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Date General Information Provided by Qwest: _____

General Agreement : _____

BAN Number(must be assigned before processing): _____

REVISED QWEST RIGHT OF WAY, POLE ATTACHMENT, INNERDUCT OCCUPANCY GENERAL INFORMATION: EFFECTIVE 6/29/01

- 1 **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this General Information document is to share information and provide or deny permission to attach and maintain CLEC's facilities ("Facilities") to Qwest Corporation's ("Qwest") Poles, to place Facilities on or within Qwest's Innerduct (collectively "Poles/Innerduct") and to obtain access to Qwest's private right of way ("ROW"), to the extent Qwest has the right to grant such access. This General Information is necessary to determine if Qwest can meet the needs of the CLEC's request but does not guarantee that physical space or access is currently available. Permission will be granted on a first-come, first-serve basis on the terms and conditions set forth in the appropriate agreement pertaining to "Poles/Innerduct".
- 2 **PROCESS.** The Qwest process is designed to provide the CLEC the information so as to assist CLEC and Qwest to make Poles, Innerduct and ROW decisions in a cost-efficient manner. The Process has these distinct steps:

2.1 **Inquiry Review - Attachment 1.A (Database Search).** The CLEC is requested to review this document and return Attachment 1.A along with two copies of a map and the nonrefundable Inquiry Fee, calculated in accordance with Attachment 1.A hereto. These fees are intended to cover Qwest's expenses associated with performing an internal record (database) review, preparing a cost estimate for the required field survey, setting up an account, and determining time frames for completion of each task to meet the CLEC's Request. Be sure a BAN number is assigned by the Qwest Service Support Representative for each request before sending an Attachment 1.A. To request a BAN number send an email requesting one to: wholesale.servicessupportteam@qwest.com. Include your name, company, phone number, email address, city and state of our inquiry. A BAN number will be assigned to your inquiry and will be emailed to you along with other materials.

As indicated on Attachment 1.A, a copy of the signed Attachment and maps of the desired route must be emailed to wholesale.servicessupportteam@qwest.com while the fee must be sent to the Qwest CLEC Joint Use Manager with the original signed Attachment 1.A. The map should clearly show street names and highways along the entire route, and specific locations of entry and exit of the ROW/duct/pole system. Area Maps should be legible and identify all significant geographic characteristics including, but not limited to, the following: Qwest central offices, streets, cities, states, lakes, rivers, mountains, etc. Qwest reserves the right to reject illegible or incomplete maps. If CLEC wishes to terminate at a particular manhole (such as a POI) it must be indicated on the maps. For ROW: Section, Range and Township, to the ¼ section must also be provided.

Qwest will complete the Inquiry review and prepare and return a Poles/Innerduct Verification/ROW Access Agreement Preparation Costs Quotation (Attachment 1.B) to the CLEC generally within ten (10) days or the applicable federal or state law, rule or regulation that governs this Agreement in the state in which Innerduct attachment is requested. In the case of poles, Qwest will assign a Field Engineer and provide his/her name and phone number to the CLEC. The Field Engineer will check the local database and be available for a joint verification with the CLEC. The Poles/Innerduct Verification/ROW Access Agreement Preparation Costs Quotation will be valid for thirty (30) calendar days from the date of quotation. The Inquiry step results only in the location and mapping of Qwest facilities and does not indicate whether space is available. This information is provided with Attachment 1.B.

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In the case of ROW, Qwest will prepare and return a ROW information matrix and a copy of agreements listed in the ROW Matrix, within ten (10) days. The ROW Matrix will identify (a) the owner of the ROW as reflected in Qwest's records, and (b) the nature of each ROW (i.e., publicly recorded and non-recorded). The ROW information matrix will also indicate whether or not Qwest has a copy of the ROW agreement in its possession. Qwest makes no representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of its records, and CLEC acknowledges that, to the extent that real property rights run with the land, the original granting party may not be the current owner of the property.

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; and (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 Agreement. Qwest shall redact all dollar figures from copies of agreements that have not been publicly recorded that Qwest provides to CLEC and shall require that the MTE owner or operator make similar redactions prior to disclosure of the agreement

In the case of MDUs, Qwest will prepare and return an MDU information matrix, within ten (10) days, which will identify (a) the owner of the MDU as reflected in Qwest's records, and (b) whether or not Qwest has a copy of the agreement between Qwest and the owner of a specific multi-dwelling unit that grants Qwest access to the multi-dwelling unit in its possession. Qwest makes no representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of its records, and CLEC acknowledges that the original landowner may not be the current owner of the property. Qwest will redact all dollar figures from copies of agreements listed in the Matrices.

If there is no other effective agreement (i.e., an Interconnection Agreement) between CLEC and Qwest concerning access to Poles, Ducts and ROW, then Attachment 3 must be executed by both parties in order to start the Inquiry Review and in order for CLEC to obtain access to Poles, Ducts and/or ROW.

2.2 Attachment 1.B (Verification) & Attachment 4 (Access Agreement Preparation). With respect to Poles and Innerduct, upon review and acceptance of signed Attachment 1.B and payment of the estimated verification costs by the CLEC, Qwest will conduct facilities verification and provide the requested information which may or may not include the following: a review of public and/or internal Qwest right-of-ways records for restrictions, identification of additional rights-of-way required; a field survey and site investigation of the Innerduct, including the preparation of distances and drawings, to determine availability on existing Innerduct; identification of any make-ready costs required to be paid by the CLEC, if applicable, prior to installing its facilities. In the case of Poles, Attachment 1.B orders the field verification which may be done jointly. A copy of the signed Attachment 1.B should be emailed to wholesale.servicessupportteam@qwest.com while the appropriate fees should be sent to the

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Qwest-CLEC Joint Use Manager with the original signed Attachment 1.B. Upon completion of the verification, Attachment 2 will be sent to the CLEC by Qwest.

With respect to ROW, upon review and acceptance of signed Attachment 1.B and payment of the ROW conveyance consideration, Qwest will deliver to the CLEC an executed and acknowledged Access Agreement to the CLEC in the form attached hereto as Attachment 4 (the "Access Agreement"). In the event that the ROW in question was created by a publicly recorded document and Qwest has a copy of such document in its files, a copy of the Right-of-Way Agreement, as defined in the Access Agreement, will be attached to the Access Agreement and provided to the CLEC at the time of delivery of the Access Agreement. If the ROW was created by a document that is not publicly recorded, or if Qwest does not have a copy of the Right-of-Way Agreement in its possession, the Access Agreement will not have a copy of the Right-of-Way Agreement attached.

Although Qwest will provide the identity of the original grantor of the ROW, as reflected in Qwest's records, the CLEC is responsible for determining the current owner of the property and obtaining the proper signature and acknowledgement to the Access Agreement. If the ROW was created by a publicly recorded document, the CLEC must record the Access Agreement (with the Right-of-Way Agreement attached) in the real property records of the county in which the property is located. If the ROW was created by a grant or agreement that is not publicly recorded, CLEC must provide Qwest with a copy of the properly executed and acknowledged Access Agreement.

Qwest is required to respond to each Attachment 1.B. submitted by CLEC within 35 days of receiving the Attachment 1.B. If access is not granted within 35 days of the submission of the Attachment 1.B, Qwest will confirm the denial in writing by the 35th day.

2.3 Poles/Duct Order Attachment 2 (Access). In the case of Poles and Innerduct, upon completion of the inquiry and verification work described in Section 2.2 above, Qwest will provide the CLEC a Poles/Innerduct Order (Attachment 2) containing annual recurring charges, estimated Make-ready costs. Upon receipt of the executed Attachment 2 Order form from the CLEC and applicable payment for the Make-Ready Fees identified, Qwest will assign the CLEC's requested space; Qwest will also commence the Make-ready work within 30 days following payment of the Make-Ready Fees. Qwest will notify CLEC when Poles/Innerduct are ready for attachment or placement of Facilities. A copy of the signed Attachment 2 form should be emailed to wholesale.servicessupportteam@qwest.com while the payment should go to the Joint Use Manager along with the original signed Attachment 2.

NOTE: Make-ready work performed by Qwest concerns labor only. For Poles it involves rearrangement to accommodate the new attachment. For Innerduct, it involves placing the standard three innerducts in the conduit to accommodate fiber cable where spare conduit exists. Segments without conduit space are considered "blocked". Qwest will consider repair or clearing damaged facilities, but may not construct new facilities as part of Make-ready work.

Construction work to place conduit or replace poles may be required where facilities are blocked. The CLEC may contract separately with a Qwest-approved contractor to complete the construction provided a Qwest inspector inspects the work during and after construction. If other parties benefit from construction, the costs may be divided among the beneficiaries. Construction costs are not included in Attachment 2. The CLEC is not encouraged to sign the Poles/Innerduct Order (Attachment 2) until provisions have been made for construction.

2.4 Provision of ROW/Poles/Innerduct. Qwest agrees to issue to CLEC for any lawful telecommunications purpose, a nonexclusive, revocable Order authorizing CLEC to install,

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maintain, rearrange, transfer, and remove at its sole expense its Facilities on Poles/Innerduct to the extent owned or controlled by Qwest. Qwest provides access to Poles/Innerduct/ROW in accordance with the applicable federal, state, or local law, rule, or regulation, incorporated herein by this reference, and said body of law, which governs this Agreement in the state in which Poles/Innerduct is provided. Any and all rights granted to CLEC shall be subject to and subordinate to any future federal, state, and/or local requirements. Nothing in this General Information shall be construed to require or compel Qwest to construct, install, modify, or place any Poles/Innerduct or other facility for use by the CLEC.

The costs included in the Poles/Innerduct Verification Fee are used to cover the costs incurred by Qwest in determining if Poles/Innerduct space is available to meet the CLEC's request; however, the CLEC must agree and will be responsible for payment of the actual costs incurred if such costs exceed the estimate. If the actual costs are less than the estimate, an appropriate credit can be provided upon request. If Qwest denies access, Qwest shall do so in writing, specifying the reasons for denial within 45 days of the initial inquiry.

Likewise, the fees included in the ROW processing costs quotation are used to cover the costs incurred by Qwest in searching its databases and preparing the Access Agreement. In the event that complications arise with respect to preparing the Access Agreement or any other aspect of conveying access to Qwest's ROW, the CLEC agrees to be responsible for payment of the actual costs incurred if such costs exceed the standard fees; actual costs shall include, without limitation, personnel time, including attorney time.

3. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

3.1. Other than those claims over which a federal or state regulatory agency has exclusive jurisdiction, all claims, regardless of legal theory, whenever brought and whether between the parties or between one of the parties to this Agreement and the employees, agents or affiliated businesses of the other party, shall be resolved by arbitration. A single arbitrator engaged in the practice of law and knowledgeable about telecommunications law shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the then current rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") unless otherwise provided herein. The arbitrator shall be selected in accordance with AAA procedures from a list of qualified people maintained by AAA. The arbitration shall be conducted in the regional AAA office closest to where the claim arose.

3.2. All expedited procedures prescribed by the AAA shall apply. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding and judgment may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

3.3. Other than the determination of those claims over which a regulatory agency has exclusive jurisdiction, federal law (including the provisions of the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. Sections 1-16) shall govern and control with respect to any issue relating to the validity of this Agreement to arbitrate and the arbitrability of the claims.

3.4. If any party files a judicial or administrative action asserting claims subject to arbitration, and another party successfully stays such action and/or compels arbitration of such claims, the party filing the action shall pay the other party's costs and expenses incurred in seeking such stay or compelling arbitration, including reasonable attorney's fees.

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ATTACHMENT 1. A Poles/Innerduct/ or ROW Inquiry Preparation Fee

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BAN Number (one for each route must be assigned before processing): _____

Date Submitted: _____ Date Replied to CLEC: _____

CLEC Name _____ Contact name: _____

Billing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ e-mail address: _____

State and city of inquiry: _____

Poles/Innerduct Permit Database Search Costs Quotation

(One Mile Minimum)

	<u>Costs</u>	<u>Est. Miles</u>	<u>Total</u>
1. Pole Inquiry Fee (see attached pricing chart) X _____			= \$ _____
2. Innerduct Inquiry Fee (see attached pricing chart) X _____			= \$ _____
3. ROW Records Inquiry (see attached pricing chart) X _____			= \$ _____
4. Estimated Interval for Completion of Items 1, 2 or 3: _____	10		Days
5. Additional requirements of CLEC: _____			

This Inquiry will result in (a) for Poles and Innerduct: a drawing of the duct or innerduct structure fitting the requested route, if available, and a quote of the charges for field verification, and/or (b) in the case of ROW, a ROW identification matrix, a quote of the charges for preparation of and consideration for, the necessary Access Agreements, and copies of ROW documents in Qwest's Possession. (c) For Poles, the name and telephone number of the Field Engineer are provided so that the CLEC may contact the Qwest Field engineer and discuss attachment plans. If a field verification of poles is required, Attachment 1.B must be completed and the appropriate charges paid. Innerduct verification is always needed.

By signing below and providing payment of the Estimated Costs identified above, the CLEC desires Qwest to proceed with the processing of its database/records search and acknowledges receipt of this General Information, including the General Terms and Conditions under which Qwest offers such Poles/Innerduct. Quotes expire in 30 days.

	Qwest Corporation
Signature	Signature
Name Typed or Printed	Name Typed or Printed
Title	Title
Date	Date

This signed form (original) must be sent with a check for the Inquiry amount (to "Qwest") to:
Manager, Qwest Joint Use, 6912 S Quentin, Suite 101, Englewood, CO 80112 303-784-0387
 A copy of this form must be sent with two acceptably-detailed maps showing the requested route to:
Qwest Service Representative at: wholesale.servicessupportteam@qwest.com. Put "Agree" on signature line.

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ATTACHMENT 1.B

General Agreement _____

BAN Number: _____

Poles/Innerduct Verification/ROW Access Agreement Preparation Costs Quotation

Date Nonrefundable Received: _____

Date Replied to CLEC: _____

****NOTE: THIS ATTACHMENT WILL BE COMPLETED BY QWEST AND SENT TO THE CLEC FOR SIGNATURE AFTER THE DATABASE INQUIRY IS COMPLETE.****

	Estimated Costs	Number	Total Charge
1. Pole Field Verification Fee (10 pole minimum)	_____	_____	\$ _____
2. Innerduct Field Verification Fee	_____	_____	\$ _____
3. Preparation of private ROW documents	_____	_____	\$ _____
4. Access Agreement Prep. and Consideration \$10/ Access Agreement	_____	_____	\$ _____
5. Estimated Interval to Complete Items 1 or 2 or 3 and/or 4:	_____	_____	Working Days

Comments: _____

By signing below and providing payment of the Total Estimated Costs identified above, the CLEC desires Qwest to proceed with the processing of its field survey/preparation of Access Agreements, and acknowledges receipt of this General Information, including the General Terms and Conditions under which Qwest offers such ROW/Poles/Innerduct. The CLEC acknowledges the above costs are estimates only and CLEC may be financially responsible for final actual costs which exceed this estimate, or receive credit if requested. Quotes expire in 30 days.

	Qwest Corporation
Signature	Signature
Name Typed or Printed	Name Typed or Printed
Title	Title
Date	Date

The original signed form must be sent with a check for the verification amount to:
Manager, Qwest CLEC Joint Use, 6912 S Quentin, Suite 101, Englewood, CO 80112

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An email copy of this form must be sent to: wholesale.servicessupportteam@qwest.com, with "Agree" on the signature line.

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ATTACHMENT 3

General Agreement: _____

QWEST RIGHT OF WAY ACCESS, POLE ATTACHMENT AND/OR INNERDUCT OCCUPANCY GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This is an Agreement between _____ ("CLEC") and Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), for one or more Orders for the CLEC to obtain access to Qwest's Right-of-Way ("ROW") and/or to install/attach and maintain their communications facilities ("Facilities") to Qwest's Poles and/or placement of Facilities on or within Qwest's Innerduct (collectively "Poles/Innerduct") described in the General Information and CLEC Map, which are incorporated herein by this reference (singularly "Order" or collectively, "Orders"). If there is no other effective agreement (*i.e.*, an Interconnection Agreement) between CLEC and Qwest concerning access to Poles, Ducts and ROW, then this Agreement/Attachment 3 must be executed by both parties in order to start the Inquiry Review and in order for CLEC to obtain access to Poles, Ducts and/or ROW.

1. SCOPE.

- 1.1 Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, Qwest agrees to issue to CLEC for any lawful telecommunications purpose, (a) one or more nonexclusive, revocable Orders authorizing CLEC to attach, maintain, rearrange, transfer, and remove at its sole expense its Facilities on Poles/Innerduct owned or controlled by Qwest, and/or (b) access to Qwest's ROW to the extent that (i) such ROW exists, and (ii) Qwest has the right to grant access to the CLEC. Any and all rights granted to CLEC shall be subject to and subordinate to any future local, state and/or federal requirements, and in the case of ROW, to the original document granting the ROW to Qwest or its predecessors.
- 1.2 Except as expressly provided herein, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require or compel Qwest to construct, install, modify, or place any Poles/Innerduct or other facility for use by CLEC or to obtain any ROW for CLEC's use.
- 1.3 Qwest agrees to provide access to ROW/Poles/Innerduct in accordance with the applicable local, state or federal law, rule, or regulation, incorporated herein by this reference, which governs this Agreement in the state in which Poles/Innerduct is provided.

2. **TERM.** Any Order issued under this Agreement for Pole attachments or Innerduct occupancy shall continue in effect for the term specified in the Order. Any access to ROW shall be non-exclusive and perpetual, subject to the terms and conditions of the Access Agreement (as hereinafter defined) and the original instrument granting the ROW to Qwest. This Agreement shall continue during such time CLEC is providing Poles/Innerduct attachments under any Order to this Agreement.

3. TERMINATION WITHOUT CAUSE.

- 3.1 To the extent permitted by law, either party may terminate this Agreement (which will have the effect of terminating all Orders hereunder), or any individual Order(s) hereunder, without cause, by providing notice of such termination in writing and by certified Mail to the other party. The written notice for termination without cause shall be dated as of the day it is mailed and shall be effective no sooner than one hundred twenty (120) calendar days from the date of such notice.

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- 3.2. Termination of this Agreement or any Order hereunder does not release either party from any liability under this Agreement that may have accrued or that arises out of any claim that may have been accruing at the time of termination, including indemnity, warranties, and confidential information.
- 3.3. If Qwest terminates this Agreement for Cause, or if CLEC terminates this Agreement without Cause, 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/Innerduct within sixty (60) days, or cause Qwest to remove its Facilities from the Poles/Innerduct at CLEC's expense; provided, however, that CLEC shall be liable for and pay all fees and charges provided for in this Agreement to Qwest until CLEC's Facilities are physically removed. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, upon the termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever, all Orders hereunder shall simultaneously terminate.
- 3.4. If this Agreement or any Order is terminated for reasons other than Cause, then CLEC shall remove its Facilities from Poles/Innerduct within one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of termination; provided, however, that CLEC shall be liable for and pay all fees and charges provided for in this Agreement to Qwest until CLEC's Facilities are physically removed.
- 3.5. Qwest may abandon or sell any Poles/Innerduct at any time by giving written notice to the CLEC. Upon abandonment of Poles/Innerduct, and with the concurrence of the other CLEC(s), if necessary, CLEC shall, within sixty (60) days of such notice, either apply for usage with the new owner or purchase the Poles/Innerduct from Qwest, or remove its Facilities therefrom. Failure to remove its Facilities within sixty (60) days shall be deemed an election to purchase the Poles/Innerduct at the current market value.

4. CHARGES AND BILLING.

- 4.1. CLEC agrees to pay Qwest Poles/Innerduct usage fees ("Fees") as specified in the Order. Fees will be computed in compliance with applicable local, state and Federal law, regulations and guidelines. Such Fees will be assessed, in advance on an annual basis. Annual Fees will be assessed as of January 1st of each year. Fees are not refundable except as expressly provided herein. CLEC shall pay all applicable Fees and charges specified herein within thirty (30) days from receipt of invoice. Any outstanding invoice will be subject to applicable finance charges.
- 4.2. Qwest has the right to revise Fees, at its sole discretion, upon written notice to CLEC within at least sixty (60) days prior to the end of any annual billing period.

5. INSURANCE. The CLEC shall obtain and maintain at its own cost and expense the following insurance during the life of the Contract:

- 5.1. Workers' Compensation and/or Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers Compensation insurance with (1) statutory limits of coverage for all employees as required by statute; and (2) although not required by statute, coverage for any employee on the job site; and (3) Stop Gap liability or employer's liability insurance with a limit of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for each accident.

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- 5.2 General liability insurance providing coverage for underground hazard coverage (commonly referred to as "U" coverage), products/completed operations, premises operations, independent contractor's protection (required if contractor subcontracts the work), broad form property damage and contractual liability with respect to liability assumed by the CLEC hereunder. This insurance shall also include: (1) explosion hazard coverage (commonly referred to as "X" coverage) if the work involves blasting and (2) collapse hazard coverage (commonly referred to as "C" coverage) if the work may cause structural damage due to excavation, burrowing, tunneling, caisson work, or underpinning. The limits of liability for this coverage shall be not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury or property damage. These limits of liability can be obtained through any combination of primary and excess or umbrella liability insurance.
- 5.3 Comprehensive automobile liability insurance covering the use and maintenance of owned, non-owned and hired vehicles. The limits of liability for this coverage shall be not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury or property damage. These limits of liability can be obtained through any combination of primary and excess or umbrella liability insurance.
- 5.4 Qwest may require the CLEC from time-to-time during the life of the Contract to obtain additional insurance with coverage or limits in addition to those described above. However, the additional premium costs of any such additional insurance required by Qwest shall be borne by Qwest, and the CLEC shall arrange to have such costs billed separately and directly to Qwest by the insuring carrier(s). Qwest shall be authorized by the CLEC to confer directly with the agent(s) of the insuring carrier(s) concerning the extent and limits of the CLEC's insurance coverage in order to assure the sufficiency thereof for purposes of the work performable under the Contract and to assure that such coverage as a whole with respect to the work performable are coordinated from the standpoint of adequate coverage at the least total premium costs.
- 5.5 The insuring carrier(s) and the form of the insurance policies shall be subject to approval by Qwest. The CLEC shall forward to Qwest, certificates of such insurance issued by the insuring carrier(s). The insuring carrier(s) may use the ACORD form, which is the Insurance Industries certificate of insurance form. The insurance certificates shall provide that: (1) Qwest is named as an additional insured; (2) thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice of cancellation of, or material change or exclusions in, the policy to which the certificates relate shall be given to Qwest; (3) certification that underground hazard coverage (commonly referred to as "U" coverage) is part of the coverage; and (4) the words "pertains to all operations and projects performed on behalf of the certificate holder" are included in the description portion of the certificate. The CLEC shall not commence work hereunder until the obligations of the CLEC with respect to insurance have been fulfilled. The fulfillment of such obligations shall not relieve the CLEC of any liability hereunder or in any way modify the CLEC's obligations to indemnify Qwest.
- 5.6 Whenever any work is performed requiring the excavation of soil or use of heavy machinery within fifty (50) feet of railroad tracks or upon railroad right-of-way, a Railroad Protective Liability Insurance policy will be required. Such policy shall be issued in the name of the Railroad with standard limits of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury, property damage or physical damage to property with an aggregate limit of Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000.00). In addition, said policy shall name Qwest and the CLEC/SubCLEC on the declarations page with respect to its interest in these specific job. Said insurance policy shall be in form and substance

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satisfactory both to the Qwest and the Railroad and shall be delivered to and approved by both parties prior to the entry upon or use of the Railroad Property.

- 5.7 Whenever any work must be performed in the Colorado State Highway right-of-way, policies and certificates of insurance shall also name the State of Colorado as an additional insured. Like coverage shall be furnished by or on behalf of any subcontractor. Copies of said certificates must be available on site during the performance of the work.

6. CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF FACILITIES.

- 6.1 Qwest retains the right, in its sole judgment, to determine the availability of space on Poles/Innerduct. When modifications to a Qwest spare conduit include the placement of innerduct, Qwest retains the right to install the number of innerducts required to occupy the conduit structure to its full capacity. In the event Qwest determines that rearrangement of the existing facilities on Poles/Innerduct is required before CLEC's Facilities can be accommodated, the cost of such modification will be included in the CLEC's nonrecurring charges for the associated Poles/Innerduct Order.
- 6.2 CLEC shall be solely responsible for obtaining the necessary underlying legal authority to occupy Poles/Innerduct on governmental, federal, Native American, and private rights of way, as applicable, and Qwest does not warrant or represent that providing CLEC with access to the Poles/Innerduct in any way constitutes such legal right. The CLEC shall obtain any necessary permits, licenses, bonds, or other legal authority and permission, at the CLEC's sole expense, in order to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The CLEC shall contact all owners of public and private rights-of-way, as necessary, to obtain written permission required to perform the work prior to entering the property or starting any work thereon and shall provide Qwest with written documentation of such legal authority prior to placement of its facilities on or in the Poles/Innerduct. The CLEC shall comply with all conditions of rights-of-way and Orders.
- 6.3 CLEC's Facilities shall be placed and maintained in accordance with the requirements and specifications of the current applicable standards of Bellcore 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 herein by reference, and any governing authority having jurisdiction of the subject matter of this Agreement. Where a difference in specifications exists, the more stringent shall apply. Failure to maintain Facilities in accordance with the above requirements shall be Cause as referenced in Section 3 to this Agreement for termination of the Order in question. Termination of more than two (2) Orders in any twelve-month period pursuant to the foregoing sentence shall be Cause as referenced in Section 3 for termination of this Agreement. Qwest's procedures governing its standard maintenance practices shall be made available upon request for public inspection at the appropriate Qwest premises. CLEC's procedures governing its standards maintenance practices for Facilities shall be made available to Qwest upon written request. CLEC shall within thirty (30) days comply and provide the requested information to Qwest to bring their facilities into compliance with these terms and conditions.
- 6.4 In the event of any service outage affecting both Qwest and CLEC, repairs shall be effectuated on a priority basis as established by local, state or federal requirements, or where such requirement do not exists, repairs shall be made in the following order: electrical, telephone (local), telephone (long distance), and cable television, or as mutually agreed to by the users of the effected Poles/Innerduct.

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6.5 In the event of an infrastructure outage, the CLEC should contact their Network Maintenance Center at 1-800-223-7881 or the CLEC may contact their Account Manager at the Interconnect Service Center.

7. MODIFICATION TO EXISTING POLES/INNERDUCT.

7.1. If CLEC requests Qwest to replace or modify existing Poles/Innerduct to increase its strength or capacity for the benefit of the CLEC and Qwest determines in its sole discretion to provide the requested capacity, the CLEC shall pay Qwest the total replacement cost, Qwest's cost to transfer its attachments, as necessary, and the cost for removal (including destruction fees) of any replaced Poles/Innerduct, if such is necessary. Ownership of new Poles/Innerduct shall vest in Qwest. To the extent that a modification is incurred for the benefit of multiple parties, CLEC shall pay a proportionate share of the total cost as outlined above, based on the ratio of the amount of new space occupied by the Facilities to the total amount of space occupied by all parties joining the modification. Modifications that occur in order to bring Poles/Innerduct into compliance with applicable safety or other requirements shall be deemed to be for the benefit of the multiple parties and CLEC shall be responsible for its pro rata share of the modification cost. Except as set forth herein, CLEC shall have no obligation to pay any of the cost of replacement or modification of Poles/Innerduct requested solely by third parties.

7.2 Written notification of modification initiated by or on behalf of Qwest shall be provided to CLEC at least sixty (60) days prior to beginning modifications if such modifications are not the result of an emergency situation. Such notification shall include a brief description of the nature and scope of the modification. If CLEC does not rearrange its facilities within sixty (60) days after receipt of written notice from Qwest requesting such rearrangement, Qwest may perform or cause to have performed such rearrangement and CLEC shall pay for cost thereof. No such notice shall be required in emergency situations or for routine maintenance of Poles/Innerduct.

8. INSPECTION OF FACILITIES. Qwest reserves the right to make final construction, subsequent and periodic inspections of CLEC's facilities occupying the Poles/Innerduct system. CLEC shall reimburse Qwest for the cost of such inspections except as specified in Section 8 hereof.

8.1. CLEC shall provide written notice to Qwest, at least fifteen (15) days in advance, of the locations where CLEC's plant is to be constructed.

8.2. The CLEC shall forward Exhibit A, entitled "Pulling In Report" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, to Qwest within five (5) business days of the date(s) of the occupancy.

8.3. Qwest shall provide written notification to CLEC within seven (7) days of the date of completion of a final construction inspection.

8.4. Where final construction inspection by Qwest has been completed, CLEC shall be obligated to correct non-complying conditions within thirty (30) days of receiving written notice from Qwest. In the event the corrections are not completed within the thirty (30)-day period, occupancy authorization for the Poles/Innerduct system where non-complying conditions remain uncorrected shall terminate immediately, regardless of whether CLEC has energized the facilities occupying said Poles/Innerduct system, unless Qwest has provided CLEC a written extension to comply. CLEC shall remove its facilities from said

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Poles/Innerduct in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 10 of this Agreement. No further occupancy authorization shall be issued to CLEC until such non-complying conditions are corrected or until CLEC's facilities are removed from the Pole/Conduit system where such non-complying conditions exist. If agreed to in writing, by both parties, Qwest shall perform such corrections and CLEC shall pay Qwest the cost of performing such work. Subsequent inspections to determine if appropriate corrective action has been taken may be made by Qwest.

- 8.5. Once the CLECs facilities occupy Qwest Poles/Innerduct system and Exhibit A has been received by Qwest, Qwest may perform periodic inspections. The cost of such inspections shall be borne by Qwest, unless the inspection reveals any violations, hazards, or conditions indicating that CLEC has failed to comply with the provisions set forth in this Agreement, in which case the CLEC shall reimburse Qwest for full costs of inspection, and re-inspection to determine compliance as required. A CLEC representative may accompany Qwest on field inspections scheduled specifically for the purpose of inspecting CLEC's Facilities; however, CLEC's costs associated with its participation in such inspections shall be borne by CLEC. Qwest shall have no obligation to notify CLEC, and CLEC shall have no right to attend, any routine field inspections.
- 8.6. The costs of inspections made during construction and/or the final construction survey and subsequent inspection shall be billed to the CLEC within thirty (30) days upon completion of the inspection.
- 8.7. Final construction, subsequent and periodic inspections or the failure to make such inspections, shall not impose any liability of any kind upon Qwest, and shall not relieve CLEC of any responsibilities, obligations, or liability arising under this Agreement.

9. UNAUTHORIZED FACILITIES

- 9.1 If any facilities are found attached to Poles/Innerduct for which no Order is in effect, Qwest, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies under this Agreement, shall assess an unauthorized attachment administrative fee of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) per attachment per Pole or innerduct run between manholes, and require the CLEC to submit in writing, within ten (10) day after receipt of written notification from Qwest of the unauthorized occupancy, a Poles/Innerduct application. 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. If such application is not received by Qwest within the specified time period, the CLEC will be required to remove its unauthorized facility within ten (10) days of the final date for submitting the required application, Qwest may remove the CLEC's facilities without liability, and the cost of such removal shall be borne by the CLEC.
- 9.2 For the purpose of determining the applicable charge, the unauthorized Poles/Innerduct occupancy shall be treated as having existed for a period of five (5) years prior to its discovery, and the charges, as specified in Section 4, shall be due and payable forthwith whether or not CLEC is ordered to continue the occupancy of the Poles/Innerduct system.

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- 9.3. No act or failure to act by Qwest with regard to an unauthorized occupancy shall be deemed to constitute the authorization of the occupancy; any authorization that may be granted subsequently shall not operate retroactively or constitute a waiver by Qwest of any of its rights of privileges under this Agreement or otherwise.
10. **REMOVAL OF FACILITIES.** Should Qwest, under the provisions of this Agreement, remove CLEC's Facilities from the Poles/Innerduct covered by any Order (or otherwise), 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 payment is not received by Qwest within thirty (30) days, CLEC will be deemed to have abandoned such facilities, and Qwest may dispose of said facilities as it determines to be appropriate. If Qwest must dispose of said facilities, such action will not relieve CLEC of any other financial responsibility associated with such removal as provided herein. If CLEC removes its Facilities from Poles/Innerduct for reasons other than repair or maintenance purposes, the CLEC shall have no right to replace such facilities on the Poles/Innerduct until such time as all outstanding charges due to Qwest for previous occupancy have been paid in full. CLEC shall submit Exhibit B, entitled "Notification of Surrender of Modification of Conduit Occupancy License by CLEC," or Exhibit C, entitled "Notification of Surrender of Modification of Pole Attachment by CLEC," each as attached hereto, advising Qwest as to the date on which the removal of Facilities from each Poles/Innerduct has been completed.
11. **INDEMNIFICATION AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITIES.** CLEC shall indemnify and hold harmless Qwest, its owners, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, directors, and employees against any and all liabilities, claims, judgments, losses, orders, awards, damages, costs, fines, penalties, costs of defense, and attorneys' fees ("Liabilities") to the extent they arise from or in connection with: (1) infringement, or alleged infringement, of any patent rights or claims caused, or alleged to have been caused, by the use of any apparatus, appliances, equipment, or parts thereof, furnished, installed or utilized by the CLEC; (2) actual or alleged fault or negligence of the CLEC, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors and/or representatives; (3) furnishing, performance, or use of any material supplied by CLEC under this Contract or any product liability claims relating to any material supplied by CLEC under this Contract; (4) failure of CLEC, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors and/or representatives to comply with any term of this Contract or any applicable local, state, or federal law or regulation, including but not limited to the OSH Act and environmental protection laws; (5) assertions under workers' compensation or similar employee benefit acts by CLEC or its employees, agents, subcontractors, or subcontractors' employees or agents; (6) the acts or omissions (other than the gross negligence or willful misconduct) of Qwest, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives, except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 11.3 and 11.4 below; and/or, (7) any economic damages that may rise, including damages for delay or other related economic damages that the Qwest or third parties may suffer or allegedly suffer as a result of the performance or failure to perform work by the CLEC. If both Qwest and the CLEC are sued as a result of or in connection with the performance of work arising out of this Contract, the parties hereby agree that the defense of the case (including the costs of the defense and attorneys' fees) shall be the responsibility of the CLEC, if Qwest desires. Qwest shall give the CLEC reasonable written notice of all such claims and any suits alleging such claims and shall furnish upon the CLEC's request and at the CLEC's expense all information and assistance available to the Qwest for such defense. The parties shall employ Article 13, Dispute Resolution, to resolve any dispute concerning the proportional fault and liability after the underlying case is terminated.
- 11.1 IF WORK IS PERFORMED IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON UNDER THIS GENERAL CONTRACT, THE CLEC ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THIS INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, ALL CLAIMS AGAINST QWEST BY AN EMPLOYEE OR FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE

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CLEC, AND THE CLEC EXPRESSLY WAIVES ALL IMMUNITY AND LIMITATION ON LIABILITY UNDER ANY INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE ACT, OTHER WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT, DISABILITY BENEFIT ACT, OR OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ACT OF ANY JURISDICTION WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE APPLICABLE IN THE CASE OF SUCH A CLAIM.

- 11.2 Except as expressly provided herein, NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER FOR ANY INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY LOSS OF USE, LOSS OF BUSINESS OR LOSS OF PROFIT; provided, however, there shall be no limitation on a party's liability to the other for any fines or penalties imposed on the other party by any court of competent jurisdiction or federal, state or local administrative agency resulting from the failure of the party to comply with any term or condition of this Contract or any valid and applicable law, rule or regulation.
- 11.3 FOR ANY WORK PERFORMED IN ARIZONA, IDAHO, SOUTH DAKOTA, UTAH OR WASHINGTON, SECTION 11(6) SHALL NOT EXTEND TO THE SOLE NEGLIGENCE OF QWEST BUT SHALL EXTEND TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF QWEST WHEN CONCURRENT WITH THAT OF THE CLEC.
- 11.4 FOR ANY WORK PERFORMED IN THE STATES OF MINNESOTA, NEBRASKA, NEW MEXICO, OR OREGON, ARTICLE 11 SHALL NOT APPLY, EXCEPT THAT SECTION 11 SHALL APPLY FOR WORK PERFORMED IN MINNESOTA FOR MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR OF MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, OR OTHER SUCH DEVICES, USED AS PART OF A MANUFACTURING, COVERING, OR OTHER PRODUCTION PROCESS INDULGING ELECTRIC, GAS, STEAM, AND TELEPHONE UTILITY EQUIPMENT USED FOR PRODUCTION, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION PURPOSES.

12. FORCE MAJEURE

- 12.1 The CLEC shall be excused from its performance as to any Order if prevented by acts or events beyond the CLEC's reasonable control including extreme weather conditions, strikes, fires, embargoes, actions of civil or military law enforcement authorities, acts of God, or acts of legislative, judicial, executive, or administrative authorities.
- 12.2 If such contingency occurs, Qwest may elect:
- 12.2.1 To terminate this Agreement as to the Order in question; or
- 12.2.2 To terminate already-assigned specific work assignment(s) the CLEC is unable to perform, or any part thereof, and to assign new specific work assignments to other parties for the duration of the cause of the delay; or
- 12.2.3 To suspend already-assigned specific work assignment(s) the CLEC is unable to perform, or any part thereof, for the duration of the cause of the delay; and to assign new specific work assignments to other parties for the duration of the cause of the delay.
- 12.3 Qwest shall be deemed to have elected Section 12.2.3 above unless written notice of termination is given by Qwest after the contingency occurs. With respect to Qwest's election of Section 12.2.3 above:

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12.3.1 Qwest shall give the CLEC written notice of the work to be performed by such other party prior to its performance and shall deduct from the CLEC's price the cost of the work or services actually performed by such other parties.

12.3.2 The CLEC shall resume performance, and complete any work not performed or to be performed by another party, once the delaying cause ceases.

12.3.3 If appropriate, at the Qwest's discretion, the time for completion of specific work assignment(s) shall be extended up to the length of time the contingency endured.

12.4 Qwest shall be excused from its performance if prevented by acts or events beyond the Qwest's reasonable control including extreme weather conditions, strikes, fires, embargoes, actions of civil or military law enforcement authorities, acts of God, or acts of legislative, judicial, executive, or administrative authorities.

13. DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

13.1. Other than those claims over which a regulatory agency has exclusive jurisdiction, all claims, regardless of legal theory, whenever brought and whether between the parties or between one of the parties to this Agreement and the employees, agents or affiliated businesses of the other party, shall be resolved by arbitration. A single arbitrator engaged in the practice of law and knowledgeable about telecommunications law shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the then current rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") unless otherwise provided herein. The arbitrator shall be selected in accordance with AAA procedures from a list of qualified people maintained by AAA. The arbitration shall be conducted in the regional AAA office closest to where the claim arose.

13.2. All expedited procedures prescribed by the AAA shall apply. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding and judgment may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

13.3. Other than the determination of those claims over which a regulatory agency has exclusive jurisdiction, federal law (including the provisions of the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. Sections 1-16) shall govern and control with respect to any issue relating to the validity of this Agreement to arbitrate and the arbitrability of the claims.

13.4. If any party files a judicial or administrative action asserting claims subject to arbitration, and another party successfully stays such action and/or compels arbitration of such claims, the party filing the action shall pay the other party's costs and expenses incurred in seeking such stay or compelling arbitration, including reasonable attorney's fees.

14. **LAWFULNESS.** This Agreement and the parties' actions under this Agreement shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, court orders, and governmental agency orders. Any change in rates, charges or regulations mandated by the legally constituted authorities will act as a modification of any contract to that extent without further notice. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the state where Poles/Innerduct is provided. Nothing contained herein shall substitute for or be deemed a waiver of the parties' respective rights and obligations under applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and guidelines, including

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(without limitation) Section 224 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. 224). The CLEC represents that it is a certified Competitive Local Exchange Carrier or otherwise has the legal right, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 224 to attach to Qwest's pole pursuant to the terms thereof. The CLEC acknowledges that Qwest will rely on the foregoing representation, and that if such representation is not accurate, this Agreement shall be deemed void *ab initio*, except for Article 9 hereof, for which CLEC shall remain fully liable.

15. **SEVERABILITY.** In the event that a court, governmental agency, or regulatory agency with proper jurisdiction determines that this Agreement or a provision of this Agreement is unlawful, this Agreement, or that provision of the Agreement to the extent it is unlawful, shall terminate. If a provision of this Agreement is terminated but the parties can legally, commercially and practicably continue without the terminated provision, the remainder of this Agreement shall continue in effect.
16. **GENERAL PROVISIONS.**
 - 16.1 Failure or delay by either party to exercise any right, power, or privilege hereunder, shall not operate as a waiver hereto.
 - 16.2 This Agreement shall not be assignable by CLEC without the express written consent of Qwest, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Assignment of this Agreement by CLEC to CLEC's subsidiary or affiliate shall be presumed to be reasonable; provided, however, that CLEC must obtain Qwest's consent in any event.
 - 16.3 This Agreement benefits CLEC and Qwest. There are no third party beneficiaries.
 - 16.4 This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between CLEC and Qwest with respect to Service provided herein and supersedes any prior agreements or understandings.

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PULLING IN REPORT

This report is to be completed by the CLEC when fiber cable is placed into innerduct.

_____ 20__

Send to:

Manager, Qwest Corp
700 W Mineral, Rm IAF12
Littleton, CO 80120 (303-707-7598)

This is to advise you that pursuant to General Agreement No. _____ granted to us under the terms of the Innerduct Agreement dated _____, 20__ we have completed installation of the following cable into the following ducts.

Municipality

Location		Cable and Equipment Installed
From Manhole at	To Manhole at	

Name of CLEC

By: _____
Title: _____

Receipt of the above report is hereby acknowledged _____, 20__.

Qwest Corporation

By: _____
Title: _____

1. Reports shall be submitted in duplicate.
2. A complete description of all facilities shall be given, including a print showing the locations, quantities, sizes and types of all cables and equipment.
3. Sketch to be furnished showing duct used. Must be same duct assigned to Licensee by Licensor as shown on Exhibit ____, unless a change has been previously authorized in writing by Licensor.

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**NOTIFICATION OF SURRENDER OR MODIFICATION
OF POLE ATTACHMENT ORDER BY CLEC**

CLEC: _____

Return to:

Manager, Qwest Corp
700 W Mineral, Rm IAF12
Littleton, CO 80120

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement between Qwest and CLEC, dated _____, 20__, notice is hereby given that the licenses covering attachments to the following poles and/or anchors, and/or utilization of anchor/guy strand is surrendered (or modified as indicated in CLEC's prior notification to Qwest, dated _____, 20__) effective _____.

	POLE NO.	ASSOC. POLE NO.	LIC. NO. & DATE	SURRENDER OR MODIFICATION	DATE FAC. RMVD OR MODIFIED
1.		A A/GS -			
2.		A A/GS -			
3.		A A/GS -			
4.		A A/GS -			
5.		A A/GS -			
6.		A A/GS -			
7.		A A/GS -			
8.		A A/GS -			
9.		A A/GS -			

Date Notification Received _____

Date Modification Received _____

By: _____

Name of CLEC

Discontinued:
Poles _____

By: _____

Anchors _____

Anchor/Guy Strands _____ lts: _____

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**ATTACHMENT 4
FORM OF ACCESS AGREEMENT**

After recording, please return to:
Manager
700 W Mineral, Rm IAF12
Littleton, CO 80120

ACCESS AGREEMENT

THIS ACCESS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of the ___ day of _____, 20___, by and between **QWEST CORPORATION**, a Colorado corporation, successor in interest to **U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**, a Colorado corporation ("Grantor"), whose address is _____, and _____, a _____, whose address is _____ ("Grantee").

RECITALS

- A. This Agreement relates to certain real property (the "Property") located in the County of _____ (the "County"), State of _____ (the "State").
- B. A copy of an agreement purporting to grant to Grantor certain rights to use the Property, as described therein (the "Easement Rights"), is attached as Exhibit A (the "Right of Way Agreement").
- C. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 224 and 251(b)(5), Grantor, as a Local Exchange Carrier, is required to provide access to rights-of-way to a requesting telecommunications carrier, as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 224. Grantee is a telecommunications carrier that has requested access to Grantor's Easement Rights. To comply with the aforementioned legal requirement, Grantor has agreed to share with Grantee its Easement Rights, if any, relating to the Property, to the extent Grantor may legally convey such an interest.
- D. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, Grantor has agreed to convey to Grantee, without any representation or warranty, the right to use the Easement Rights, and Grantee has agreed to accept such conveyance.

NOW, THEREFORE, for Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Grant of Right of Access. Grantor hereby conveys to Grantee and its Authorized Users (as defined below) a non-exclusive, perpetual right to access and use the Easement Rights, which right shall be expressly (a) subject to, subordinate to, and limited by the Right of Way Agreement, and (b) subject to the terms and conditions hereof. As used in this Agreement, "Authorized Users" of Owner, Grantor and Grantee shall mean Owner, Grantor or Grantee, as applicable, their respective Affiliates and agents, licensees, employees, and invitees, including, without limitation, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, suppliers, public emergency vehicles, shipping or delivery vehicles, or construction vehicles. "Affiliates"

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means, with respect to any Person, any Person that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such Person, together with its and their respective members, partners, venturers, directors, officers, stockholders, agents, employees and spouses. A Person shall be presumed to have control when it possesses the power, directly or indirectly, to direct, or cause the direction of, the management or policies of another Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise. "Person" means an individual, partnership, limited liability company, association, corporation or other entity.

2. Grantor's Reserved Rights. Grantor reserves to itself and its Authorized Users the right to use the Easement Rights for any purpose not incompatible with the rights conveyed to Grantee by this Agreement.

3. Conditions Precedent to Effectiveness of Agreement. This Agreement is expressly conditioned on the following:

a. Recordation of Agreement. If the Right-of-Way Agreement has been publicly recorded, Grantee shall be responsible for assuring that the Agreement is in appropriate form for recording in the real property records of the County, shall pay for the recording thereof, and shall provide a copy of the recorded Agreement to Grantor at the address set forth above. A legible copy of the Right of Way Agreement must be attached to the Agreement when recorded or the Agreement shall not be effective.

b. Payment of Costs and Expenses. Grantee shall pay to or reimburse Grantor for all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, relating to Grantor's execution and delivery of this Agreement.

4. Grantee's Representations and Warranties. Grantee represents and warrants to Grantor that:

a. Authority. Grantee is a _____, duly formed and validly existing under the laws of the State of _____. All necessary action has been taken by Grantee to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform the obligations set forth hereunder. Grantee is a "telecommunications carrier" as that term is defined in 42 U.S.C. § 224.

b. Due Diligence. Grantee acknowledges and agrees that neither Grantor nor any agent, employee, attorney, or representative of Grantor has made any statements, agreements, promises, assurances, representations, or warranties, whether in this Agreement or otherwise and whether express or implied, regarding the Right of Way Agreement or the Easement Rights or the assignability or further granting thereof, or title to or the environmental or other condition of the Property. Grantee further acknowledges and agrees that Grantee has examined and investigated to its full satisfaction the physical nature and condition of the Property and the Easement Rights and that it is acquiring the Easement Rights in an "AS IS, WHERE IS" condition. Grantee expressly waives all claims for damages by reason of any statement, representation, warranty, assurance, promise or agreement made, if any.

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5. Grantee's Covenants.

a. Compliance with Right of Way Agreement. Grantee agrees that the rights granted by Grantor hereunder are expressly subject to, subordinate to, and limited by the Right of Way Agreement, and Grantee further agrees to comply in all respects with the terms and conditions of the Right of Way Agreement as they apply to the holder or user of the Easement Rights. In the event Grantee fails to observe or perform any of its obligations under the Right of Way Agreement, Grantor shall have the right, but not the obligation, to perform or observe such obligation to the extent that such obligation can be observed or performed by Grantor.

b. Compliance with Laws. Grantee agrees to use the Property and the Easement Rights in compliance with all applicable laws.

c. No Further Grant. Grantee shall not grant to any Person other than Grantee's Authorized Users the right to use the Easement Rights without the prior written consent of Grantor, which consent may be granted or withheld in Grantor's sole discretion.

d. Non-Interference. Grantee agrees that it will not interfere with Grantor's or Grantor's Authorized Users' use of the Easement Rights and will not take any action or fail to take any action that would negatively affect the Easement Rights or cause or contribute to the termination of the Right of Way Agreement.

6. Indemnification. Grantee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Owner, Grantor and their respective Affiliates harmless from and against any and all claims, judgments, damages, liabilities, penalties, fines, suits, causes of action, costs of settlement, and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees) which may be imposed upon or incurred by Grantor or its Authorized Users, or any of them, arising from, relating to or caused by Grantee's breach of this Agreement or the use, or the use by any of Grantee's Authorized Users, of the Easement Rights. In addition to the indemnity obligations described above, in the event that any act or omission of Grantee or Grantee's Authorized Users causes, directly or indirectly, and without reference to any act or omission of Owner, Grantor or their respective Authorized users, the termination or revocation of the Easement Rights, Grantee shall be liable to Grantor for all costs incurred in connection with (a) acquiring replacement Easement Rights over the Property or over other suitable Property, as determined in Grantor's sole judgment (the "Replacement Easement"), (b) the fully-loaded cost of constructing replacement facilities over the Replacement Easement, (c) the cost of removing its facilities and personal property from the Property, if required by the Right of Way Agreement, and (d) any other costs of complying with the Right of Way Agreement, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees. Grantee shall pay all such amounts within ten (10) days of receipt of any invoice for such costs delivered to Grantee by Owner, Grantor or their respective Authorized Users.

7. Condemnation. If any action is taken whereby the Right of Way Agreement or any part of the Easement Rights are terminated, relocated or otherwise affected, by any taking or partial taking by a governmental authority or otherwise, then such any compensation due or to be paid to the holder of the Easement Rights due to such occurrence shall belong solely to Grantor.

8. Severable Provisions. If any term of this Agreement shall, to any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each term of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

9. Default; Remedies. (a) If Grantee files a petition in bankruptcy, or a petition is bankruptcy is filed against Grantee, which is not dismissed on or before fifteen (15) days after such filing, or (b) in the event of Grantee's breach or threatened breach of any term, covenant or condition of this Agreement, then Grantor shall have, in addition to all other legal and equitable remedies, the right to (x) terminate

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this Agreement, (y) enforce the provisions hereof by the equitable remedy of specific performance, or (z) enjoin such breach or threatened breach by injunctive action, all without the necessity of proof of actual damages or inadequacy of any legal remedy. Grantee agrees to pay all costs of enforcement of the obligations of Grantee hereunder, including reasonable attorneys' fees and all costs of suit, in case it becomes necessary for Grantor to enforce the obligations of Grantee hereunder, whether suit be brought or not, and whether through courts of original jurisdiction, as well as in courts of appellate jurisdiction, or through a bankruptcy court or other legal proceedings.

10. Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. This Agreement may be assigned at any time in whole or in part by Grantor.

11. No Dedication. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall constitute a gift or dedication of any portion of the Easement Rights to the general public or for any public purpose whatsoever. There are no intended third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

12. Grantor's Waiver of Confidentiality. If the Right of Way Agreement is not publicly recorded, Grantor hereby grants a limited waiver of any right to keep the terms and conditions of the Right of Way Agreement confidential, except for any dollar amounts in the Right of Way Agreement, which rights Grantor expressly reserves, and subject to Grantee's and Owner's compliance with the terms and conditions in this paragraph. In all instances, Grantee will use the Right of Way Agreement only for the following purposes: (a) to determine whether Grantor has ownership or control over duct, conduits, or rights-of-way within the property described in the Right of Way Agreement; (b) to determine the ownership of wire within the property described in the Right of Way agreement; or (c) to determine the demarcation point between Grantor facilities and the Owner's facilities in the property described in the agreement. Grantee further agrees that Grantee shall not disclose the contents, terms, or conditions of any agreement provided pursuant to Section 10.8 to any Grantee agents or employees engaged in sales, marketing, or product management efforts on behalf of Grantee. Grantor's waiver of rights, subject to the limitations set forth above, is intended to be effective whether or not such right to confidentiality is expressly set forth in the Right of Way Agreement or elsewhere or may have been agreed to orally, and so long as Grantee and Owner comply with the conditions set forth above, Grantor further covenants not to assert any claim or commence any action, lawsuit, or other legal proceeding against Owner or Grantee, based upon or arising out of Grantor's alleged right to confidentiality relating to the Right of Way Agreement, except in the event of disclosure of dollar amounts in the Right of Way Agreement.

13. Notices. All notices to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed delivered (a) when personally delivered, or (b) three (3) business days after being mailed postage prepaid, by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, or (c) one business day after being timely delivered to an overnight express courier service such as Federal Express which provides for the equivalent of a return receipt to the sender, to the above described addresses of the parties hereto, or to such other address as a party may request in a writing complying with the provisions of this Section.

14. Modification; Counterparts. This Agreement may not be amended, modified or changed, nor shall any waiver of any provision hereof be effective, except by an instrument in writing and signed by the party against whom enforcement of any amendment, modification, change or waiver is sought. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which shall constitute but one and the same document.

15. Controlling Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

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16. Waiver of Jury Trial. THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF APPLICABLE LAW, ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

[Signature pages follow]

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EXECUTED as of the date first written above.

GRANTOR:

Witnessed by: _____

QWEST CORPORATION, a Colorado corporation,
successor in interest to
U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
a Colorado corporation

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

STATE OF _____)

) ss:

COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ___ day of _____,
20___, by _____ as
_____ of QWEST CORPORATION, a Colorado
corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

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EXECUTED as of the date first written above.

GRANTEE:

Witnessed by: _____, a

By: _____

Name:

Title:

STATE OF _____)

) ss:

COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ___ day of _____,
20___, by _____ as
_____ of _____,
a _____.

Witness my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

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Right of Way Agreement

(This represents the ROW agreement between the Co-Provider and the property owner)

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SPECIAL REQUEST PROCESS

1. The Special Request Process shall be used for the following requests:
 - 1.1 Intentionally Left Blank.
 - 1.2 Intentionally Left Blank.
 - 1.3 Requesting a combination of Unbundled Network Elements that is a combination not currently offered by Qwest as a standard product and:
 - 1.3.1 that is made up of UNEs that are defined by the FCC or the Commission as a network element to which Qwest is obligated to provide unbundled access, and;
 - 1.3.2 that is made up of UNEs that are ordinarily combined in the Qwest network.
 - 1.4 Requesting an Unbundled Network Element that does not require a technical feasibility analysis and has been defined by the FCC or the State Commission as a network element to which Qwest is obligated to provide unbundled access, but for which Qwest has not created a standard product.
2. Any request that requires an analysis of Technical Feasibility shall be treated as a Bona Fide Request (BFR), and will follow the BFR Process set forth in this Agreement. If it is determined that a request should have been submitted through the BFR process, Qwest will consider the BFR time frame to have started upon receipt of the original Special Request application form.
3. A Special Request shall be submitted in writing and on the appropriate Qwest form, which is located on Qwest's website.
4. Qwest shall acknowledge receipt of the Special Request within two (2) business days of receipt.
5. Qwest shall respond with an analysis, including costs and timeframes, within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of the Special Request. In the case of UNE Combinations, the analysis shall include whether the requested combination is a combination of network elements that are ordinarily combined in the Qwest network. If the request is for a combination of network elements that are not ordinarily combined in the Qwest network, the analysis shall indicate to CLEC that it should use the BFR process if CLEC elects to pursue its request.
6. Upon request, Qwest shall provide CLEC with Qwest's supporting cost data and/or studies for Unbundled Network Elements that CLEC wishes to order within seven (7) business days, except where Qwest cannot obtain a release from its vendors within seven (7) business days, in which case Qwest will make the data available as soon as Qwest receives the vendor release. Such cost data shall be treated as Confidential Information, if requested by Qwest under the non-disclosure sections of this Agreement.

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EXHIBIT H
Calculation of the Relative Use Factor (RUF)

Minutes that are Qwest's responsibility (A):

- All EAS/Local 251(b)(5) and ISP MOU that Qwest sends to CLEC
- All Qwest Exchange Access MOU that Qwest sends to CLEC
- EAS/Local 251(b)(5) and ISP traffic that transits Qwest network and is terminated to CLEC, for which Qwest receives compensation from the originating Carrier for performing the local transiting function
- All IntraLATA transit MOU that Qwest sends to CLEC.
- All FX MOU that CLEC sends to Qwest

Minutes that are CLEC's responsibility (B):

- All EAS/Local 251(b)(5) and ISP MOU that CLEC sends to Qwest
- All Exchange Access MOU that CLEC sends to Qwest
- All EAS/Local 251(b)(5) and ISP traffic that CLEC sends to Qwest for termination on another Carrier's network
- All IntraLATA transit MOU that CLEC sends to Qwest
- All Jointly Provided Switched Access (unless joint NECA 4 billing percentages have been filed) that Qwest sends to CLEC and that CLEC sends to Qwest
- All VNXX MOU that Qwest sends to CLEC
- All VNXX MOU that transits Qwest network and is terminated to CLEC

The mathematical equation for RUF is as follows:

Qwest (A) / (A+B) Rounded to nearest whole percentage

CLEC (B) / (A+B) Rounded to nearest whole percentage

Data used for the calculation will be the average of the most recent three (3) months' usage determined not to be an anomaly.

Exhibit I – Individual Case Basis

1. This Agreement contains references to both ICB rates and ICB intervals. The purpose of this exhibit is to identify how CLEC's ICB requests – whether they be for rates or intervals – are processed through and by Qwest.
2. ICB Rate Intervals
 - 2.1 For those products and services identified in the Agreement that contain a provision for ICB rates, Qwest will provide CLEC with a written quote of the ICB rate within twenty (20) business days unless a specific interval for providing the quote is either contained in the Agreement or this Exhibit.
 - 2.2 The purpose of this subsection is to identify those circumstances when the generic twenty (20) business day interval in the aforementioned subsection to this Exhibit does not apply. In these specified circumstances, Qwest shall provide CLEC with an ICB quote within the stated specific intervals:
 - 2.2.1 Quotes for all Bona Fide Requests (BFR) shall be provided in accord with Section 17.
 - 2.2.2 Quotes for all Special Request Processes (SRP) shall be provided in accord with Exhibit F.
 - 2.2.3 Quotes for all collocation requests, regardless of the type of collocation, shall be provided in accord with the Section 8 interval.
 - 2.2.4 Quotes for all Field Connection Point requests shall be provided in accord with Section 9.3.
 - 2.2.5 Quotes for all Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN) requests shall be provided in accord with Section 9.
 - 2.3 Upon request, Qwest shall provide CLEC with Qwest's supporting cost data and/or cost studies for the Unbundled Network Element or service that CLEC wishes to order within seven (7) business days, except where Qwest cannot obtain a release from its vendors within seven (7) business days, in which case Qwest will make the data available as soon as Qwest receives the vendor release. Consistent with the terms and conditions of any applicable vendor contract or agreement, Qwest shall diligently pursue obtaining the release of cost information as soon as reasonably possible. To the extent consistent with the terms and obligations of any applicable vendor contract or agreement, Qwest shall request the release of vendor cost information when Qwest communicates with the vendor(s) when Qwest seeks a quote for the costs of the ICB project. Such cost data shall be treated as confidential information if requested by Qwest under the non-disclosure sections of this Agreement.
3. ICB Provisioning Intervals

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- 3.1 For those products and services provided pursuant to this Agreement that contain a provision for ICB interval but do not contain a specific provision for when the ICB interval shall be provided, the ICB interval shall be provided within twenty (20) business days of receipt of the order, request or application.

- 3.2 For ICB intervals for those products and services that require negotiated project time lines for installation, such as 2/4 wire analog loop for more than twenty-five (25) loops, the Qwest representative, authorized to commit to intervals, shall meet with CLEC's representative within seven (7) business days of receipt of the request from CLEC to negotiate intervals.

Exhibit J
Election of Reciprocal Compensation Option

Pursuant to the election in this Exhibit J of this Agreement, the Parties agree to exchange (\$251(b)(5)) Traffic, per section 7.3.4.4 at:

CLEC must select either 1. OR 2.

1. The rates applicable to §251(b)(5) Traffic between Qwest and CLEC shall be the same as the rates established in ISP-bound traffic pursuant to Exhibit A, Section 7.7. Such rate for ISP-bound traffic will apply to §251(b)(5) Traffic in lieu of End Office Call Termination rates, and Tandem Switched Transport rates.

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2. Compensation rate for §251(b)(5) Traffic shall be as established by the Commission pursuant to Exhibit A, Section 7.6, the rates as appropriate.

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When the FCC ordered rate for ISP-bound traffic is applied to (§251(b)(5)) Traffic, the FCC Ordered ISP rate is used in lieu of End Office call termination and Tandem Switched Transport rate elements.

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PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN

1.0 Introduction

1.1 As set forth in this Agreement, Qwest and CLEC voluntarily agree to the terms of the following Performance Assurance Plan ("PAP"), initially prepared in conjunction with Qwest's application for approval under Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act") to offer in-region long distance service and subsequently modified in accordance with the Commission's orders.¹ This PAP is also subject to the following provisions ordered by the Commission in Order No. 8, Par. 42, Docket UT-061625, *In the Matter of the Petition of Qwest Corporation for and Alternative Form of Regulation ("AFOR") pursuant to RCW 80.36.135*:

- 1.1.1 The PAP shall remain in effect for the full four-year term of the AFOR, unless modified by the Commission.
- 1.1.2 The PAP must remain available to all wholesale carriers in its current form unless modified by the Commission.
- 1.1.3 The PAP terms must apply to all wholesale service provided by Qwest as a substitute for unbundled network elements ("UNE substitute services") during the term of the AFOR, unless the affected parties agree otherwise.²

2.0 Plan Structure

2.1 The PAP is a two-tiered, self-executing remedy plan. CLEC shall be provided with Tier 1 payments if, as applicable, Qwest does not provide parity between the service it provides to CLEC and that which it provides to its own retail customers, or Qwest fails to meet applicable benchmarks.

- 2.1.1 As specified in section 7.0, if Qwest fails to meet parity and benchmark standards on an aggregate CLEC basis, Qwest shall make Tier 2 payments to a Fund established by the state regulatory commission or, if required by existing law, to the state general fund.

¹ The PAP is attached as Exhibit K to Qwest's Statement of Generally Available Terms ("SGAT") on file with the Commission, and the PAP incorporates or references other provisions of, or exhibits to, the SGAT. The PAP remains in effect and available for adoption by CLEC according to its terms and the terms of any applicable interconnection or commercial agreement, without regard to the legal effect or availability for adoption of the SGAT as a whole.

² "UNE substitute services" means services Qwest offers to CLECs as substitutes for unbundled network elements that (a) are no longer available as unbundled network elements under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) as a result of the Triennial Review Order, Triennial Review Remand Order or any other FCC orders and (b) were previously included in Qwest's Performance Assurance Plan and measured by Performance Indicator Definitions in effect.

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2.2 As specified in sections 6.0 and 7.0 and Attachments 1 and 2, payment is generally on a per occurrence basis, (i.e., a set dollar payment times the number of non-conforming service events). For the performance measurements which do not lend themselves to per occurrence payment, payment is on a per measurement basis, (i.e., a set dollar payment). The level of payment also depends upon the number of consecutive months of non-conforming performance, (i.e., an escalating payment the longer the duration of non-conforming performance) unless otherwise specified.

2.3 Qwest shall be in conformance with the parity standard when service Qwest provides to CLEC is equivalent to that which it provides to its retail customers. The PAP relies upon statistical scoring to determine whether any difference between CLEC and Qwest performance results is significant, that is, not attributable to simple random variation. Statistical parity shall exist when performance results for CLEC and for Qwest retail analogues result in a z-value that is no greater than the critical z-values listed in the Critical Z-Statistical Table in section 5.0.

2.4 For performance measurements that have no Qwest retail analogue, agreed upon benchmarks shall be used. Benchmarks shall be evaluated using a "stare and compare" method. For example, if the benchmark for a particular performance measurement is 95% or better, Qwest performance results must be at least 95% to meet the benchmark. Percentage benchmarks will be adjusted to round the allowable number of misses up or down to the closest integer, except when a benchmark standard and low CLEC volume are such that a 100% performance result would be required to meet the standard and has not been attained, in which case section 3.1.2 applies.

3.0 Performance Measurements

3.1 The performance measurements that are in the PAP and either (1) subject to the PAP payment mechanisms or (2) not subject to the PAP payment mechanisms but subject to the Reinstatement/Removal Process set forth in section 3.2 below are identified in Attachment 1 and sections 6.3 and 7.4. Each performance measurement identified is defined in the Performance Indicator Definitions ("PIDs") included in the SGAT at Exhibit B.³

3.1.1 On Attachment 1, the measurements have been designated as Tier 1, Tier 2, or both Tier 1 and Tier 2 and given a High, Medium, or Low designation.

3.1.2 Where applicable elsewhere in the PAP, this provision modifies other provisions and operates as follows: For any Tier 1 or Tier 2 benchmark or non-interval parity performance submeasure, Qwest shall apply one allowable miss to a submeasure disaggregation that otherwise would require 100% performance before the performance is considered as non-conforming to standard (1) if at the CLEC-aggregate level, the performance standard is met or (2) where the CLEC-aggregate

³ The PID is attached as Exhibit B to Qwest's SGAT on file with the Commission, and the PAP incorporates or references this SGAT Exhibit. The PAP, including the incorporated Exhibit B measures, remains in effect and available for adoption by CLEC according to its terms and the terms of any applicable interconnection or commercial agreement, without regard to the legal effect or availability for adoption of the SGAT as a whole.

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performance must be 100% to meet the standard, the CLEC-aggregate performance is conforming after applying one allowable miss at that level.

3.2 The following measures, which are listed in Attachment 1 or section 7.4, are not subject to the payment mechanisms of the PAP; however, they are subject to the PID Reinstatement/Removal Process. All other measures listed in Attachment 1, section 6.3 or section 7.4 are subject to the PAP payment mechanisms, but they are not subject to the PID Reinstatement/Removal Process.

- GA-3 Gateway Availability EB-TA
- GA-4 System Availability EXACT
- GA-7 Timely Outage Resolution following Software Releases
- PO-2B Electronic Flow-through
- PO-3 LSR Rejection Notice Interval
- PO-5D Firm Order Confirmations (FOCs) On Time (ASRs for LIS Trunks)
- PO-7 Billing Completion Notification Timeliness
- PO-8 Jeopardy Notice Interval
- PO-16 Timely Release Notifications
- OP-17 Timeliness of Disconnects Associated with LNP Orders
- MR-11 LNP Trouble Reports Cleared within Specified Timeframes
- BI-4 Billing Completeness
- NI-1 Trunk Blocking
- NP-1 NXX Code Activation

3.3 PID Reinstatement/Removal Process: If Qwest's performance for any sub-measure of the PIDs listed in section 3.2 above does not conform to the established PID standard as set forth in the PAP for three consecutive months, that sub-measure will be reinstated (i.e., be subject to the PAP payment mechanisms) subject to the retroactive payment provision of section 3.3.2 and subject to the PAP payment mechanisms effective in the month following the three consecutive months. The determination of whether a PID sub-measure is reinstated is made no later than at the end of the second month following the third consecutive month of non-conforming performance. The sub-measure will remain subject to the PAP payment mechanisms until Qwest's performance for that sub-measure satisfies the established standards for three consecutive months. Effective the month following such conforming performance, the sub-measure will no longer be subject to the PAP payment mechanisms but will continue to be subject to the PID Reinstatement/Removal Process. The determination of whether a PID sub-measure is removed from being subject to the PAP payment mechanisms is made no later than the end of the second month following the third consecutive month of conforming performance. Where applicable elsewhere in the PAP, this PID Reinstatement/Removal Process modifies other provisions and operates as follows:

3.3.1 Disaggregation and Reporting Levels: Performance will be evaluated at the lowest level of disaggregation defined in Exhibit B of the SGAT on a CLEC-aggregated or other-aggregated basis such that performance is evaluated for the purposes of administering the Reinstatement/Removal Process on a statewide or regionwide level, as applicable per the PID.

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3.3.2 Retroactive Payments: To calculate retroactive payments for the sub-measures reinstated, PAP payment mechanisms will be applied to the three consecutive months in which the standard was missed, which triggered reinstatement. These retroactive payments will be made to applicable CLECs or the Tier 2 fund, depending upon the tier designation of the PID, at the end of the third month after the month in which performance triggered re-instatement.

3.3.2.1 Accounting for Payments: In support of retroactive payments (section 3.3.2 above), Qwest will account separately for PAP payments that would have been made to individual CLECs or to the Tier 2 Fund for a sub-measure as though it had been subject to the PAP payment mechanisms, where automatic reinstatement applies, and account separately in the same manner for the time between when it is determined that a sub-measure met the standard for automatic removal and the effective date of removal (the month following the three consecutive "met" months). With regard to sub-measures that are subsequently removed again through this process, any PAP payments made during the three consecutive months which triggers automatic removal will not be recovered by Qwest.

3.3.2.2 Interest: In the case of automatic reinstatement, retroactive payments will include interest calculated at the prime rate as reported in the *Wall Street Journal* from the date a payment would have been made to the date the payment is actually made.

3.3.2.3 Tracking: Qwest will track and report service and payment results, including retroactive and avoided (i.e., during periods of removal) PAP payments and the disposition of the avoided payments on a CLEC, PID sub-measure and aggregate basis each month.

3.3.3 Public Website: Qwest will maintain a public website showing the PAP status of each PID or sub-measure with respect to the applicability of the PAP payment mechanisms (i.e., reinstated or removed), which eliminates the requirement to make filings with the Commission to modify the PAP due to the application of the PID Reinstatement/Removal Process.

4.0 Statistical Measurement

4.1 Qwest uses a statistical test, namely the modified "z-test," for evaluating the difference between two means (i.e., Qwest and CLEC service or repair intervals) or two percentages (e.g., Qwest and CLEC proportions), to determine whether a parity condition exists between the results for Qwest and the CLEC(s). The modified z-tests shall be applicable if the number of data points are greater than 30 for a given measurement. For testing measurements for which the number of data points are 30 or less, Qwest will use a permutation test to determine the statistical significance of the difference between Qwest and CLEC.

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4.2 Qwest shall be in conformance when the monthly performance results for parity measurements (whether in the form of means, percents, or proportions and at the equivalent level of disaggregation) are such that the calculated z-test statistics are not greater than the critical z-values as listed in Table 1, section 5.0.

4.3 Qwest shall be in conformance with benchmark measurements when the monthly performance result equals or exceeds the benchmark, if a higher value means better performance, and when the monthly performance result equals or is less than the benchmark if a lower value means better performance.

The formula for determining parity using the modified z-test is:

$$z = \text{DIFF} / \sigma_{\text{DIFF}}$$

Where:

$$\text{DIFF} = M_{\text{Qwest}} - M_{\text{CLEC}}$$

$$M_{\text{QWEST}} = \text{Qwest average or proportion}$$

$$M_{\text{CLEC}} = \text{CLEC average or proportion}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{DIFF}} = \text{square root } \square \sigma^2_{\text{Qwest}} (1/n_{\text{CLEC}} + 1/n_{\text{Qwest}})]$$

$$\sigma^2_{\text{Qwest}} = \text{calculated variance for Qwest}$$

$$n_{\text{Qwest}} = \text{number of observations or samples used in Qwest measurement}$$

$$n_{\text{CLEC}} = \text{number of observations or samples used in CLEC measurement}$$

The modified z-tests will be applied to reported parity measurements that contain more than 30 data points.

In calculating the difference between Qwest and CLEC performance, the above formula applies when a larger Qwest value indicates a better level of performance. In cases where a smaller Qwest value indicates a higher level of performance, the order is reversed, i.e., $M_{\text{CLEC}} - M_{\text{QWEST}}$.

The practical application of the modified z-test and critical z-values to per occurrence payment calculations for measures with parity standards is described in more detail in sections 8 and 9. Payment calculations consider Qwest's processes and Table 1 critical z-values to determine whether Qwest's wholesale performance provided was statistically equivalent to performance Qwest provided itself. To determine this, parity values are developed. For instances where higher is better, the parity value formula is:

$$\text{Parity value} = \text{ILEC mean} - \text{critical z-value} * \text{square root } \square \sigma^2_{\text{Qwest}} (1/n_{\text{CLEC}} + 1/n_{\text{Qwest}})]$$

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In cases where lower values represent better performance, the minus sign is simply reversed.

4.3.1 For parity measurements where the number of data points is 30 or less, Qwest will apply a permutation test to test for statistical significance. Permutation analysis will be applied to calculate the z-statistic using the following logic:

Calculate the modified z-statistic for the actual arrangement of the data

Pool and mix the CLEC and Qwest data sets

Perform the following 1000 times:

Randomly subdivide the pooled data sets into two pools, one the same size as the original CLEC data set (n_{CLEC}) and one reflecting the remaining data points (which is equal to the size of the original Qwest data set or n_{QWEST}).

Compute and store the modified z-test score (Z_S) for this sample.

Count the number of times the z-statistic for a permutation of the data is greater than the actual modified z- statistic.

Compute the fraction of permutations for which the statistic for the rearranged data is greater than the statistic for the actual samples.

If the fraction is greater than α , the significance level of the test, the hypothesis of no difference is not rejected, and the test is passed. The α shall be .05 when the critical z value is 1.645 and .15 when the critical z value is 1.04.

5.0 Critical Z-Value

5.1 The following table shall be used to determine the critical z-value that is referred to in sections 4.0 and 6.0. It is based on the monthly business volume of the CLEC for the particular performance measurements for which statistical testing is being performed.

TABLE 1: CRITICAL Z-VALUE

CLEC volume (Sample size)	LIS Trunks, UDITs, Resale, UBL-DS1 and DS-3	All Other
1-10	1.04*	1.645
11-150	1.645	1.645
151-300	2.0	2.0
301-600	2.7	2.7
601-3000	3.7	3.7
3001 and above	4.3	4.3

* The critical z-value 1.04 applies for individual month testing for performance measurements involving LIS trunks and DS-1 and DS-3 that are UDITs, Resale, or Unbundled Loops. The performance measurements are OP-3d/e, OP-4d/e, OP-5a, OP-6-4/5, MR-5a/b, MR-7d/e, and MR-8.

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For purposes of determining consecutive month misses, 1.645 shall be used. Where performance measurements disaggregate to zone 1 and zone 2, the zones shall be combined for purposes of statistical testing.

6.0 Tier 1 Payments to CLEC

6.1 Tier 1 payments to CLEC shall be made solely for the performance measurements designated as Tier 1 on Attachment 1. The payment amount for non-conforming service varies depending upon the designation of performance measurements as High, Medium, and Low and the duration of the non-conforming service condition as described below. Non-conforming service is defined in section 4.0.

6.1.1 Determination of Non-Conforming Measurements: The number of performance measurements that are determined to be non-conforming and, therefore, eligible for Tier 1 payments, are limited according to the critical z-value shown in Table 1, section 5.0. The critical z-values are the statistical standard that determines for each CLEC performance measurement whether Qwest has met parity. The critical z-value is selected from Table 1 according to the monthly CLEC volume for the performance measurement. For instance, if the CLEC sample size for that month is 100, the critical z-value is 1.645 for the statistical testing of that parity performance measurement.

6.2 Determination of the Amount of Payment: Tier 1 payments to CLEC, except as provided for in sections 6.2.3, 6.3 and 10.0, are calculated and paid monthly based on the number of performance measurements exceeding the critical z-value. Payments will be made on either a per occurrence or per measurement basis, depending upon the performance measurement, using the dollar amounts specified in Table 2 or 2A below. The dollar amounts vary depending upon whether the performance measurement is designated High, Medium, or Low and escalate depending upon the number of consecutive months for which Qwest has not met the standard for the particular measurement. Tier 1 payment escalation shall be in accordance with Table 2 or 2A below.

6.2.1 The escalation of payments for consecutive months of non-conforming service will be matched month for month with de-escalation of payments for every month of conforming service. For example, if Qwest has four consecutive monthly "misses" it will make payments that escalate from month 1 to month 4 as shown in Table 2 or 2A, if applicable. If, in the next month, service meets the standard, Qwest makes no payment. A payment "indicator" de-escalates down from month 4 to month 3. If Qwest misses the following month, it will make payment at the month 3 level of Table 2 or 2A because that is where the payment "indicator" presently sits. If Qwest misses again the following month, it will make payments that escalate back to the month 4 level. The payment level will de-escalate back to the original month 1 level only upon conforming service sufficient to move the payment "indicator" back to the month 1 level.

6.2.2 For those performance measurements listed on Attachment 2 as "Performance Measurements Subject to Per Measurement Caps," excluding BI-3A,

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payment to a CLEC in a single month shall not exceed the amount listed in Table 2 below for the “Per Measurement Cap” category. For those performance measurements listed on Attachment 2 as “Performance Measurements Subject to Per Measurement Payments,” if any should be added at a later time, payment to a CLEC will be the amount set forth in Table 2 below under the section labeled “Per Measurement Cap.”

TABLE 2: TIER 1 PAYMENTS TO CLEC

Per Occurrence							
Measurement Group	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Each following month after Month 6 add
High	\$150	\$250	\$500	\$600	\$700	\$800	\$100
Medium	\$ 75	\$150	\$300	\$400	\$500	\$600	\$100
Low	\$ 25	\$ 50	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400	\$100

Per Measurement Cap							
Measurement Group	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Each following month after Month 6 add
High	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$125,000	\$150,000	\$25,000
Medium	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 60,000	\$10,000
Low	\$ 5,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 5,000

TABLE 2A: TIER 1 PAYMENTS TO CLEC – SPECIFIC PRODUCTS

Per Occurrence							
Measurement Group	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Each following month after Month 6 add
DS3 – UBL	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$5,000	\$5,500	\$500
DS3 – UDIT	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,300	\$2,600	\$2,900	\$300

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DS1 – UBL	\$ 300	\$ 400	\$ 600	\$ 800	\$ 900	\$1,000	\$100
DS1 – EELs	\$300	\$400	\$600	\$800	\$900	\$1,000	\$100

6.2.3 For the BI-3A performance measurement, the dollar payment amount for non-conforming performance varies depending upon the Total Bill Adjustment Amount for the CLEC. The payment amount is calculated using Table 2B below by multiplying the per occurrence amount times the number of occurrences based on the Total Bill Adjustment Amount,⁴ capped at the amount shown in the table for that Total Bill Adjustment Amount. The escalation of payments for consecutive months as stated in section 6.2.1 does not apply.

TABLE 2B: TIER 1 PAYMENTS TO CLECS FOR BI-3A

Total Bill Adjustment Amount	Per Occurrence Amount	Cap
\$0 - \$0.99	\$0	\$0
\$1 - \$199.99	\$1	\$200
\$200 - \$999.99	\$10	\$5,000
\$1,000 - \$9,999.99	\$10	\$10,000
\$10,000 - \$49,999.99	\$15	\$15,000
\$50,000 - \$99,999.99	\$20	\$20,000
\$100,000 and over	\$25	\$25,000

6.3 Except as specifically addressed by WAC 480-120-560, the PAP collocation performance measures shall rely on CP-2 and CP-4 performance measurements for delineation of collocation business rules. For purposes of calculating Tier 1 payments for failure to meet collocation installation intervals, if Qwest fails to deliver the Collocation space by the required Ready for Service (RFS) date, Qwest will credit the CLEC in an amount equal to one tenth (1/10) of the total non-recurring charge for the ordered Collocation for each week beyond the required RFS date. For purposes of calculating Tier 1 payments for collocation feasibility studies that are later than the due date, a per day payment will be applied according to Table 3. The calculation of the payment amount will be performed by applying the per day payment amounts as specified in Table 3. Thus, for days 1 through 10, the payment is \$45 per day. For days 11 through 20, the payment is \$90 per day and so on.

TABLE 3: TIER-1 COLLOCATION FEASIBILITY STUDY PAYMENTS TO CLECS

Days Late	Feasibility Study
1 to 10 days	\$45/day
11 to 20 days	\$90/day
21 to 30 days	\$135/day
31 to 40 days	\$180/day
More than 40 days	\$300/day

⁴ Total Bill Adjustment Amount is determined by subtracting the BI-3A numerator from the BI-3A denominator as defined in the BI-3 PID formula.

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6.4 A minimum payment calculation shall be performed by Qwest at the end of each year for each CLEC with annual order volumes of no more than 1,200. The payment shall be calculated by adding the applicable payment amount in Table 4 below for each month in which at least one payment was made to the CLEC. To the extent that the actual CLEC payment for the year is less than the product of the preceding calculation, Qwest shall make an additional payment equal to the difference.

TABLE 4: MINIMUM PAYMENTS TO CLECS

Total Monthly Payment:	Minimum Payment Amount:
Less than \$200	\$ 0
Between \$200 and \$800	\$ 1,500
Between \$801 and \$1,400	\$ 2,000
Over \$1,400	\$ 2,500

7.0 Tier 2 Payments to the State

7.1 Payments to the State shall be limited to the performance measurements designated in section 7.4 for Tier 2 per measurement payments and in Attachment 1 for per occurrence payments and which have at least 10 data points each month for the period payments are being calculated. Similar to the Tier 1 structure, Tier 2 measurements are categorized as High, Medium, and Low and the amount of payments for non-conformance varies according to this categorization.

7.2 **Determination of Non-Conforming Measurements:** The determination of non-conformance will be based upon the aggregate of all CLEC data for each Tier 2 performance measurement. Non-conforming service is defined in section 4.2 (for parity measurements) and 4.3 (for benchmark measurements), except that a 1.645 critical z-value shall be used for all parity measurements but MR-2 and OP-2. The critical z-value is the statistical standard that determines for each performance measurement whether Qwest has met parity.

7.3 **Determination of the Amount of Payment:** Except as provided in section 7.4, Tier 2 payments are calculated and paid monthly based on the number of performance measurements exceeding the critical z-value, identified in section 7.2, in any single month. Payment will be made on either a per occurrence or per measurement basis, whichever is applicable to the performance measurement, using the dollar amounts specified in Table 5 or Table 6 below. Except as provided in section 7.4, the dollar amounts vary depending upon whether the performance measurement is designated High, Medium, or Low.

7.3.1 For those Tier 2 measurements listed on Attachment 2 as "Performance Measurements Subject to Per Measurement Caps," payment to the State in a single month shall not exceed the amount listed in Table 5 for the "Per Measurement Cap" category.

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TABLE 5: TIER 2 PAYMENTS TO STATE FUNDS

Per Occurrence

Measurement Group	
High	\$500
Medium	\$300
Low	\$200

Per Measurement Cap

Measurement Group	
High	\$75,000
Medium	\$30,000
Low	\$20,000

7.4 Performance Measurements Subject to Per Measurement Payment: The following Tier 2 performance measurements shall have their performance results measured on a region-wide (14 state) basis. The performance measurements are:

- GA-1: Gateway Availability - IMA-GUI
- GA-3: Gateway Availability – EB-TA
- GA-4: System Availability – EXACT
- GA-6: Gateway Availability – GUI-Repair
- GA-8: Gateway Availability – IMA-XML
- PO-1: Pre-Order/Order Response Times
- OP-2: Call Answered within Twenty Seconds – Interconnect Provisioning Center
- MR-2: Calls Answered within Twenty Seconds – Interconnect Repair Center

GA-1 has two sub-measurements: GA-1A and GA-1D. PO-1 has two sub-measurements: PO-1A and PO-1X. PO-1A and PO-1X shall have their transaction types aggregated together.

GA-8 and PO-1 are subject to a stabilization period. For each of these new measures/sub-measures that include XML results there will be a 3-month measurement stabilization period. During this period, no payment applies if the payment is determined to have been caused by the development to include XML into the PID results and not due to an actual performance miss. In order to determine the cause of payments during the stabilization period, if any payments are identified, the payment's due date will be extended for 30 days to provide Qwest the opportunity to perform root cause analysis and make the results readily available to the impacted parties. Until performance reporting includes XML results, the prior measures/sub-measures included in the PAP will apply. Further, should either the IMA-GUI or IMA-XML interfaces be replaced in the future, results from the replacement interfaces will be automatically incorporated into these measures and be included in the PAP (with a stabilization period) coincident with CLEC migration to the new interfaces subject to changes to the impacted measures including but not limited to modification due to operational differences with the replacement interfaces.

For these measurements, Qwest will make a Tier 2 payment based upon monthly performance results according to Table 6: Tier 2 Per Measurement Payments to State Funds.

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TABLE 6: TIER 2 PER MEASUREMENT PAYMENTS TO STATE FUNDS

Measurement	Performance	State Payment
GA-1,3,4,6,8	1% or lower	\$1,000
	>1% to 3%	\$10,000
	>3% to 5%	\$20,000
	>5%	\$30,000
PO-1	2 sec. or less	\$1,000
	>2 sec. to 5 sec.	\$5,000
	>5 sec. to 10 sec.	\$10,000
	>10 sec.	\$15,000
OP-2/MR-2	1% or lower	\$1,000
	>1% to 3%	\$5,000
	>3% to 5%	\$10,000
	>5%	\$15,000

7.5 Payment of Tier 2 Funds: Payments to a state fund shall be used for any purpose determined by the Commission that is allowed to it by state law. Qwest must deposit any payments of Tier 2 funds for Washington State into the Public Service Revolving Fund, the account within the Washington State treasury established to fund Commission expenses.

8.0 Step by Step Calculation of Monthly Tier 1 Payments to CLEC

8.1 Application of the Critical Z-Values: Qwest shall identify the Tier 1 parity performance measurements that measure the service provided to CLEC by Qwest for the month in question and the critical z-value from Table 1 in section 5.0 that shall be used for purposes of statistical testing for each particular performance measurement. The statistical testing procedures described in section 4.0 shall be applied. For the purpose of determining the critical z-values, each disaggregated category of a performance measurement is treated as a separate sub-measurement. The critical z-value to be applied is determined by the CLEC volume at each level of disaggregation or sub-measurement.

8.2 Performance Measurements for which Tier 1 Payment is Per Occurrence:

8.2.1 Performance Measurements that are Averages or Means:

8.2.1.1 Step 1: For each performance measurement, the parity value described in section 4.3 shall be calculated. (For benchmark measurements, the benchmark value shall be used.)

8.2.1.2 Step 2: The percentage differences between the CLEC averages and the parity value shall be calculated. The calculation is % diff = (CLEC result – Parity Value)/Parity Value.

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8.2.1.3 Step 3: For each performance measurement, the total number of data points shall be multiplied by the percentage calculated in the previous step and the per occurrence dollar amounts from the Tier 1 Payment Tables shall determine the payment to the CLEC for each non-conforming performance measurement.

8.2.2 Performance Measurements that are Percentages:

8.2.2.1 Step 1: For each performance measurement, the percentage determined by the parity value described in section 4.3 shall be calculated. (For benchmark measurements, the benchmark value shall be used.)

8.2.2.2 Step 2: The difference between the actual percentages for the CLEC and the parity value percentages shall be determined.

8.2.2.3 Step 3: For each performance measurement, the total number of data points shall be multiplied by the difference in percentage calculated in the previous step, and the per occurrence dollar amount taken from the Tier 1 Payment Tables, to determine the payment to the CLEC for each non-conforming performance measurement.

8.2.3 Performance Measurements that are Ratios or Proportions:

8.2.3.1 Step 1: For each performance measurement the ratio determined by the parity value described in section 4.3 shall be calculated. (For benchmark measurements, the benchmark value shall be used.)

8.2.3.2 Step 2: The absolute difference between the actual rate for the CLEC and the parity value rate shall be determined.

8.2.3.3 Step 3: For each performance measurement, the total number of data points shall be multiplied by the difference calculated in the previous step, and the per occurrence dollar amount taken from the Tier 1 Payment Tables, to determine the payment to the CLEC for each non-conforming performance measurement.

8.3 Performance Measurements for which Tier 1 Payment is Per Measure:

8.3.1 For each performance measurement where Qwest fails to meet the standard, the payment to the CLEC shall be the dollar amount shown on the "per measure" portion of Table 2: Tier 1 Payments to CLEC.

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9.0 Step by Step Calculation of Monthly Tier 2 Payments to State Funds

9.1 Application of the Critical Z-Values: Qwest shall identify the Tier 2 parity performance measurements that measure the service provided to all CLECs by Qwest for the month in question. The statistical testing procedures described in section 4.0 shall be applied, except that a 1.645 critical z-value shall be used for all parity measurements except MR-2 and OP-2. If Qwest misses a performance standard and there are at least 10 data points for the performance measurement, a Tier 2 payment will be calculated and paid as described below and will continue in each succeeding month until Qwest's performance meets the applicable standard.

9.2 Performance Measurements for which Tier 2 Payment is Per Occurrence:

9.2.1 Performance Measurements that are Averages or Means:

9.2.1.1 Step 1: The parity value described in section 4.3 shall be calculated. (For benchmark measurements, the benchmark value shall be used.)

9.2.1.2 Step 2: The percentage difference between the CLEC averages and the parity value for each month shall be calculated. The calculation for parity measurements is $\% \text{ diff} = (\text{CLEC average} - \text{parity value}) / \text{parity value}$.

9.2.1.3 Step 3: For each performance measurement, the total number of data points each month shall be multiplied by the percentage calculated in the previous step. The amount (rounded to the nearest integer) is then calculated and multiplied by the result of the per occurrence dollar amount taken from the Tier 2 Payment Table to determine the payment to the State for each non-conforming performance measurement.

9.2.2 Performance Measurements that are Percentages:

9.2.2.1 Step 1: For each performance measurement, the monthly percentage determined by the parity value described in section 4.3 for each month shall be calculated. (For benchmark measurements, the benchmark value shall be used.)

9.2.2.2 Step 2: The difference between the CLEC percentages and the parity value percentage for each non-conforming month shall be calculated. The calculation for parity measurement is $\text{diff} = (\text{CLEC result} - \text{parity value percentage})$. This formula shall be applicable where a high value is indicative of poor performance. The formula shall be reversed where high performance is indicative of good performance.

9.2.2.3 Step 3: For each performance measurement, the total number of data points shall be multiplied by the difference in percentage calculated in the previous step. The amount (rounded to the nearest integer) is then multiplied

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by the result of the per occurrence dollar amounts taken from the Tier 2 Payment Table to determine the payment to the State.

9.2.3 Performance Measurements that are Ratios or Proportions:

9.2.3.1 Step 1: For each performance measurement, the ratio determined by the parity value described in section 4.3 for each month shall be calculated. (For benchmark measurements, the benchmark value shall be used.)

9.2.3.2 Step 2: The difference between the actual rate for the CLEC and the parity value rate for each non-conforming month shall be calculated. The calculation is: $\text{diff} = (\text{CLEC rate} - \text{parity value rate})$. This formula shall apply where a high value is indicative of poor performance. The formula shall be reversed where high performance is indicative of good performance.

9.2.3.3 Step 3: For each performance measurement, the total number of data points shall be multiplied by the difference calculated in the previous step for each month. The amount (rounded to the nearest integer) is then multiplied by the result of the per occurrence dollar amounts taken from the Tier 2 Payment Table to determine the payment to the State.

9.3 Performance Measurements for which Tier 2 Payment is Per Measure:

9.3.1 For each performance measurement where Qwest fails to meet the standard, the payment to the State Fund shall be the dollar amount shown on the "Per Measurement" Tier 2 Payment Table in the State Payment column.

10.0 Low Volume, Developing Markets

10.1 For certain qualifying performance standards, if the aggregate monthly volumes of CLECs participating in the PAP are more than 10, but less than 100, Qwest will make Tier 1 payments to CLECs for failure to meet the parity or benchmark standard for the qualifying performance sub-measurements. The qualifying sub-measurements are the ADSL qualified loop product disaggregations of OP-3, OP-4, OP-5a, MR-3, MR-5, MR-7, and MR-8. If the aggregate monthly CLEC volume is greater than 100, the provisions of this section shall not apply to the qualifying performance sub-measurement.

10.2 The determination of whether Qwest has met the parity or benchmark standards will be made using aggregate volumes of CLECs participating in the PAP. In the event Qwest does not meet the applicable performance standards, a total payment to affected CLECs will be determined in accordance with the high, medium, low designation for each performance measurement (see Attachment 1) and as described in section 8.0, except that CLEC aggregate volumes will be used. In the event the calculated total payment amount to CLECs is less than \$5,000, a minimum payment of \$5,000 shall be made. The resulting total payment amount to CLECs will be apportioned to the affected CLECs based upon each CLEC's relative share of the number of total service misses.

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10.3 At the six (6)-month reviews, Qwest will consider adding to the above list of qualifying performance sub-measurements, new products disaggregation representing new modes of CLEC entry into developing markets.

11.0 Payment

11.1 Payments to CLEC or the State, except as provided in section 11.3, shall be made one month following the due date of the performance measurement report for the month for which payment is being made. Qwest will pay interest on any late payment and underpayment at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal. Interest on any late payments and underpayments shall not be included in assessments of the annual cap described in section 12.1. On any overpayment, Qwest is allowed to offset future payments by the amount of the overpayment plus interest at the prime rate.

11.2 All payments shall be in cash. Qwest shall be allowed, after obtaining the individual agreement of CLEC, to make such cash payments through the use of electronic fund transfers to CLEC and the State. Qwest shall be able to offset cash payments to CLECs with bill credits applied against any non-disputed charges that are more than 90 days past due.

11.3 This PAP does not prohibit the Commission from directing the establishment of an identified escrow account or other fund, and or contributing a portion of Tier 2 funds to the escrow account for the purpose of funding a multi-state process to review and audit the PAP.

12.0 Cap on Tier 1 and Tier 2 Payments

12.1 There shall be a cap on the total payments made by Qwest for a 12 month period beginning with the effective date of the PAP for the State of Washington. The annual cap for the State of Washington shall be 36% of ARMIS Net Return, recalculated each year based on the prior year's Washington ARMIS results or equivalent data. Qwest shall submit to the Commission the calculation of each year's cap no later than 30 days after the submission of ARMIS results to the FCC. CLEC agrees that this amount constitutes a maximum annual cap that shall apply to the aggregate total of Tier 1 liquidated damages and Tier 2 assessments or payments made by Qwest. Subject to the limitations in section 13, the following shall not count toward the cap: any penalties imposed by the Commission; any penalties imposed directly by this PAP for failure to report, failure to report timely, or failure to report accurately; and any interest payments for underpayment.

12.2 If the annual cap is reached, each CLEC shall, as of the end of the year, be entitled to receive the same percentage of its total calculated Tier 1 payments. In order to preserve the operation of the annual cap, the percentage equalization shall take place as follows:

12.2.1 The amount by which any month's total year-to-date Tier 1 and Tier 2 payments exceeds the cumulative monthly cap (defined as 1/12th of the annual cap times the cumulative number of months to date) shall be calculated and apportioned

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between Tier 1 and Tier 2 according to the percentage that each bore of total payments for the year-to-date. The Tier 1 apportionment resulting of this calculation shall be known as the "Tracking Account."

12.2.2 The Tier 1 apportionment shall be debited against the monthly payment due to each CLEC, by applying to the year-to-date payments received by each the percentage necessary to generate the required total Tier 1 amount.

12.2.3 The Tracking Amount shall be apportioned among all CLECs so as to provide each with payments equal in percentage of its total year to date Tier 1 payment calculations.

12.2.4 This calculation shall take place in the first month that the year-to-date total Tier 1 and Tier 2 payments are expected to exceed the cumulative monthly cap and for each month of that year thereafter. Qwest shall recover any debited amounts by reducing payments due from any CLEC for that and any succeeding months, as necessary.

13.0 Limitations

13.1 The PAP shall not become available in the State unless and until Qwest receives effective section 271 authority from the FCC for that State.

13.2 Qwest will not be liable for Tier 1 payments to CLEC in an FCC approved state until the Commission has approved an interconnection agreement between CLEC and Qwest which adopts the provisions of this PAP or until a commercial agreement for UNE substitute services between CLEC and Qwest which adopts the provisions of this PAP is in effect.

13.3 The Commission will determine whether a request for waiver of payment obligations will be granted. Qwest must file any waiver request with the Commission no later than the last business day of the month after the month in which payments are being disputed. If such waiver is granted, Qwest shall not be obligated to make Tier 1 or Tier 2 payments for any measurement if and to the extent that non-conformance for that measurement was the result of any of the following: 1) with respect to performance measurements with a benchmark standard, a Force Majeure event as defined in section 5.7 of the SGAT. Qwest will provide notice of the occurrence of a Force Majeure event within 72 hours of the time Qwest learns of the event or within a reasonable time frame that Qwest should have learned of it; 2) an act or omission by a CLEC that is contrary to any of its obligations under its interconnection agreement with Qwest or under federal or state law; an act or omission by CLEC that is in bad faith. Examples of bad faith conduct include, but are not limited to: unreasonably holding service orders and/or applications, "dumping" orders or applications in unreasonably large batches, "dumping" orders or applications at or near the close of a business day, on a Friday evening or prior to a holiday, and failing to provide timely forecasts to Qwest for services or facilities when such forecasts are explicitly required by the SGAT; 3) problems associated with third-party systems or equipment, which could not have been avoided by Qwest in the exercise of reasonable diligence, *provided, however*, that this third party exclusion will not be

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raised in the State more than three times within a calendar year. If a Force Majeure event or other excusing event recognized in this section merely suspends Qwest's ability to timely perform an activity subject to a performance measurement that is an interval measure, the applicable time frame in which Qwest's compliance with the parity (excluding Force Majeure events) or benchmark criterion is measured will be extended on an hour-for-hour or day-for-day basis, as applicable, equal to the duration of the excusing event.

13.3.1 Qwest will not be excused from Tier 1 or Tier 2 payments for any reason except as described in Section 13.0. Qwest will have the burden of demonstrating that its non-conformance with the performance measurement was excused on one of the grounds described in this PAP. A party may petition the Commission to require Qwest to deposit disputed payments into an escrow account when the requesting party can show cause, such as commercial uncertainty.

13.3.2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this PAP, it shall not excuse performance that Qwest could reasonably have been expected to deliver assuming that it had designed, implemented, staffed, provisioned, and otherwise provided for resources reasonably required to meet foreseeable volumes and patterns of demands upon its resources by CLECs.

13.4 Qwest's agreement to implement these enforcement terms, and specifically its agreement to pay any "liquidated damages" or "assessments" hereunder, will not be considered as an admission against interest or an admission of liability in any legal, regulatory, or other proceeding relating in whole or in part to the same performance.

13.4.1 CLEC may not use: 1) the existence of this enforcement plan; or 2) Qwest's payment of Tier -1 "liquidated damages" or Tier 2 "assessments" as evidence that Qwest has discriminated in the provision of any facilities or services under Sections 251 or 252, or has violated any state or federal law or regulation. Qwest's conduct underlying its performance measures, however are not made inadmissible by its terms.

13.4.2 By accepting this performance remedy plan, CLEC agrees that Qwest's performance with respect to this remedy plan may not be used as an admission of liability or culpability for a violation of any state or federal law or regulation. (Nothing herein is intended to preclude Qwest from introducing evidence of any Tier 1 "liquidated damages" under these provisions for the purpose of offsetting the payment against any other damages or payments a CLEC might recover.) The terms of this paragraph do not apply to any proceeding before the Commission or the FCC to determine whether Qwest has met or continues to meet the requirements of section 271 of the Act.

13.5 By incorporating these liquidated damages terms into the PAP, Qwest and CLEC accepting this PAP agree that proof of damages from any non-conforming performance measurement would be difficult to ascertain and, therefore, liquidated damages are a reasonable approximation of any contractual damages that may result from a non-conforming

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performance measurement. Qwest and CLEC further agree that Tier 1 payments made pursuant to this PAP are not intended to be a penalty. The application of the assessments and damages provided for herein is not intended to foreclose other noncontractual legal and non-contractual regulatory claims and remedies that may be available to a CLEC.

13.6 This PAP contains a comprehensive set of performance submeasures, statistical methodologies, and payment mechanisms that are designed to function together, and only together as an integrated whole. To elect the PAP, CLEC must adopt the PAP in its entirety, in its interconnection agreement with Qwest, in lieu of other alternative standards or relief, except as stated in sections 13.6.1, 13.6.2, and 13.7.

13.6.1 In electing the PAP, CLEC shall surrender any rights to remedies under state wholesale service quality rules or under any agreement designed to provide such monetary relief for the same performance issues addressed by the PAP. The PAP shall not limit either non-contractual legal or non-contractual regulatory remedies that may be available to CLEC.

13.6.2 Tier 1 payments to CLECs are in the nature of liquidated damages. Before CLEC shall be able to file an action seeking contract damages that flow from an alleged failure to perform in an area specifically measured and regulated by the PAP, CLEC must first seek permission through the Dispute Resolution Process set forth in Section 5.18 of the SGAT. This permission shall be granted only if CLEC can present a reasonable theory of damages for the non-conforming performance at issue and evidence of real world economic harm that, as applied over the preceding six months, establishes that the actual payments collected for non-conforming performance in the relevant area do not redress the extent of the competitive harm. If CLEC can make this showing, it shall be permitted to proceed with this action. Any damages awarded through this action shall be offset with payments made under this PAP. If the CLEC cannot make this showing, the action shall be barred. To the extent that CLEC's contract action relates to an area of performance not addressed by the PAP, no such procedural requirement shall apply.

13.7 If for any reason CLEC agreeing to this PAP is awarded compensation for the same harm for which it received payments under the PAP, the court or other adjudicatory body hearing such claim may offset the damages resulting from such claim against payments made for the same harm. Only that relevant finder of fact, and not Qwest in its discretion, can judge what amount, if any, of PAP payments should be offset from any judgment for a CLEC in a related action.

13.8 If Qwest believes that some Tier 2 payments duplicate payments that are made to the state under other service quality rules, Qwest may make the payments to a special interest bearing escrow account and then dispute the payments before the Commission. If Qwest can show that the payments are indeed duplicative, it may retain the money (and its interest) that indeed duplicated other state payments. Otherwise the money will be paid as Tier 2 payments.

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13.9 Whenever a Qwest Tier 1 payment to an individual CLEC exceeds \$3 million in a month, Qwest may commence a proceeding to demonstrate why it should not be required to pay any amount in excess of the \$3 million. Upon timely commencement of the proceeding, Qwest must pay the balance of payments owed in excess of \$3 million into escrow, to be held by a third-party pending the outcome of the proceeding. To invoke these escrow provisions, Qwest must file, not later than the due date of the Tier 1 payments, its application. Qwest will have the burden of proof to demonstrate why, under the circumstances, it would be unjust to require it to make the payments in excess of \$3 million. If Qwest reports non-conforming performance to CLEC for three consecutive months on 20% or more of the measurements reported to CLEC and has incurred no more than \$1 million in liability to CLEC, then CLEC may commence a similar proceeding. In any such proceeding CLEC will have the burden of proof to demonstrate why, under the circumstances, justice requires Qwest to make payments in excess of the amount calculated pursuant to the terms of the PAP. The disputes identified in this section shall be resolved in a manner specified in the Dispute Resolution section of the SGAT or interconnection agreement with the CLEC.

14.0 Reporting

14.1 Upon receiving effective section 271 authority from the FCC for a state, Qwest will provide CLEC that has an approved interconnection agreement with Qwest, a monthly report of Qwest's performance for the measurements identified in the PAP by the last day of the month following the month for which performance results are being reported. However, Qwest shall have a grace period of five business days, so that Qwest shall not be deemed out of compliance with its reporting obligations before the expiration of the five business day grace period. Qwest will collect, analyze, and report performance data for the measurements listed on Attachment 1 in accordance with the most recent version of the PIDs. Upon CLEC's request, data files of the CLEC's raw data, or any subset thereof, will be transmitted, without charge, to CLEC in a mutually acceptable format, protocol, and transmission medium.

14.2 Qwest will also provide electronic copies of monthly reports of aggregate CLEC performance results to the Commission and to Public Counsel pursuant to the PAP by the last day of the month following the month for which performance results are being reported. However, Qwest shall have a grace period of five business days, so that Qwest shall not be deemed out of compliance with its reporting obligations before the expiration of the five business day grace period. Qwest will make the State aggregate CLEC performance results available to the public on its website. Individual CLEC reports of participating CLECs will also be available to the Commission upon request. By accepting this PAP, CLEC consents to Qwest providing CLEC's report and raw data to the State Commission. Pursuant to the terms of an order of the Commission, Qwest may provide CLEC-specific data that relates to the PAP, provided that Qwest shall first initiate any procedures necessary to protect the confidentiality and to prevent the public release of the information pending any applicable Commission procedures and further provided that Qwest provides such notice as the Commission directs to the CLEC involved, in order to allow it to prosecute such procedures to their completion. Data files of participating CLEC raw data, or any subset thereof, will be transmitted, without charge, to the Commission in a mutually acceptable format, protocol, and transmission form.

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14.3 In the event Qwest does not provide CLEC and the Commission with a monthly report by the last day of the month following the month for which performance results are being reported, Qwest will pay to the State a total of \$500 for each business day for which performance reports are 6 to 10 business days past the due date; \$1,000 for each business day for which performance reports are 11 to 15 business days past the due date; and \$2,000 for each business day for which performance results are more than 15 business days past the due date. If reports are on time but are missing performance results, Qwest will pay to the State a total of one-fifth of the late report amount for each missing performance measurement, subject to a cap of the full late report amount. These amounts represent the total payments for omitting performance measurements or missing any report deadlines, rather than a payment per report. Prior to the date of a payment for late reports, Qwest may file a request for a waiver of the payment, which states the reasons for the waiver. The Commission may grant the waiver, deny the waiver, or provide any other relief that may be appropriate. Any payments made by Qwest in accordance with this section shall be excluded from assessments under the annual cap.

14.4 Qwest shall retain for a three year period (measured from the monthly payment due dates) sufficient records to demonstrate fully the basis of its calculations for making payments under this PAP. In any event, Qwest shall maintain the records in a readily useable form for one year. For the remaining two years, the records may be retained in archived format. Any payment adjustments shall be subject to the interest rate provisions of section 11.1.

15.0 Integrated Audit Program/Investigations of Performance Results

15.1 Any party may request that the Commission conduct an audit of performance results or performance measures. The Commission will determine, based upon requests and upon its own investigation, which results and/or measures should be audited. The Commission may, at its discretion, conduct audits through participation in a collaborative process with other states.

15.2 The costs of auditing will be paid for from Tier 2 funds. If such funds are insufficient, the Commission may require that a portion of Tier 1 escalated payments be set aside for auditing programs.

15.3 Qwest must report to the Commission monthly any changes it makes to the automated or manual processes used to produce performance results including data collection, generation, and reporting. The reports must include sufficient detail to enable the parties to understand the scope and nature of the changes.

15.4 In the event of a dispute between Qwest and any CLEC regarding the accuracy or integrity of data collected, generated, and reported pursuant to the PAP, Qwest and the CLEC will first consult with one another and attempt to resolve the dispute. If the issue is not resolved within 45 days, either party may request that the Commission consider the matter.

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15.5. Any party may petition the Commission to request that Qwest investigate any consecutive Tier 1 miss or any second consecutive Tier 2 miss to determine the cause of the miss and to identify the action needed in order to meet the standard set forth in the performance measurements. Qwest will report the results of its investigation to the Commission, and to the extent an investigation determines that a CLEC was responsible in whole or in part for the Tier 2 misses, Qwest may petition the Commission to request that it receive credit against future Tier 2 payments in an amount equal to the Tier 2 payments that should not have been made. Qwest may also request that the relevant portion of subsequent Tier 2 payments will not be owed until any responsible CLEC problems are corrected. For the purposes of this sub-section, Tier 1 performance measurements that have not been designated as Tier 2 will be aggregated and the aggregate results will be investigated pursuant to the terms of this agreement.

16.0 Reviews

16.1 Every six months, beginning six months after the effective date of Section 271 approval by the FCC for the state of Washington, Qwest, CLECs, or the Commission may request a review. When a review is requested, Qwest, CLECs and the Commission shall participate in a review of the performance measurements to determine whether measurements should be added, deleted, or modified; whether the applicable benchmark/parity standards should be modified or replaced by parity/benchmark standards; and whether to change the classifications of a measurement (High, Medium, Low, Tier 1, Tier 2). Criteria for review of performance measurements, other than for possible reclassification, shall be whether there exists an omission or failure to capture intended performance, and whether there is duplication of another measurement. The first six-month period will begin upon the FCC's approval of Qwest's 271 application for Washington. After the Commission considers changes proposed in the six-month review process, it shall determine what set of changes should be embodied in an amended SGAT that Qwest will file to effectuate these changes. Parties or the Commission may suggest more fundamental changes to the plan, but unless the suggestion is highly exigent, the suggestion shall either be declined or deferred until the review described in Section 16.2.

16.1.1 If any agreements on adding, modifying, or deleting performance measurements as permitted by section 16.1 are reached between Qwest and CLECs participating in an industry Regional Oversight Committee (ROC) PID administration forum, those agreements shall be incorporated into the PAP and modify the agreement between CLEC and Qwest at any time those agreements are submitted to the Commission, whether before or after a six-month review.

16.1.2 Nothing in this PAP precludes the Commission from modifying the PAP based upon its independent state law authority, subject to judicial challenge. Nothing in this PAP constitutes a grant of authority by either party to this agreement nor does it constitute a waiver by either party to this agreement of any claim either party may have that the Commission lacks jurisdiction to make any modifications to this PAP, including any modifications resulting from the process described in Section 16.1.

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16.1.3 Notwithstanding section 16.1, any party may submit a root cause analysis to the Commission requesting removal of a PID or sub-measure from the PAP or requesting exemption of a PID or sub-measure from the application of the trigger mechanism for reinstatement or subsequent removal. In the analysis and recommendations concerning the root cause analysis, the Commission is to consider, at a minimum, whether the root cause analysis provides evidence of no harm, the same harm as covered by other PID measures, non-Qwest related causes, or other factors which directly relate to the harm or circumstances specific to the PID or sub-measure being analyzed.

16.2 Two years after the effective date of FCC 271 approval of the PAP for the state of Washington, the Commission may conduct a joint review by a independent third party to examine the continuing effectiveness of the PAP as a means of inducing compliant performance. This review shall not be used to open the PAP generally to amendment, but would serve to assist the Commission in determining existing conditions and reporting to the FCC on the continuing adequacy of the PAP to serve its intended functions.

16.3 Five and one-half years after the PAP's effective date, a review shall be conducted with the objective of phasing-out the PAP entirely. The review shall focus on ensuring that phase-out of the PAP is indeed appropriate at that time, and on identifying any submeasures that should continue as part of the PAP.

16.4 The PAP neither denies nor grants the Commission the ability to join a multi-state effort to conduct PAP reviews or develop a process whereby the multi-state group would have the authority to act on the Commission's behalf.

17.0 Voluntary Performance Assurance Plan

This PAP represents Qwest's voluntary offer to provide performance assurance. Nothing in the PAP or in any conclusion of non-conformance of Qwest's service performance with the standards defined in the PAP shall be construed to be, of itself, non-conformance with the Act.

18.0 Dispute Resolution

For the purpose of resolving disputes over the meaning of the provisions of the PAP and how they should be applied, the dispute resolution provisions of the SGAT, section 5.18, shall apply whether the CLEC uses the SGAT in its entirety or elects to make the PAP part of its interconnection agreements (i.e., the unique dispute resolution provisions of interconnection agreements should not apply).

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Attachment 1: Tier 1 and Tier 2 Performance Measurements Subject to Per Occurrence Payment

Performance Measurement		Tier 1 Payments			Tier 2 Payments		
		Low	Med	High	Low	Med	High
GATEWAY							
Timely Outage Resolution	GA-7						X
PRE-ORDER/ORDERS							
Electronic Order Flow-Through	PO-2b ¹	X					X
LSR Rejection Notice Interval	PO-3 ^{a,1}	X					
Firm Order Confirmations On Time	PO-5 ¹	X				X	
Work Completion Notification Timeliness	PO-6 ^{b,1}	X					
Billing Completion Notification Timeliness	PO-7 ^{b,1}	X					
Jeopardy Notice Interval	PO-8	X					
Timely Jeopardy Notices	PO-9	X					
Release Notifications	PO-16						X
(Expanded) – Manual Service Order Accuracy	PO-20 ^{c,1}		X				
ORDERING AND PROVISIONING							
Installation Commitments Met	OP-3 ^h			X		X	
Installation Intervals	OP-4 ^{d,h}			X		X	
New Service Quality	OP-5 ^{a,h,b,e,h}			X		X	
Delayed Days	OP-6 ^{f,h}			X		X	
Number Portability Timeliness	OP-8			X		X	
Coordinated Cuts On Time – Unbundled Loops	OP-13a			X		X	
LNP Disconnect Timeliness	OP-17			X		X	
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR							
Out of Service Cleared within 24 hours	MR-3 ^h			X			
All Troubles Cleared within 4 hours	MR-5 ^h			X			
Mean time to Restore	MR-6 ^{a,h,b,h,c,h,d^g,e^g}			X			
Repair Repeat Report Rate	MR-7 ^h			X		X	
Trouble Rate	MR-8 ^h			X		X	
LNP Trouble Reports Cleared within Specified Timeframes	MR-11			X		X	
BILLING							
Time to Provide Recorded Usage Records	BI-1	X					X
Billing Accuracy-Adjustments for Errors	BI-3	X					
Billing Completeness	BI-4	X				X	
NETWORK PERFORMANCE							
Trunk Blocking	NI-1			X			X
NXX Code Activation	NP-1			X			X

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- a. PO-3 is limited to PO-3x and PO-3c.
- b. PO-6 is included with PO-7 as a “family:” Measurements within the family share a single payment opportunity with only the measurements with the highest payment being paid.
- c. OP-4 is included with OP-6 as five “families:” OP-4a/OP-6-1, OP-4b/OP-6-2, OP-4c/OP-6-3, OP-4d/OP-6-4, and OP-4e/OP-6-5. Measurements within each family share a single payment opportunity with only the measurement with the highest payment being paid.
- d. Section 3.1.2 applies to OP-5b only if the number of orders with trouble in OP-5a is no more than one.
- e. For purposes of the PAP, OP-6a and OP-6b will be combined and treated as one. The combined OP-6 breaks down to OP-6-1 (within MSA), OP-6-2 (outside MSA), OP-6-3 (no dispatch), OP-6-4 (zone 1), and OP-6-5 (zone 2).
- f. Applicable only to EELs – DS1 level and xDSL-I capable loops.
- g. Excludes the following product disaggregations as applicable to this PID: Resale Centrex, Resale Centrex 21, Resale DS0 (non-designed), Resale DS0 (designed), Resale DS0, E911/911 Trunks, Resale Frame Relay, Resale Basic ISDN (non-designed), Resale Basic ISDN (designed), Resale Basic ISDN, Resale Primary ISDN (non-designed), Resale Primary ISDN (designed), Resale Primary ISDN, Resale PBX (non-designed), Resale PBX (designed), Resale PBX, Sub-Loop Unbundling, UNE-P (POTS), UNE-P (Centrex), and UNE-P (Centrex 21). However, the UNE-P (POTS) product disaggregation exclusion is conditioned upon the CLEC aggregate volume of orders being equal to or less than 165 for a 90-day (3 calendar months) evaluation period following a 30-day period during which Qwest will allow CLECs with existing QPP and QLSP agreements to enter into QLSP agreements for which the PAP terms and conditions apply. The CLEC aggregate order volume will be based on OP-4 and if the condition is met, the UNE-P (POTS) exclusion will be effective in the calendar month following the evaluation period.
- h. Stabilization Period: For each of these new measures/sub-measures that include XML results there will be a 3-month measurement stabilization period. During this period, no payment applies if the payment is determined to have been caused by the development to include XML into the PID results and not due to an actual performance miss. In order to determine the cause of payments during the stabilization period, if any payments are identified, the payment’s due date will be extended for 30 days to provide Qwest the opportunity to perform root cause analysis and make the results readily available to the impacted parties. Until performance reporting includes XML results, the prior measures/sub-measures included in the PAP will apply. Further, should either the IMA-GUI or IMA-XML interfaces be replaced in the future, results from the replacement interfaces will be automatically incorporated into these measures and be included in the PAP (with a stabilization period) coincident with CLEC migration to the new interfaces subject to changes to the impacted measures including but not limited to modification due to operational differences with the replacement interfaces.

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Attachment 2: Performance Measurements Subject to Per Measurement Caps

Billing

Time to Provide Recorded Usage Records – BI-1 (Tier 1/Tier 2)

Billing Accuracy – Adjustments for Errors – BI-3 (Tier 1)

Billing Completeness – BI-4 (Tier 1/Tier 2)