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#### Via Airborne Express

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7254

RE:

Negotiated First Amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Advanced Telcom Group, Inc. and U S WEST Communications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Washburn:

In accordance with the Order on Arbitration Procedure in Docket No. UT-960269, attached for your approval are eight (8) copies of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Advanced Telcom Group, Inc. ("ATG") and U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST"). U S WEST and ATG negotiated this First Amendment under the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Also enclosed is Request For Approval Of First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

This amendment supplements the original interconnection agreement between ATG and U S WEST which was approved by the Commission on December 9, 1998 in Docket No. UT-980390. This Amendment will allow ATG to "pick and choose" from the MFS Agreement Section V. "Reciprocal Traffic Exchange," as permitted under the order in Docket UT-993003 (WUTC Order"), to be in effect pursuant to Existing Rules in Section 1.3 of the Agreement.

The parties respectfully request that this matter be placed on the next Consent Agenda for expedited approval.

The Order on Arbitration Procedure also requests that a proposed order accompany the filing. U S WEST requests a waiver of that requirement, and is not providing one with this filing, as the Commission has, in the past, used its own format for Orders. If this is not satisfactory to the Commission please contact me and I will forward a proposed order immediately.



Please date and file stamp and return the extra copy of the Application in the enclosed self-addressed and postage paid envelope. If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (303) 793-6605.

Sincerely

Kristine B. Macneal

**Enclosures** 

cc: Elizabeth Weber (w/enc.)

Clifford G. Rudolph (w/enc.)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 9 In the Matter of Request for Approval of First Amendment to Interconnection Agreement Docket No. UT-980390 10 Between Advanced Telcom Group, Inc. and U S WEST Communications, Inc. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FIRST 11 AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT 12 13 I. INTRODUCTION 14 Pursuant to Section III of the Interpretive and Policy Statement Regarding Negotiation, 15 Mediation, Arbitration, and Approval of Agreements under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 16 ("Interpretive and Policy Statement") issued by this Commission in Docket No. UT-960269, 17 U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST") and Advanced Telcom Group, Inc. ("ATG") hereby submit for approval by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 18 19 ("Commission" or "WUTC") the attached First Amendment to Interconnection Agreement dated 20 February 25, 2000 (the "Amendment"). This First Amendment will allow will allow ATG to 21 "pick and choose" from the MFS Agreement Section V. "Reciprocal Traffic Exchange." The 22 MFS Agreement was approved on January 7, 1997 in Docket No. UT-960323. The "pick and

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT

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choose" option is permitted under the order in Docket UT-993003 ("WUTC Order") and is effective pursuant to Existing Rules in Section 1.3 of the original Agreement. The interconnection agreement between ATG and U S WEST was approved by the Commission on December 9, 1998 in Docket No. UT-980390.

The original Agreement set forth terms, conditions and prices under which U S WEST agreed to provide services for resale and certain Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Functions and additional features in each LATA in which both U S WEST and ATG operate within the state of Washington. The Agreement also had terms, conditions and prices under which the parties agreed to provide interconnection and reciprocal compensation for the exchange of local traffic for the purpose of offering telecommunications services. The Agreement stated that the pricing for these services is subject to the outcome of the Commission's determination in the Generic Pricing Docket, UT-960369, et al.

This Amendment is submitted for approval pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act") and the requirements of the Commission's Interpretive and Policy Statement.

#### II. REASONS FOR APPROVAL

Section 252(e)(2) of the Act directs that a state commission may reject an Agreement reached through negotiation and/or arbitration only if the Commission finds that:

- The Agreement (or portions thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Agreement; or
- 2) The implementation of such Agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

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U S WEST and ATG respectfully submit that the Amendment provides no basis for either of these findings and thus request that the Commission approve the Amendment expeditiously. First, the Amendment does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier. There is no finding that the terms of this Amendment are more favorable than terms provided to other carriers.

Second, the Amendment is consistent with the public interest as identified in the procompetitive policies of the state of Washington, the WUTC, the U.S. Congress and the Federal Communications Commission. In addition, because this Amendment does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, state law policies prohibiting unreasonable discrimination are preserved by approval of this Amendment.

For the foregoing reasons, U S WEST and ATG submit that approval of this Amendment is warranted because it satisfies the state and federal criteria for approval.

## III. UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT OF PARTIES

With respect to the Amendment, the Parties understand and agree that this Amendment will allow ATG to "pick and choose" from the MFS Agreement Section V. "Reciprocal Traffic Exchange." The "pick and choose" option is permitted under the order in Docket UT-993003 ("WUTC Order") and is to be in effect pursuant to Existing Rules in Section 1.3 of the Agreement.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, U S WEST and ATG respectfully request expeditious approval of the Amendment. Both Parties request approval earlier than the 90 day time period allowed for

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT

1	by the Interpretive and Policy Statement, in order to facilitate the immediate availability of		
2	additional local exchange competition between U S WEST and ATG.		
3	Respectfully submitted this 7 <sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000.		
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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

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# AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND ADVANCED TELCOM GROUP, INC. FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC ("U S WEST") and ADVANCED TELCOM GROUP, INC. ("ATG") (collectively, the "Parties") entered into an Agreement relating to local interconnection which was effective December 9, 1998 by virtue of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's ("WUTC") order in Docket No. UT-980390 ("Agreement") and which permits the Parties to mutually amend the Agreement in writing; and

WHEREAS, ATG now wishes to amend the Agreement to amend Part 5 thereof so that ATG may now "pick and choose" from the MFS agreement Section V. "Reciprocal Traffic Exchange," as permitted under the order in Docket UT-993063("WUTC Order"), to be in effect pursuant to Existing Rules in Section 1.3 of the Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

Original Part 5 of the Agreement in its entirety is superceded along with pricing for interconnection traffic in the original pricing schedule appended to the Agreement as Appendix A (Local Switching, Transport, Tandem Switched Transport sections). In its place, the following Part V "Reciprocal Traffic Exchange" is substituted, with its attached pricing schedule which follows. The Parties agree that this amendment will be submitted to the WUTC for its approval and became effective on Feb. 15, 2000 in accordance with the WUTC Order.

Pursuant to the WUTC Order, the arrangements contained in this amendment shall expire either (a) 90 days after a request for approval of a new agreement between MFS and U S WEST is filed with the WUTC; or (b) on the expiration of the ATG Agreement (May 1, 2001), whichever event occurs first.

In the event of any change in Existing Rules affecting this Amendment No. 1, the Parties shall negotiate an amendment pursuant to Section 1.3 of the Agreement. U S WEST reserves its rights to appeal the WUTC Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed on the date shown below by their respective duly authorized representatives.

Advanced TelCom Group, Inc.

By: Kathryn L. Thomas

VP-Regulatory & Public Policy

Date: 2/22/00

**U S WEST Communications, Inc.** 

Name Edizabeth J Stamp

Title Director - Interconnect

Date: 2/25/00

\*Signed as ordered by the WUTC in Docket No. UT-993003. Signature does not indicate agreement with all aspects of the WUTC's decision, nor does it waive any of U S WEST's rights to seek judicial review of all or part of the amendment, or to reform the amendment to conform with any decision or opinion following successful judicial review.

## V. RECIPROCAL TRAFFIC EXCHANGE

#### A. SCOPE

Reciprocal traffic exchange addresses the exchange of traffic between ATG end users and USWC end users. If such traffic is local, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply. Where either party acts as an intraLATA toll provider or interLATA Interexchange Carrier (IXC) or where either party interconnects and delivers traffic to the other from third parties, each party shall bill such third parties the appropriate charges pursuant to its respective tariffs or contractual offerings for such third party terminations. Absent a separately negotiated agreement to the contrary, the Parties will directly exchange traffic between their respective networks, without the use of third party transit providers.

#### B. TYPES OF TRAFFIC

The types of traffic to be exchanged under this Agreement include:

- 1. EAS/local traffic as defined above.
- IntraLATA toll traffic as defined above.
- 3. Switched access traffic, or interLATA toll traffic, as specifically defined in USWC's state and interstate switched access tariffs, and generally identified as that traffic that originates at one of the Party's end users and terminates at an IXC point of presence, or originates at an IXC point of presence and terminates at one of the Party's end users, whether or not the traffic transits the other Party's network.
- 4. Transit traffic is any traffic other than switched access, that originates from one Telecommunications Carrier's network, transits another Telecommunications Carrier's network, and terminates to yet another Telecommunications Carrier's network.

Transit service provides the ability for a Telecommunications Carrier to use its connection to a local or access tandem for delivery of calls that originate with a Telecommunications Carrier and terminate to a company other than the tandem company, such as another Competitive Local Exchange Carrier, an existing Exchange Carrier, or a wireless carrier. In these cases, neither the originating nor terminating end user is a customer of the tandem **Telecommunications** Carrier. The tandem Telecommunications Carrier will accept traffic originated by a Party and will terminate it at a point of interconnection with another local. intraLATA or interLATA Telecommunications Carrier. This service is provided through local and access tandem switches.

- 5. Ancillary traffic includes all traffic destined for ancillary services, or that may have special billing requirements, including, but not limited to the following:
  - a. Directory Assistance
  - b. 911/E911
  - c. Operator call termination (busy line interrupt and verify)
  - d. 800/888 database dip
  - e. LIDB
  - Information services requiring special billing.
- 6. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, ancillary traffic will be exchanged in accordance with whether the traffic is Local/EAS, intraLATA toll, or Switched Access.

#### C. TYPES OF EXCHANGED TRAFFIC

1. Termination of Local Traffic.

Local traffic will be terminated as Local Interconnection Service (LIS).

2. Transport of Local Traffic

As negotiated between the Parties, the exchange of local traffic between the Parties may occur in several ways:

- a. While the parties anticipate the use of two way trunks for the delivery of local traffic, either Party may elect to provision its own one-way trunks for delivery of local traffic to be terminated on the other Party's network at the "initial" point of interconnection.
- b. The Parties may elect to purchase transport services from each other or from a third party. Such transport delivers the originating Party's local traffic to the terminating Party's end office or tandem for call termination. Transport may be purchased as either tandem switched transport (which is included in the tandem call termination rate) or direct trunk transport.
- c. Based on forecasted traffic at ATG's busy hour in CCS, where there is a DS1's worth of traffic (512 CCS) between the ATG switch and a USWC end office, the Parties agree to provision a dedicated (i.e., direct) two-way trunk group from the ATG switch directly to the USWC end office. To the extent that ATG has established a collocation arrangement at a USWC end office location, and has available capacity, the Parties agree that ATG shall provide two-way direct trunk facilities, when required, from

that end office to the ATG switch. In all other cases, the direct facility may be provisioned by USWC or ATG or a third party. If both ATG and USWC desire to provision the facility and cannot otherwise agree, the parties may agree to resolve the dispute through the submission of competitive bids.

#### 3. Transit Traffic.

- a. USWC will accept traffic originated by ATG and will terminate it at a point of interconnection with another CLEC, Exchange Carrier, Interexchange Carrier or Wireless Carrier. USWC will provide this transit service through local and access tandem switches. ATG may also provide USWC with transit service.
- b. The Parties expect that all networks involved in transporting transit traffic will deliver calls to each involved network with CCS/SS7 protocol and the appropriate ISUP/TCAP message to facilitate full interoperability and billing functions. In all cases, the originating company is responsible to follow the EMR standard and to exchange records with both the transiting company and the terminating company, to facilitate the billing process to the originating network.
- c. The Parties will use industry standards developed to handle the provision and billing of Switched Access by multiple providers (MECAB, MECOD and the Parties' FCC tariffs), including the one-time provision of notification to ATG of the billing name, billing address and carrier identification codes of all interexchange carriers originating or terminating at each USWC access tandem.

## 4. Toll Traffic.

Toll traffic routed to an access tandem, or directly routed to an end office, will be terminated as Switched Access Service. Traffic terminated at the access tandem will be routed to the end offices within the LATA that subtend the USWC access tandem switch. Switched Access Service also allows for termination at an end office or tandem via direct trunked circuits provisioned either by USWC or ATG.

#### D. RATE STRUCTURE -- LOCAL TRAFFIC

#### Call Termination

 The Parties agree that call termination rates as described in Appendix A will apply reciprocally for the termination of local/EAS traffic per minute of use.

- b. For traffic terminated at an USWC or ATG end office, the end office call termination rate in Appendix A shall apply.
- c. For traffic terminated at a USWC or ATG tandem switch, the tandem call termination rate in Appendix A shall apply. The tandem call termination rate provides for end office call termination, tandem switched transport and tandem switching.

The Parties acknowledge that ATG will initially serve all of its customers within a given LATA through a single ATG switch. The Parties also acknowledge that ATG may, in the future, deploy additional switches in each LATA. <sup>1</sup>

- d. For purposes of call termination, the initial ATG switch shall be treated as a tandem switch.<sup>2</sup>
- e. Pursuant to the Arbitrator's decision in Docket No. UT-960323, USWC's proposed paragraph has been deleted.

# 2. Transport

- a. If the Parties elect to each provision their own one-way trunks to the other Party's end office for the termination of local traffic, each Party will be responsible for its own expenses associated with the trunks and no transport charges will apply. Call termination charges shall apply as described above.
- b. If one Party desires to purchase direct trunk transport from the other Party, the following rate elements will apply. Transport rate elements include the direct trunk transport facilities between the POI and the terminating party's tandem or end office switches.. The applicable rates are described in Appendix A.
- c. Direct-trunked transport facilities are provided as dedicated DS3 or DS1 facilities without the tandem switching functions, for the use of either Party between the point of interconnection and the terminating end office or tandem switch.
- d. If the Parties elect to establish two-way direct trunks, the compensation for such jointly used 'shared' facilities shall be adjusted as follows. The nominal compensation shall be pursuant to the rates for direct trunk transport in

This sentence is included pursuant to the Arbitrator's decision in Docket No. UT-960323.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This sentence is included pursuant to the Arbitrator's decision in Docket No. UT-960323.

Appendix A. The actual rate paid to the provider of the direct trunk facility shall be reduced to reflect the provider's use of that facility. The adjustment in the direct trunk transport rate shall be a percentage that reflects the provider's relative use (i.e., originating minutes of use) of the facility in the busy hour.

e. Multiplexing options are available at rates described in Appendix A.

## E. RATE STRUCTURE -- TOLL TRAFFIC.

Applicable Switched Access Tariff rates, terms, and conditions apply to toll traffic routed to an access tandem, or directly to an end office. Relevant rate elements include Direct Trunk Transport (DTT) or Tandem Switched Transport (TST), Interconnection Charge (IC), Local Switching, and Carrier Common Line, as appropriate.

## F. RATE STRUCTURE -- TRANSIT TRAFFIC.

Applicable switched access, Type 2 or LIS transport rates apply for the use of USWC's network to transport transit traffic. For transiting local traffic, the applicable local transit rate applies to the originating party per Appendix A. For transiting toll traffic, the Parties will charge the applicable switched access rates to the responsible carrier. For terminating transiting wireless traffic, the Parties will charge their applicable rates to the wireless provider. For transiting wireless traffic, the parties will charge each other the applicable local transit rate.

# G. LIS INTERFACE CODE AVAILABILITY AND OPTIONAL FEATURES

1. Interface Code Availability.

Supervisory Signaling specifications, and the applicable network channel interface codes for LIS trunks, are the same as those used for Feature Group D Switched Access Service, as described in the Parties' applicable switched access tariffs.

# 2. Optional Features.

a. Inband MF or SS7 Out of Band Signaling.

Inband MF signaling and SS7 Out of Band Signaling are available for LIS trunks. MF signaling or SS7 Out-of-Band Signaling must be requested on the order for the new LIS trunks. Provisioning of the LIS trunks equipped with MF signaling or SS7 Out of Band Signaling is the same as that used for Feature Group D Switched Access. Common Channel Signaling Access Capability Service, as set forth in Section XXVIII herein, must be ordered by ATG when SS7 Out-of-Band Signaling is requested on LIS trunks.

# b. Clear Channel Capability.

Clear Channel Capability permits 24 DS0-64 kbit/s services or 1.536 Mbit/s of information on the 1.544 Mbit/s line rate. Clear Channel Capability is available for LIS trunks equipped with SS7 Out-of-Band Signaling. Clear Channel Capability is only available on trunks to USWC's access tandem switch or USWC's end office switches (where available); (Clear Channel Capability is not available on trunks to USWC's local tandem switches or end offices where it is currently not deployed. ATG agrees to use the Network Interconnection and Unbundled Element Request process to request clear channel capability for such additional switches. Prices for such additional clear channel capability, if any, will be established through the NIUER Process). Clear Channel Capability must be requested on the order for the new LIS trunks. The provisioning of the LIS trunks equipped with Clear Channel Capability is the same as that used for Feature Group D Switched Access Service. USWC will provide ATG with a listing of USWC end offices, local tandems and access tandems equipped with clear channel capability.

## H. MEASURING LOCAL INTERCONNECTION MINUTES

- Measurement of terminating Local Interconnection Minutes begins when the terminating LIS entry switch receives answer supervision from the called end user's end office indicating the called end user has answered. The measurement of terminating call usage over LIS trunks ends when the terminating LIS entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the called end user's end office, indicating the called end user has disconnected, or ATG's point of interconnection, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.
- 2. USWC and ATG are required to provide each other the proper call information (e.g., originated call party number and destination call party number, etc.) to enable each Party to issue bills in a complete and timely fashion.

#### I. TESTING

## 1. Acceptance Testing

At the time of installation of an LIS trunk group, and at no additional charge, the Parties will cooperatively test the same parameters tested for terminating Feature Group D Switched Access Service. Please see USWC's applicable switched access tariff for the specifications.

# 2. Testing Capabilities

- a. Terminating LIS testing is provided where equipment is available, with the following test lines: seven-digit access to balance (100 type), milliwatt (102 type), nonsynchronous or synchronous, automatic transmission measuring (105 type), data transmission (107 type), loop-around, short circuit, open circuit, and non-inverting digital loopback (108 type).
- b. In addition to LIS acceptance testing, other tests are available (e.g., additional cooperative acceptance testing, automatic scheduled testing, cooperative scheduled testing, manual scheduled testing, and non-scheduled testing) at the applicable tariff rates.

#### J. ORDERING

- 1. When ordering LIS, the ordering Party shall specify on the service order: 1) the type and number of interconnection facilities to terminate at the point of interconnection in the serving wire center; 2) the type of interoffice transport, (i.e., direct trunk transport or tandem switched transport); 3) the peak busy hour CCS from the ATG end office; 4) the number of trunks to be provisioned at a local exchange office or tandem; 5) and any optional features (see form Appendix B). When the ordering Party requests facilities, routing, or optional features different than those determined to be available, the Parties will work cooperatively in determining an acceptable configuration, based on available facilities, equipment and routing plans
- When the ordering Party initially orders a DS3 interconnection facility, in conjunction with tandem switched transport to a tandem, or DS3 direct trunk transport facilities to a tandem or local exchange office, the provider will forward the appropriate DS1 facility record information necessary to identify the circuit facility assignment (CFA). On subsequent orders utilizing existing DS3 interconnection facilities, or DS3 direct trunk transport facilities, the provider will assign the DS1 facility to the DS 3 interconnection facility or DS3 direct trunk transport facility, as directed by the ordering Party.
- 3. A joint planning meeting will precede ATG and USWC trunking orders. These meetings will result in the transmittal of Access Service Requests (ASRs) to initiate order activity. A Party requesting tandem interconnection will provide its best estimate of the traffic distribution to each end office subtending the tandem.
- 4. Service intervals and due dates for negotiated arrangements will be determined on an individual case basis.

## K. BILLING ARRANGEMENTS

 USWC and ATG desire to submit separate bills, pursuant to their separate tariffs, to interexchange carriers for their respective portions of jointly provided switched access service.

Based on the negotiated POI, the Parties will agree on a meet point percentage to enable the joint provisioning and billing of Switched Access Services to third parties in conformance with the Meet-Point Billing guidelines adopted by and contained in the Ordering and Billing Forum's MECAB and MECOD documents and referenced in USWC's Switched Access Tariffs. The Parties understand and agree that MPB arrangements are available and functional only to/from Interexchange Carriers who directly connect with the tandem(s) that ATG sub-tends in each LATA..

- 2. The parties will use reasonable efforts, individually and collectively, to maintain provisions in their respective federal and state access tariffs, and/or provisions within the National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA") Tariff No. 4, or any successor tariff, sufficient to reflect this MPB arrangement, including MPB percentages.
- 3. As detailed in the MECAB document, ATG and USWC will exchange all information necessary to bill third parties for Switched Access Services traffic jointly handled by ATG and USWC via the meet point arrangement in a timely fashion. Information shall be exchanged in Exchange Message Record ("EMR") format (Bellcore Standard BR 010-200-010, as amended) on magnetic tape or via a mutually acceptable electronic file transfer protocol. The Parties will exchange records pursuant to this paragraph without additional compensation.
- 4. The Parties will agree upon reasonable audit standards and other procedures as required to ensure billing accuracy.
- 5. Each company will bill the IXC's the appropriate rate elements in accordance with their respective interstate and intrastate tariffs, as follows:

Rate Element
Carrier Common Line
Local Switching
Interconnection Charge
Local Transport Termination

Local Transport Facility

Billing Company
Dial Tone Provider
Dial Tone Provider
Dial Tone Provider
Based on negotiated
BIP

Based on negotiated BIP

(also called Tandem Transmission per mile)

Tandem Switching	Access Provider	Tandem
Entrance Facility	Access Provider	Tandem

- 6. For originating 800/888 traffic routed to an access tandem, the tandem provider will perform 800/888 database inquiry and translation functions and bill the inquiry charge and translation charge (if any) to the interexchange carrier pursuant to tariff.
- 7. Pursuant to the Arbitrator's decision in Docket No. UT-960323, this ATG proposed paragraph has been deleted.

## L. MILEAGE MEASUREMENT

Where required, the mileage measurement for LIS facilities and trunks is determined in the same manner as the mileage measurement for Feature Group D Switched Access Service.

## M. CONSTRUCTION CHARGES

For issues related to construction charges, see Section XXIX of this Agreement.

# APPENDIX A Rates and Charges Washington

# INTERCONNECTION - LOCAL EXCHANGE

(Note 1)

Local Call Termination	Agreed Price
End Office - Per Minute of Use	\$0.003141
Tandem Switch - Per Minute of Use	\$0.005416

(includes End Office Call Termination and Tandem Transport)

Note 1: The above local tandem call termination rate includes tandem transmission, based on an assumed transport mileage of 10 miles.

Should the average tandem transmission mileage experienced by the Parties exceed 10 miles, the Parties agree to adjust the

tandem call termination rate based on the tandem transmission rates set forth below.

	Agreed Price	Agreed Price
Entrance Facility	Recurring	Nonrecurring
DS1, Electrical	\$99.78	\$583.92
DS3, Electrical	\$404.24	\$668.95
	Agreed Price	Agreed Price
Direct Trunked Transport	Fixed	Per Mile
DS1 - 0 Miles	None	None
DS1 - Over 0 to 8	\$41.72	\$0.67
DS1 - Over 8 to 25	\$41.72	\$0.84
DS1 - Over 25 to 50	\$41.73	\$2.97
DS1 - Over 50	\$41.73	\$3.49
DS3 - 0 Miles	None	None
DS3 - Over 0 to 8	\$283.30	\$13.83
DS3 - Over 8 to 25	\$284.17	\$15.03
DS3 - Over 25 to 50	\$291.31	\$39.19
DS3 - Over 50	\$293.91	\$44.74
	Agreed Price	Agreed Price
Multiplexing, per arrangement	Recurring	Nonrecurring
DS3 to DS1	\$218.58	\$418.45
Local Transit Traffic Rate	Agreed Price	
Tandem Switching, per MOU	\$0.001794	

Tandem Transmission	Agreed Price Fixed	Agreed Price Per Mile
0 Mile	None	None
Over 0 - 8 Miles	\$0.000411	\$0.000009
Over 8 - 25 Miles	\$0.000411	\$0.000007
Over 25 - 50 Miles	\$0.000408	\$0.00008
Over 50 Miles	\$0.000409	\$0.000015

INTERCONNECTION - EXCHANGE	Agreed Price
ACCESS	_

Call Termination, Transport, and Transit

Per Switched Access Tariff