
- Tandem Switching
- Unused Transmission Media

## **47. Local Switching**

### **47.1 Definition:**

Local Switching is the Network Element that provides the functionality required to connect the appropriate originating lines or trunks wired to the Main Distributing Frame (MDF) or Digital Signal Cross Connect (DSX) panel to a desired terminating line or trunk. Such functionality shall include all of the features, functions, and capabilities of the GTE switch including but not limited to: line signaling and signaling software, digit reception, dialed number translations, call screening, routing, recording, call supervision, dial tone, switching, telephone number provisioning, announcements, calling features and capabilities (including call processing), CENTRANET, Automatic Call Distributor (ACD), Carrier pre-subscription (e.g., long distance carrier, intraLATA toll), Carrier Identification Code (CIC) portability capabilities, testing and other operational features inherent to the switch and switch software. Local Switching provides access to transport, signaling (ISDN User Part (ISUP) and Transaction Capabilities Application Part (TCAP), and platforms such as adjuncts, Public Safety Systems (911), operator services, directory services and Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN). Remote Switching Module functionality is included in the Local Switching function. The switching capabilities used will be based on the line side features they support, where technically feasible. Local Switching will also be capable of routing local

directory assistance and operator services calls to alternative directory assistance and operator services platforms.