

**Access to Poles, Ducts, Conduits, and Rights of Way Amendment  
to the  
Interconnection Agreement  
between  
Qwest Corporation  
and  
SBC Telecom, Inc.  
for the State of Washington**

This Amendment ("Amendment") is to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation (f/k/a US WEST Communications, Inc.) ("Qwest"), a Colorado corporation, and SBC Telecom, Inc. ("CLEC"), a Delaware corporation.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into an Interconnection Agreement, for service in the State of Washington, that was approved by the Washington Public Utilities and Transportation Commission on April 24, 2002, as referenced in Docket No. UT-023004 ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to amend the Agreement by adding the terms and conditions contained herein.

**AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

**1. Amendment Terms**

This Amendment is made in order to add to the Agreement the terms, conditions and rates for Poles, Ducts and Conduit, as set forth in the Attachment 1 and Exhibits A and D, attached hereto and incorporated herein. There are no Exhibits B and C to this Amendment. Section 10.8 of the Agreement, "Access to Poles, Ducts, Conduits, and Rights of Way", is hereby replaced in its entirety with Attachment 1 to this Amendment. Exhibit A to this Amendment contains rates associated with Section 10.8 and replaces the rates for Poles, Ducts and Conduit contained in Section 10.7 of Exhibit A of the Agreement. Exhibit D contains additional terms and conditions related to Poles, Ducts and Conduit and replaces in its entirety Exhibit D of the Agreement.

**2. Effective Date**

This Amendment shall be deemed effective upon Commission approval; however, the Parties may agree to implement the provisions of this Amendment upon execution. To accommodate this need, CLEC must generate, if necessary, an updated Customer Questionnaire. In addition to the Questionnaire, all system updates will need to be completed by Qwest. CLEC will be notified when all system

changes have been made. Actual order processing may begin once these requirements have been met.

**3. Term of Agreement**

Section 5.2.1 of the Agreement is hereby replaced in its entirety with the following:

This Agreement shall become effective on the date it is approved by the Commission. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties and shall expire on June 30, 2004.

**4. Amendments; Waivers**

The provisions of this Amendment, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions of this Amendment may not be given without the written consent thereto by both Parties' authorized representative. No waiver by any Party of any default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder, whether intentional or not, will be deemed to extend to any prior or subsequent default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder or affect in any way any rights arising by virtue of any prior or subsequent such occurrence.

**5. Entire Agreement**

This Amendment (including the documents referred to herein) constitutes the full and entire understanding and agreement between the Parties with regard to the subjects of this Amendment and supersedes any prior understandings, agreements, amendments, or representations by or between the Parties, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subjects of this Amendment.

The Parties intending to be legally bound have executed this Amendment as of the dates set forth below, in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**SBC Telecom, Inc.**

**Qwest Corporation**

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## ATTACHMENT 1

### 10.8 Access to Poles, Ducts, Conduits, and Rights of Way

#### 10.8.1 Description

10.8.1.1 Pole Attachments – Where it has ownership or control to do so, Qwest will provide CLEC with access to available pole attachment space for the placing of facilities for the purpose of transmitting Telecommunications Services.

10.8.1.1.1 The term pole attachment means any attachment by CLEC to a pole owned or controlled by Qwest.

10.8.1.2 Ducts and Conduits – Where it has ownership or control to do so, Qwest will provide CLEC with access to available ducts/conduits for the purpose of placing facilities for transmitting Telecommunications Services. A spare duct/conduit will be leased for copper facilities only, and an innerduct for the purpose of placing fiber. CLEC may place innerduct in an empty duct/conduit. Control of CLEC-installed spare innerduct shall vest in Qwest immediately upon installation; ownership of such innerduct shall vest to Qwest if and when CLEC abandons such innerduct.

10.8.1.2.1 The terms duct and conduit mean a single enclosed raceway for conductors, cable and/or wire. Duct and conduit may be in the ground, may follow streets, bridges, public or private ROW or may be within some portion of a multi-unit building. Within a multi-unit building, duct and conduit may traverse building entrance facilities, building entrance links, equipment rooms, Remote Terminals, cable vaults, telephone closets or building riser. The terms duct and conduit include riser conduit.

10.8.1.2.2 The term innerduct means a duct-like raceway smaller than a duct/conduit that is inserted into a duct/conduit so that the duct may typically carry three cables.

10.8.1.3 Rights of Way (ROW) – Where it has ownership or control to do so, Qwest will provide to CLEC, via an Access Agreement in the form of Attachment 4 to Exhibit D, access to available ROW for the purpose of placing Telecommunications facilities. ROW includes land or other property owned or controlled by Qwest and may run under, on, above, across, along or through public or private property or enter multi-unit buildings.

10.8.1.3.1 ROW means a real property interest in privately-owned real property, but expressly excluding any public, governmental, federal or Native American, or other quasi-public or non-private lands, sufficient to permit Qwest to place Telecommunications facilities on such real property; such property owner may permit Qwest to install and maintain facilities under, on, above, across, along or through private property or enter multi-unit buildings. Within a multi-unit building, a ROW includes a pathway that is actually used or has been specifically designated for use by Qwest as part of its transmission and distribution network where the boundaries of the pathway are clearly defined either by written

specifications or unambiguous physical demarcation.

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10.8.1.5 The phrase "ownership or control to do so" means the legal right, as a matter of state law, to (i) convey an interest in real or personal property, or (ii) afford access to third parties as may be provided by the landowner to Qwest through express or implied agreements, or through Applicable Rules as defined in this Amendment.

10.8.2 Terms and Conditions

Qwest shall provide CLEC non-discriminatory access to poles, ducts, conduit and rights of way on terms and conditions found in the Revised Qwest Right of Way, Pole Attachment and/or Duct/Innerduct Occupancy General Information Document, attached hereto as Exhibit D. Qwest will not favor itself over CLEC when Provisioning access to poles, ducts, conduits and rights of way. Qwest shall not give itself preference when assigning space.

10.8.2.1 Subject to the provisions of this Amendment, Qwest agrees to issue to CLEC authorization for CLEC to attach, operate, maintain, rearrange, transfer and remove at its sole expense its facilities on poles/duct/innerduct or ROW owned or controlled in whole or in part by Qwest, subject to Orders placed by CLEC. Any and all rights granted to CLEC shall be subject to and subordinate to any future local, state and/or federal requirements.

10.8.2.2 Qwest will rely on such codes as the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) to prescribe standards with respect to capacity, safety, reliability, and general engineering principles.

10.8.2.3 Federal requirements, such as those imposed by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), will continue to apply to the extent such requirements affect requests for attachments or occupancy to Qwest facilities under Section 224(f)(1) of the Act.

10.8.2.4 CLEC shall provide access to a map of the requested poles/duct/innerduct/ROW route, including estimated distances between major points, the identification and location of the poles/duct/innerduct and ROW and a description of CLEC's facilities. Qwest agrees to provide to CLEC access to relevant plats, maps, engineering records and other data within ten (10) business days of receiving a bona fide request for such information, except in the case of extensive requests. Extensive requests involve the gathering of plats from more than one (1) location, span more than five (5) Wire Centers, or consist of ten (10) or more intra-Wire Center requests submitted simultaneously. Responses to extensive requests will be provided within a reasonable interval, not to exceed forty-five (45) calendar Days.

10.8.2.5 Except as expressly provided herein, or in the Pole Attachment Act of 1934 as amended and its regulations and rules, or in any applicable state or municipal laws, nothing herein shall be construed to compel Qwest to construct, install, modify or place any poles/duct/innerduct or other facility for use by CLEC.

10.8.2.6 Qwest retains the right to determine the availability of space on poles/duct/innerduct, duct, conduit and ROW consistent with 47 USC § 224 and FCC

orders, rules and regulations pursuant to 47 USC § 224. In the event Qwest determines that rearrangement of the existing facilities on poles, innerduct, duct/conduit and ROW is required before CLEC's facilities can be accommodated, the actual cost of such modification will be included in CLEC's nonrecurring charges for the associated Order (Make-Ready Fee). When modifications to a Qwest spare duct/conduit include the placement of innerduct, Qwest or CLEC will install the number of innerduct required to fill the duct/conduit to its full capacity.

10.8.2.7 Qwest shall make manhole ingress and egress for duct/innerduct access available to CLEC. Qwest will perform a feasibility study to determine whether to provide a stub out via the pre-constructed knock out within the manhole, or to perform a core drill of the manhole.

10.8.2.8 Where such authority does not already exist, CLEC shall be responsible for obtaining the necessary legal authority to occupy ROW, and/or poles/duct/innerduct on governmental, federal, Native American, and private rights of way. CLEC shall obtain any permits, licenses, bonds, or other necessary legal authority and permission, at CLEC's sole expense, in order to perform its obligations under this Amendment. CLEC shall contact all owners of public and private rights-of-way to obtain the permission required to perform the work prior to entering the property or starting any work thereon. See Section 10.8.4. CLEC shall comply with all conditions of rights-of-way and permits. Once such permission is obtained, all such work may be performed by Qwest or CLEC at the option of CLEC.

10.8.2.9 Access to a Qwest Central Office manhole will be permitted where Technically Feasible. If space is available, Qwest will allow access through the Central Office manhole to the POI (Point of Interconnection). There shall be a presumption that there shall be no fiber splices allowed in the Central Office manhole. However, where CLEC can establish the necessity and technical feasibility of splicing in the Central Office manhole, such action shall be permitted.

10.8.2.10 Replacement/Modification/Installation - If CLEC requests Qwest to replace or modify existing poles/duct/innerduct to increase its strength or capacity for the sole benefit of CLEC, CLEC shall pay Qwest the total actual replacement cost, Qwest's actual cost to transfer its attachments to new poles/duct/innerduct, as necessary, and the actual cost for removal (including actual cost of destruction) of the replaced poles/duct/innerduct, if necessary. Ownership of new poles/duct/innerduct shall vest to Qwest.

10.8.2.10.1 Upon request, Qwest shall permit CLEC to install poles/duct/innerduct. Qwest reserves the right to reject any non-conforming replacement pole/duct/conduit installed by CLEC that do not conform to the NESC, OSHA or local ordinances.

10.8.2.10.2 To the extent that a modification is incurred for the benefit of multiple parties, CLEC shall pay a proportionate share of the total actual cost based on the ratio of the amount of new space occupied by the facilities of CLEC to the total amount of space occupied by all Parties including Qwest or its Affiliates participating in the modification. Parties who do not initiate, request or receive additional space from a modification, are not required to share in the cost of the modification. CLEC, Qwest or any other party that uses a modification as

an opportunity to bring its facilities into compliance with applicable safety or other requirements will be deemed to be sharing in the modification and will be responsible for its share of the modification cost. Attaching entities will not be responsible for sharing in the cost of governmentally mandated pole or other facility modification.

10.8.2.10.3 The modifying Party or Parties may recover a proportionate share of the modification costs from Parties that later are able to obtain access as a result of the modification. The proportionate share of the subsequent attacher will be reduced to take account of depreciation to the pole or other facility that has occurred since the modification. The modifying Party or parties seeking to recover modification costs from parties that later obtain attachments shall be responsible for maintaining all records regarding modification costs. Qwest shall not be responsible for maintaining records regarding modification costs on behalf of attaching entities.

10.8.2.11 Notification of modifications initiated by or on behalf of Qwest and at Qwest's expense shall be provided to CLEC at least sixty (60) calendar Days prior to beginning modifications. Such notification shall include a brief description of the nature and scope of the modification. If CLEC does not respond to a requested rearrangement of its facilities within sixty (60) Days after receipt of written notice from Qwest requesting rearrangement, Qwest may perform or have performed such rearrangement and CLEC shall pay the actual cost thereof. No such notice shall be required in emergency situations or for routine maintenance of poles/duct/innerduct completed at Qwest's expense.

10.8.2.12 Qwest reserves the right to make an on-site/final construction inspection of CLEC's facilities occupying the poles/duct/innerduct system. CLEC shall reimburse Qwest for the actual cost of such inspections except where specified in this Section.

10.8.2.13 When final construction inspection by Qwest has been completed, CLEC shall correct such non-complying conditions within the reasonable period of time specified by Qwest in its written notice. If corrections are not completed within the specified reasonable period, occupancy authorizations for the ROW, poles/duct/innerduct system where non-complying conditions remain uncorrected shall suspend forthwith, regardless of whether CLEC has energized the facilities occupying said poles/duct/innerduct or ROW system and CLEC shall remove its facilities from said poles/duct/innerduct or ROW in accordance with the provisions of this Section, provided, however, if the corrections physically cannot be made within such specified time, and CLEC has been diligently prosecuting such cure, CLEC shall be granted a reasonable additional time to complete such cure. Qwest may deny further occupancy authorization to CLEC until such non-complying conditions are corrected or until CLEC's facilities are removed from the poles/duct/innerduct system where such non-complying conditions exist. If agreed between both Parties, Qwest shall perform or have performed such corrections and CLEC shall pay Qwest the actual cost of performing such work. Subsequent inspections to determine if appropriate corrective actions have been taken may be made by Qwest.

10.8.2.14 Once CLEC's facilities begin occupying the poles/duct/innerduct or ROW system, Qwest may perform a reasonable number of inspections. Qwest shall bear the cost of such inspections unless the results of the inspection reveal a material violation or

hazard, or that CLEC has in any other way failed to comply with the provisions of Section 10.8.2.20; in which case CLEC shall reimburse Qwest the costs of inspections and re-inspections, as required. CLEC's representative may accompany Qwest on such field inspections. The cost of periodic inspection or any special inspections found necessary due to the existence of sub-standard or unauthorized occupancies shall be billed separately.

10.8.2.15 The costs of inspections made during construction and/or the final construction survey and subsequent inspection shall be billed to CLEC upon completion of the inspections.

10.8.2.16 Final construction, subsequent, and periodic inspections or the failure to make such inspections, shall not relieve CLEC of any responsibilities, obligations, or liability assigned under this Amendment.

10.8.2.17 CLEC may use individual workers of its choice to perform any work necessary for the attaching of its facilities so long as such workers have the same qualifications and training as Qwest's workers. CLEC may use any contractor approved by Qwest to perform Make-Ready Work.

10.8.2.18 If Qwest terminates an order for cause, or if CLEC terminates an order without cause, subject to 10.8.4.4.4, CLEC shall pay termination charges equal to the amount of fees and charges remaining on the terminated order(s) and shall remove its facilities from the poles/duct/innerduct within sixty (60) calendar Days, or cause Qwest to remove its facilities from the poles/duct/innerduct at CLEC's expense; provided, however, that CLEC shall be liable for and pay all fees and charges provided for in this Amendment to Qwest until CLEC's facilities are physically removed. "Cause" as used herein shall include CLEC's use of its facilities in material violation of any Applicable Law or in aid of any unlawful act or making an unauthorized modification to Qwest's poles/duct/innerduct, or, in the case of ROW, any act or omission that violates the terms and conditions of either (a) the Access Agreement by which Qwest conveys a right of access to the ROW to CLEC, or (b) the instrument granting the original ROW to Qwest or its predecessor.

10.8.2.19 Qwest may abandon or sell any poles/innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW at any time by giving written notice to CLEC. Any poles, innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW that is sold, will be sold subject to all existing legal rights of CLEC. Upon abandonment of poles/innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW, and with the concurrence of the other joint user(s), if necessary, CLEC shall, within sixty (60) calendar Days of such notice, either: 1) continue to occupy the poles/innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW pursuant to its existing rights under this Amendment if the poles/innerduct, duct/conduit, or ROW is purchased by another party; 2) purchase the poles/innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW from Qwest at the current market value; or 3) remove its facilities therefrom. Failure to explicitly elect one of the foregoing options within sixty (60) calendar Days shall be deemed an election to purchase the poles/innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW at the current market value if no other party purchased the poles/innerduct, duct/conduit or ROW within this sixty (60) Day period.

10.8.2.20 CLEC's facilities shall be placed and maintained in accordance with the requirements and specifications of the current applicable standards of Telcordia Manual of Construction Standards, the National Electrical Code, the National Electrical Safety

Code, and the rules and regulations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, all of which are incorporated by reference, and any governing authority having jurisdiction. Where a difference in specifications exists, the more stringent shall apply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CLEC shall only be held to such standard as Qwest, its Affiliates or any other Telecommunications Carrier is held. Failure to maintain facilities in accordance with the above requirements or failure to correct as provided in Section 10.8.2.13 shall be cause for termination of the Order. CLEC shall in a timely manner comply with all requests from Qwest to bring its facilities into compliance with these terms and conditions.

10.8.2.21 Should Qwest under the provisions of this Amendment remove CLEC's facilities from the poles/duct/innerduct covered by any Order, Qwest will deliver the facilities removed upon payment by CLEC of the cost of removal, storage and delivery, and all other amounts due Qwest. If CLEC removes facilities from poles/duct/innerduct for other than repair or maintenance purposes, no replacement on the poles/duct/innerduct shall be made until all outstanding charges due Qwest for previous occupancy have been paid in full. CLEC shall advise Qwest in writing as to the date on which the removal of facilities from the poles/duct/innerduct has been completed.

10.8.2.22 If any facilities are found attached to poles/duct/innerduct for which no order is in effect, Qwest, without prejudice to its other rights or remedies under this Amendment, may assess a charge and CLEC agrees to pay a charge of \$200.00 per Pole or \$200 per innerduct run between two manholes, plus payment as specified in this Section. Qwest shall waive the unauthorized attachment fee if the following conditions are both met: (1) CLEC cures such unauthorized attachment (by removing it or submitting a valid Order for attachment in the form of Attachment 2 of Exhibit D, within thirty (30) Days of written notification from Qwest of the unauthorized attachment; and (2) the unauthorized attachment did not require Qwest to take curative measures itself (e.g., pulling additional innerduct) prior to the cure by CLEC. Qwest shall also waive the unauthorized attachment fee if the unauthorized attachment arose due to error by Qwest rather than by CLEC. CLEC is required to submit in writing, within ten (10) business days after receipt of written notification from Qwest of the unauthorized occupancy, a poles/duct/innerduct application. If such application is not received by Qwest within the specified time period, CLEC will be required to remove its unauthorized facility within thirty (30) calendar Days of the final date for submitting the required application, or Qwest may remove CLEC's facilities without liability, and the cost of such removal shall be borne by CLEC.

10.8.2.23 No act or failure to act by Qwest with regard to an unauthorized occupancy shall be deemed as the authorization of the occupancy. Any subsequently issued authorization shall not operate retroactively or constitute a waiver by Qwest of any of its rights or privileges under this Amendment or otherwise. CLEC shall be subject to all liabilities of the Agreement in regard to said unauthorized occupancy from its inception.

10.8.2.24 Qwest will provide CLEC non-discriminatory access to poles, innerducts, ducts/conduits and ROW pursuant to 47 USC § 224 and FCC orders, rules and regulations pursuant to 47 USC § 224. In the event of a conflict between this Amendment, on one hand, and 47 USC § 224 and FCC orders, rules and regulations pursuant to 47 USC § 224, on the other, 47 USC § 224 and FCC orders, rules and regulations pursuant to 47 USC § 224 shall govern. Further, in the event of a conflict



between Exhibit D, on one hand, and this Amendment or 47 USC § 224 and FCC orders, rules and regulations pursuant to 47 USC § 224, on the other, this Amendment or 47 USC § 224 and FCC orders, rules and regulations pursuant to 47 USC § 224 shall govern, provided however, that any Access Agreement that has been duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in the real property records for the county in which the ROW is located shall govern in any event pursuant to its terms.

10.8.2.25 Nothing in this Amendment shall require Qwest to exercise eminent domain on behalf of CLEC.

10.8.2.26 Upon CLEC request, Qwest will certify to a landowner with whom Qwest has an ROW agreement, the following:

10.8.2.26.1 that the ROW agreement with Qwest does not preclude the landowner from entering into a separate ROW agreement with CLEC; and

10.8.2.26.2 that there will be no penalty under the agreement between the landowner and Qwest if the landowner enters into a ROW agreement with CLEC.

10.8.2.27 For purposes of permitting CLEC to determine whether Qwest has ownership or control over duct/conduit or ROW within a specific multiple tenant environment, if CLEC requests a copy of an agreement between Qwest and the owner of duct/conduit or ROW, including a specific multiple tenant environment that grants Qwest access to or ownership or control of duct/conduit or ROW, Qwest will provide the agreement to CLEC. CLEC will submit a completed Attachment 1.A from Exhibit D that identifies a specific multi-unit dwelling or route for each agreement.

10.8.2.27.1 Upon receipt of a completed Attachment 1.A, Qwest will prepare and return an MDU information matrix, within ten (10) Days, which will identify (a) the owner of the duct/conduit or ROW or multiple tenant environment as reflected in Qwest's records, and (b) whether or not Qwest has a copy of an agreement that provides Qwest access to the duct/conduit or ROW or multiple tenant environment in its possession. If Qwest has a copy of the agreement Qwest will provide the agreement to CLEC at the same time that it provides the matrix to CLEC. Qwest makes no representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of its records, and CLEC acknowledges that the original property owner may not be the current owner of the property.

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10.8.2.27.3 For the purposes of this Amendment, Qwest shall redact all dollar figures from copies of duct/conduit or ROW or multiple tenant environment agreements that have not been publicly recorded that Qwest provides to CLEC.

10.8.2.27.4 In all instances, CLEC will use agreements only for the following purposes: (a) to determine whether Qwest has ownership or control over duct, conduits, or rights-of-way within the property described in the agreement and the scope of such ownership or control; (b) to determine the ownership of wire within the property described in the agreement; (c) to determine the Demarcation Point between Qwest facilities and the Owner's facilities in the property described in the agreement; (d) to determine the extent of the property interest of the third-

party owner, including any provisions that establish the legal description of any property interest of a third-party owner, including any metes and bounds of the property; (e) to determine the term of the agreement; or (f) to determine the parties to the agreement. CLEC further agrees that CLEC shall not disclose the contents, terms, or conditions of any agreement provided pursuant to Section 10.8.2.27 to any CLEC agents or employees engaged in sales or marketing efforts on behalf of CLEC. These limitations shall not apply if CLEC executes the Access Agreement set forth in Attachment 4 to Exhibit D of this Amendment.

### 10.8.3 Rate Elements

Qwest fees for attachments are in accordance with Section 224 of the Act and FCC orders, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as the rates established by the Commission including the following rates, are reflected in Exhibit A.

10.8.3.1 Inquiry Fee. A non-refundable pre-paid charge used to recover the costs associated with performing an internal record review to determine if a requested route and/or facility is available, or with respect to ROW, to determine the information necessary to create the ROW Matrix, which identifies, for each ROW, the name of the original grantor and the nature of the ROW (i.e., publicly recorded and non-recorded) and the MDU Matrix, which identifies each requested legal agreement between Qwest and a third party who has a multi-unit building in Qwest's possession that relates to Telecommunications Services provided to or through real property owned by the third party (MDU Agreement) and, for each such MDU Agreement, the name of the third party. Separate Inquiry Fees apply for ROW, poles and duct/conduit /innerduct.

10.8.3.2 Field Verification Fee/Access Agreement Preparation Fee. In the case of poles and duct/innerduct, the Field Verification Fee is a non-refundable pre-paid charge which recovers the estimated actual costs for a field survey verification required for a route and to determine scope of any required Make-Ready work. Separate Field Verification Fees apply for poles and manholes. In the case of ROW, the Access Agreement Preparation Fee is a non-refundable, pre-paid charge which recovers the estimated actual costs for preparation of the Access Agreement for each ROW requested by CLEC. Field Verification and Access Agreement Preparation Fees shall be billed in advance.

10.8.3.3 Make-Ready Fee. A pre-paid non-refundable (other than true-up) charge which recovers the cost of necessary work required to make the requested facility/ROW available for access. For innerduct, this could include, but is not limited to, the placing of innerduct in conduit/duct systems or core drilling of manholes. For pole attachment requests, this could include, but is not limited to, the replacement of poles to meet required clearances over roads or land. For ROW, this Make-Ready could include, but is not limited to, personnel time, including attorney time. With respect to ROW, Make-Ready work refers to legal or other investigation or analysis arising out of CLEC's failure to comply with the process described in Exhibit D for ROW, or other circumstances giving rise to such work beyond the simple preparation of one or more Access Agreements. The estimated pre-paid fee shall be billed in advance.

10.8.3.4 Pole Attachment Fee. A pre-paid fee which is charged for the occupancy, including during any Make-Ready period, of one foot of pole space (except for antenna attachment which requires two feet). This fee shall be annual unless CLEC

requests that it be semi-annual.

10.8.3.5 Innerduct Occupancy Fee. A pre-paid fee which is charged for the occupancy, including during any Make-Ready period, of an innerduct on a per foot basis. This fee shall be annual unless CLEC requests that it be semi-annual.

10.8.3.6 Access Agreement Consideration. A pre-paid fee which constitutes consideration for conveying access to the ROW to CLEC. This fee shall be a one-time (i.e. nonrecurring) fee.

#### 10.8.4 Ordering

There are two (2) steps required before placing an Order for access to ROW, duct/innerduct and pole space: Inquiry Review and Field Verification.

10.8.4.1 Inquiry Reviews. Upon receipt of an inquiry regarding ROW access, pole attachment or duct/innerduct occupancy, Qwest will provide CLEC with Exhibit D. CLEC will review the documents and provide Qwest with maps of the desired area indicating the routes and entrance points for proposed attachment, proposed occupancy or proposed CLEC construction on Qwest owned or controlled poles, duct/innerduct and ROW as well as the street addresses of any multi-unit buildings upon or through which CLEC proposes construction on ROW owned or controlled by Qwest. CLEC will include the appropriate Inquiry Fee with a completed Attachment 1.A from Exhibit D.

10.8.4.1.1 Inquiry Review – Duct/Conduit/Innerduct. Qwest will complete the database inquiry and prepare a duct/conduit structure diagram (referred to as a "Flatline") which shows distances and access points (such as manholes). Along with the Flatline will be estimated costs for field verification of available facilities. These materials will be provided to the CLEC within ten (10) calendar Days or within the time frames of the applicable federal or state law, rule or regulation.

10.8.4.1.2 Inquiry Review – Poles. Qwest will provide the name and contact number for the appropriate local field engineer for joint validation of the poles and route and estimated costs for field verification on Attachment 1.B of Exhibit D within ten (10) calendar Days of the request.

10.8.4.1.3 Inquiry Review – ROW. Qwest shall, upon request of CLEC, provide the ROW matrix, the MDU matrix and a copy of all publicly recorded agreements listed in those matrices to CLEC within ten (10) Days of the request. Qwest may redact all dollar figures from copies of agreements listed in the Matrices that have not been publicly recorded that Qwest provides to CLEC. Any dispute over whether terms have been redacted appropriately shall be resolved pursuant to the dispute resolution procedures set forth in the Interconnection Agreement. Qwest makes no warranties concerning the accuracy of the information provided to CLEC; CLEC expressly acknowledges that Qwest's files contain only the original ROW instruments, and that the current owner(s) of the fee estate may not be the party identified in the document provided by Qwest.

10.8.4.2 Field Verification – Poles Duct/Innerduct and Access Agreement Preparation (ROW). CLEC will review the Inquiry results and determine whether to

proceed with field verification for poles/ducts or Access Agreement preparation for ROW. If field verification or Access Agreement preparation is desired, CLEC will sign and return Attachment 1.B of Exhibit D along with a check for the relevant verification fee (Field Verification Fee or Access Agreement Preparation Fee) plus \$10.00 per Access Agreement as consideration for the Access Agreement. Upon payment of the relevant fee and Access Agreement consideration, if applicable, Qwest will provide, as applicable: depending on whether the request is for poles, duct/innerduct or ROW: (a) in the case of innerduct/duct/conduit, a field survey and site investigation of the poles or innerduct/duct/conduit, including the preparation of distances and drawings, to determine availability of existing poles/innerduct/duct/conduit; identification of Make-Ready costs required to provide space; the schedule in which the Make-Ready work will be completed; and, the annual recurring prices associated with the attachment of facilities; (b) in the case of ROW, the completed Access Agreement(s), executed and acknowledged by Qwest. Upon completion of the Access Agreement(s) by CLEC, in accordance with the instructions, terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit D, the Access Agreement becomes effective to convey the interest identified in the Access Agreement (if any). Any dispute regarding whether a legal agreement conveys a ROW shall be resolved between CLEC and the relevant third party or parties, and such disputes shall not involve Qwest; and/or (c) In the case of poles, estimates of Make-Ready costs and the annual recurring prices associated with the attachment of facilities shall be as provided on Exhibit A. The Verification of (a), (b), and (c), above, shall be completed by Qwest not later than forty five (45) calendar Days after CLEC's submission of the inquiry request. Make-ready time, if any, and CLEC review time is not part of the forty five (45) Day interval. The Attachment 2 quotation shall be valid for ninety (90) calendar Days.

10.8.4.2.1 CLEC-Performed Field Verification. At the option of CLEC, it may perform its own field verification (in lieu of Qwest performing same) with the following stipulations: 1) Verifications will be conducted by a Qwest approved contractor; 2) A Qwest contractor will monitor the activity of CLEC contractor and a current labor rate will be charged to CLEC; 3) CLEC will provide Qwest with a legible copy of manhole butterfly drawings that reflect necessary Make-Ready effort; and 4) Qwest will use the CLEC-provided butterfly drawings and documentation to check against existing jobs and provide a final field report of available duct/innerduct. CLEC will be charged standard rates for Tactical Planner time.

10.8.4.3 Order – Poles and Duct/Innerduct. The review, signing and return of Attachment 2 of the General Information Document along with payment of the Make-Ready and prorated recurring access charges for the current relevant period (annual or semi-annual) shall be accepted as an Order for the attachment or occupancy. Upon receipt of the accepted Order from CLEC and applicable payment for the fees identified, Qwest will assign the requested space and commence any Make-Ready work which may be required. Qwest will notify CLEC when poles/duct/innerduct are ready.

10.8.4.4 Make-Ready - Estimates of Make-Ready are used to cover actual Make-Ready costs.

10.8.4.4.1 If Qwest requests, CLEC will be responsible for payment of the actual Make-Ready costs determined if such costs exceed the estimate. Such payment shall be made within thirty (30) Days of receipt of an invoice for the costs that exceed the estimate.

10.8.4.4.2 Within fifteen (15) business days of a request, Qwest will provide CLEC copies of records reflecting actual cost of Make-Ready work; provided, however, that, if Qwest does not possess all such records at the time of the request, then Qwest will provide copies of such records within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of such records. CLEC must request such records, if at all, within sixty (60) calendar Days after written notification of the completion of the Make-Ready work.

10.8.4.4.3 If the actual Make-Ready costs are less than the estimate, an appropriate credit for the difference will be issued upon request. Such request must be received within sixty (60) calendar Days following CLEC's receipt of copies of records if CLEC has requested records under this paragraph, or within sixty (60) calendar Days after written notification of the completion of Make-Ready work if CLEC has not requested records under this paragraph. Such credit will issue within ten (10) business days of Qwest's receipt of either all records related to such actual costs or CLEC's request for credit, whichever comes last, but in no event later than ninety (90) calendar Days following the request for credit.

10.8.4.4.4 If CLEC cancels or if, due to circumstances unforeseen during inquiry/verification, Qwest denies the request for poles, ducts or ROW, upon CLEC request, Qwest will also refund the difference between the actual Make-Ready costs incurred and those prepaid by CLEC, if any. Such request must be made within thirty (30) calendar Days of CLEC's receipt of written denial or notification of cancellation. Any such refund shall be made within ten (10) business days of either receipt of CLEC's request or Qwest's receipt of all records relating to the actual costs, whichever comes last, but in no event later than ninety (90) calendar Days following the denial.

## 10.8.5 Billing

CLEC agrees to pay the following fees in advance as specified in Attachments 1.A, 1.B, and 2 of Exhibit D: Inquiry Fee, Field Verification Fee, Access Agreement Preparation Fee, Make-Ready Fee, Pole Attachment Fee, Duct/Innerduct Occupancy Fee and Access Agreement Consideration. Make-Ready Fees will be computed in compliance with applicable local, state and federal guidelines. Usage fees for poles/duct/innerduct (i.e., Pole Attachment Fee and Duct/Innerduct Occupancy Fee) will be assessed on an annual basis (unless CLEC requests a semi-annual basis). Annual usage fees for poles/duct/innerduct will be assessed as of January 1 of each year. Semi-annual usage fees for poles/duct/innerduct will be assessed as of January 1 and July 1 of each year. All fees shall be paid within thirty (30) Days following receipt of invoices. All fees are not refundable except as expressly provided herein.

## 10.8.6 Maintenance and Repair

In the event of any service outage affecting both Qwest and CLEC, repairs shall be effectuated on a non-discriminatory basis as established by local, state or federal requirements. Where such requirements do not exist, repairs shall be made in the following order: electrical, telephone (EAS/local), telephone (long distance), and cable television, or as mutually agreed to by the users of the affected poles/duct/innerduct.