

Excerpts from Interconnection Agreement Between Pac-West and Qwest (February 14, 2001) (Pac-West opted in to the interconnection agreement between Qwest and Northwest Telephone, Inc.):

(A)1. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

(A)1.1 Pursuant to this negotiated Local Interconnection Agreement ("Agreement"), Northwest, a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier, and USW (collectively, "the Parties") will extend certain arrangements to one another within the geographical areas in which both Parties are providing local exchange service at that time, and for which USW is the incumbent Local Exchange Carrier within the state of Washington for purposes of providing local Telecommunications Services. This Agreement includes terms, conditions, and prices for network Interconnection, access to Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs), ancillary network services, and retail services available for resale. It will be submitted to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for approval. Notwithstanding this mutual commitment, however, the Parties enter into this Agreement without prejudice to any positions they have taken previously, or may take in the future in any legislative, regulatory, or other public forum addressing any matters, including matters related to the types of arrangements prescribed by this Agreement.

(A)2.2 "Access Services" refers to the Tariffed interstate and intrastate switched access and private line transport services offered for the origination and/or termination of interexchange traffic, including phone to phone voice interexchange traffic that is transmitted over a carriers' packet switched network using protocols such as TCP/IP (see each Party's appropriate state and interstate access Tariffs).

(A)2.19 "Extended Area Service (EAS)/Local Traffic" (Exchange Service) means traffic that is originated by an end user of one Party and terminates to an end user of the other Party as defined in accordance with USW's then current EAS/local serving areas, as determined by the Commission.

(C)2.3.4.1.3 As set forth above, the Parties agree that reciprocal compensation only applies to Local Traffic and further agree that the FCC has determined that traffic originated by either Party (the "Originating Party") and delivered to the other Party, which in turn delivers the traffic to an enhanced service provider (the "Delivering Party") is primarily interstate in nature. Consequently, the Delivering Party must identify which, if any, of this traffic is Local Traffic. The Originating Party will only pay reciprocal compensation for the traffic the Delivering Party has substantiated to be Local Traffic. In the absence of such substantiation, such traffic shall be presumed to be interstate.

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(C)3. Jointly Provided Switched Access Services

- (C)3.1 Switched Access Service is defined and governed by the FCC and State Access Tariffs, MECAB and MECOD, and is not modified by any provisions of this Agreement. Both Parties agree to comply with such guidelines. A summary of applicable guidelines is available in the Interconnect & Resale Resource Guide.
 - (C)3.1.1 USW and Northwest agree to exchange all records necessary for the billing of jointly provided switched access. The records to be exchanged include Category 11-01 and 11-50 access records as defined in the MECAB/MECOD documents.
- (C)3.2 USW will agree to function as the Access Service Coordinator (ASC) as defined in the Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design Guidelines (MECOD) (Technical Reference SR-TAP-000984). USW will provide the operational, technical and administrative support required in the planning, provisioning and maintenance involved in the joint access provisioning process to the IXC's. USW will be unable to fulfill the role of ASC if Northwest does not fully comply with MECOD requirements, including filing their end offices and BPs (Billed Percentages) in the NECA 4 Tariff.
- (C)3.3 USW and Northwest will each render a separate bill to the IXC, using the multiple bill, multiple tariff option.