

## ATTACHMENT 15

### **RECIPROCAL COMPENSATION FOR CALL TERMINATION AGREEMENT**

1. This Attachment describes the reciprocal compensation arrangements between AT&T and GTE for Local Traffic, Toll, and Switched Access Services. The Parties shall compensate each other for transport and termination of such traffic at the rates provided in Attachment 14 (Pricing) and/or the appropriate Parties' Switched Access Tariff.
2. Compensation for Call Termination
  - A. Reciprocal compensation does not apply in a resale environment.
  - B. The following compensation terms, as specified in Unbundled Network Element pricing listed in Attachment 14, shall apply in all cases where AT&T purchases GTE's unbundled Local Switching:
    - a)
      1. For Local intra-switch calls between lines connected to GTE's switch where AT&T has purchased GTE's unbundled Local Switching, the Parties agree to impose no call termination charges on each other. GTE's Local Switching charge will apply as described below where the call is :
        - a)
          - (a) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to a GTE customer:
            - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.
          - a)
            - (b) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to the customer of a third party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) using GTE's unbundled Local Switching:
              - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.
          - a)

(c) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to another of AT&T's customers using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.

(1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.

(d) Originated by a GTE customer and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.

(1) No Local Switching charge will apply.

(e) Originated by the customer of a third party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) using GTE's Unbundled Local Switching and terminated to AT&T's customers using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.

a)

(1) No Local Switching charge will apply to AT&T.

2. For Local inter-switch calls where AT&T has purchased GTE's unbundled Local Switching, the Parties agree to call termination charges as applicable and as described in Attachment 14, Appendix 4, Section 2. **No charges will apply if "Bill and Keep" is in effect under Attachment 14.**

a)

GTE's charges will apply to AT&T as described below where the call is:

a)

(a) Originated from AT&T's end-user customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching and completed to a GTE customer.

(1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.

(2) A mileage-based transport charge will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport.

- (3) (For call termination) Charges for local interconnection/call termination, when applicable, as set forth in Attachment 14, Appendix 4.
- (b) Originated from AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching and completed to a third party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.
  - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.
  - (2) A mileage-based transport charge will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport.
- a)
  - (c) Originated from AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching and completed to the interconnected network of a third party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T).
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.
    - (2) A mileage-based transport charge will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport, and mileage shall be measured between the originating office and the POI of the third party's network.
- (d) Originated from AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching and completed to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.
  - a)
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office will apply to AT&T.
    - (2) A mileage-based transport charge will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport.

(3) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office.

(e) Originated by a GTE customer and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.

**(1) Where rates are symmetrical for reciprocal compensation, the parties will use "bill and keep" .**

**(2) Where rates are not symmetrical, the parties will charge as follows:**

**(a (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching Charge at the terminating office will apply to AT&T.**

**(b (For call termination) AT&T shall charge GTE for local interconnection/call termination, when applicable, as set forth in Attachment 14, Appendix 4.**

(f) Originated by a customer of a third-party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) using GTE's unbundled Local Switching and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.

(1) For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office will apply to AT&T.

(g) Originated by a customer on the interconnected network of a third-party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.

(1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office will apply to AT&T.

a)

3. For intraLATA toll calls where AT&T has purchased GTE's unbundled Local Switching, charges per Unbundled Network Element pricing listed in Attachment 14 shall apply as follows:

- a)
- (a) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to a GTE customer.
- (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge plus RIC (Residual Interconnection Charge) **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC (Common Carrier Line Charge) at the originating office will apply to AT&T, **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
- (2) Shared transport charge between the two offices will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport.
- (3) (For call termination) End Office Switching charge at the terminating office (Switched Access Rate) will apply to AT&T.
- (4) RIC discounted seventy-five percent (75%) at the terminating office, if such charge is required by the Commission.
- (b) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to the customer of a third-party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) using GTE's unbundled Local Switching in a distant end office.
- (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC at the originating office will apply to AT&T **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
- (2) Shared transport charge between the two offices will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport.

- (c) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to the network of third-party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) interconnected with GTE's network.
- (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge, plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC, at the originating office will apply to AT&T **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
  - (2) Common transport charge will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport, and mileage shall be measured between the originating office and the POI of the third party's network.
  - (3) Tandem Switching, where applicable.
- (d) Originated by AT&T's customer and completed to another of AT&T's customers being served through GTE's unbundled Local Switching in a distant office.
- (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge, plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC at the originating office will apply to AT&T **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
  - (2) Shared transport charge between the two offices will apply when AT&T uses GTE's transport.
  - (3) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC at the terminating office will apply to AT&T **if such charges are required by the Commission.**

- (e) Originated by a GTE customer and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.
  - a)
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC at the terminating office **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
    - (2) (For call termination:) AT&T will charge GTE Local Switching at the terminating office (Switched Access Rate).
    - (3) (For call termination:) AT&T will charge GTE RIC discounted seventy-five percent (75%) at the terminating office if such charge is required by the Commission.
  - (f) Originated by the customer of a third-party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) using GTE's unbundled Local Switching in a distant end office and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC at the terminating office will apply to AT&T **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
  - (g) Originated by a customer on the network of a third-party LEC (not affiliated with AT&T) interconnected with GTE's network and terminated to AT&T's customer using GTE's unbundled Local Switching.
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge plus RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC at the terminating office will apply to

**AT&T if such charges are required by the Commission.**

4. For intrastate Switched Access calls where AT&T is using GTE's unbundled Local Switching for calls originated from or terminated to an IXC for completion:[ Note: Any discussion of AT&T arrangements with third parties has been deleted as not necessary for this Agreement]
  - a)
    - (a) For calls originated from AT&T's customer to AT&T's own IXC switch (or that of an affiliate) for completion.
      - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office.
      - (2) Originating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
      - (3) GTE will charge AT&T's IXC affiliate the following Switched Access elements on a meet-point basis:
        - a. Local Transport
        - b. Tandem Switching
    - (b) For calls originated from AT&T's customer to an IXC's switch not affiliated with AT&T.
      - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office.
      - (2) Originating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC **if such charges are required by the Commission.**



- (3) GTE shall charge the non-affiliated IXC for the following originating Switched Access on a meet-point basis:
  - a. Local Transport
  - b. Tandem Switching
- (c) For calls terminating to AT&T's end-user customer from AT&T's own IXC switch (or that of an affiliate) for completion.
  - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office.
  - (2) Terminating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
  - (3) GTE will charge AT&T's IXC (affiliate) the following Switched Access elements on a meet-point basis:
    - a. Local Transport
    - b. Tandem Switching
- (d) For calls terminating to AT&T's customer from an IXC switch not affiliated with AT&T.
  - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office.
  - (2) Terminating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCLC **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
  - (3) GTE shall charge the IXC for the following terminating Switched Access on a meet-point basis:

- a. Local Transport
  - b. Tandem Switching
5. For interstate Switched Access calls where AT&T is using GTE's unbundled Local Switching for calls originated from or terminated to an IXC for completion:
- (a) For calls originated from AT&T's customer to AT&T's own IXC switch (or that of an affiliate) for completion.
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office.
    - (2) Originating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCL **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
    - (3) GTE shall charge AT&T's IXC affiliate for the following originating Switched Access on a meet-point basis:
      - a. Local Transport
      - b. Tandem Switching
  - (b) For calls originated from AT&T's customer to an IXC's switch not affiliated with AT&T.
    - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the originating office.
    - (2) Originating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCL **if such charges are required by the Commission.**

- (3) GTE shall charge the IXC for the following originating Switched Access on a meet-point basis:
  - a. Local Transport
  - b. Tandem Switching
  
- (c) For calls terminating to AT&T's customer from AT&T's own IXC switch (or that of an affiliate) for completion.
  - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office.
  - (2) Terminating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCL **if such charges are required by the Commission.**
  - (3) GTE will charge AT&T's IXC (affiliate) the following Switched Access elements on a meet-point basis:
    - a. Local Transport
    - b. Tandem Switching
  
- d) For calls terminating to AT&T's customer from an IXC switch not affiliated with AT&T.
  - (1) (For use of the local switch:) Local Switching charge at the terminating office.
  - (2) Terminating RIC **discounted seventy-five percent (75%)** and CCL **if such charges are required by the Commission.**

(3) GTE shall charge the non-affiliated IXC for the following terminating Switched Access on a meet-point basis:

a. Local Transport

b. Tandem Switching

C. The following terms apply where AT&T and GTE interconnect using their own networks.

1. For Local Traffic and intraLATA Toll traffic originated by AT&T (or CLCs subtending its network) to GTE, AT&T agrees to pay GTE the following:

(a) Local calls: Unless otherwise provided in Attachment 14, Bill and Keep shall apply to Local Traffic. In the event traffic (as defined from the point of interconnection) is out of balance, the rate specified in Attachment 14 shall apply.

(b) Toll calls: The following rate elements are applicable to intraLATA toll calls where AT&T is not using the LATA-wide termination option: Toll calls: **The following** GTE Intrastate Switched Access rate elements are applicable to intraLATA toll calls where AT&T is not using the LATA-wide termination option.

**(1) For common switched transport where GTE's tandem is used:**

**(a) Fixed - per minute of use.**

**(b) Variable - per mile per minute of use. Mileage shall be calculated based on the airline miles between the Vertical and Horizontal ("V&H") coordinates of the POI, and the GTE end office or Competitive Local Carrier routing point.**

(c) **Tandem Switching.**

(2) **End Office switching.**

(c) Toll calls: The following rate elements are applicable to intraLATA toll calls where AT&T is utilizing the LATA-wide termination option.

- (1) End Office Switching:
- (2) Transport:
- (3) Information Surcharge:

The above rates shall be subject to change based on the agreements between the intrastate IntraLATA toll providers in the State.

2. For Local Traffic and intraLATA Toll traffic originated from GTE to AT&T, GTE agrees to pay AT&T the following:

(a) Local calls: Unless otherwise provided in Attachment 14, Bill and Keep shall apply to Local Traffic. In the event traffic (as defined from the point of interconnection) is out of balance, the rate specified in Attachment 14, Appendix 4, Annex 1 shall apply.

(b) Toll calls: The following rate elements are applicable to intraLATA toll calls where GTE is not using the LATA-wide termination option: Toll calls: **The following** AT&T Intrastate Switched Access rate elements are applicable to intraLATA toll calls where AT&T is not using the LATA-wide termination option.==

(1) **For common switched transport where AT&T's tandem is used:**

(a) **Fixed - per minute of use.**

- (b) Variable - per mile per minute of use. Mileage shall be calculated based on the airline miles between the Vertical and Horizontal ("V&H") coordinates of the POI, and the AT&T end office or Competitive Local Carrier/AT&T routing point.**
- (c) Tandem Switching.**
- (2) End Office switching.**