

## ILLINOIS TRO/TRRO ATTACHMENT

0.1 Definitions. The following definitions are applicable to this Attachment.

- 0.1.1 **Building.** For purposes of this Attachment relative to the DS1 and DS3 loop caps as defined in Rules 51.319(a)(4)(ii) and 51.319(a)(5)(ii), a “building” or a “single building” is a structure under one roof. Two or more physical structures that share a connecting wall or are in close physical proximity shall not be considered a single building solely because of a connecting tunnel or covered walkway, or a shared parking garage or parking area, unless such structures share the same street address (e.g., two department stores connected by a covered walkway to protect shoppers from weather would be considered two separate buildings). An educational, industrial, governmental or medical premises or campus shall constitute a single building for purposes of the DS1 and DS3 loop and transport caps provided that all of the structures are located on the same continuous property and the DS1 and/or DS3 loops are terminated at a single structure and are subsequently routed throughout the premises or campus, the property is owned and/or leased by the same end-user customer, and the property is not separated by a public roadway.
- 0.1.2 **Fiber-to-the-Curb (FTTC) Loop.** A Fiber-to-the-Curb Loop is defined as a (1) local Loop serving Mass Market Customers consisting of fiber optic cable connecting to a copper distribution plant that is not more than 500 feet from the customer’s premises or (2) a local Loop serving customers in a Predominantly Residential MDU consisting of fiber optic cable connecting to a copper distribution plant that is not more than 500 feet from the MDU’s MPOE. For purposes of the definition of FTTC and FTTH Loops, examples of a “Predominantly Residential” MDU include an apartment building, condominium building, cooperative or planned unit development that allocates more than fifty percent of its rentable square footage to residences. Notwithstanding the above, a loop will only be deemed a FTTC Loop if it connects to a copper distribution plant at a serving area interface from which every other copper distribution Subloop also is not more than 500 feet from the respective customer’s premises.
- 0.1.3 **Fiber-to-the-Home Loop.** A Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) Loop is defined as a local Loop serving a Customer and consisting entirely of fiber optic cable, whether dark or lit, serving a Mass Market Customer premises or, in the case of Predominantly Residential MDUs, a fiber optic cable, whether dark or lit, that extends to the multiunit premises’ minimum point of entry (MPOE).
- 0.1.4 **Hybrid Loop** is a local Loop that serves a Mass Market Customer and is composed of both fiber optic cable and copper wire or cable between the main distribution frame (or its equivalent) in an SBC wire center and the demarcation point at the customer premises.
- 0.1.5 **Mass Market Customer** is an end user customer who is either (a) a residential customer or (b) a very small business customer at a premises served by telecommunications facilities with an aggregate transmission capacity of less than four DS-0s.
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- 0.1.7 **Non-Impaired Wire Centers for DS1 and DS3 Unbundled High-Capacity Loops.** In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(4), Unbundled DS1 Loop Non-Impaired Wire Centers are defined as wire centers serving at least 60,000 business lines and at least four fiber-based collocators. In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(5), DS3 Loop Non-Impaired Wire Centers are defined as wire centers serving at least 38,000 business lines and at least four fiber-based collocators.
- 0.1.8 **Tier 1 Non-Impaired Wire Centers for DS1, DS3 and Dark Fiber Unbundled Dedicated Transport.** Tier 1 Non-Impaired Wire Centers are defined in accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(3)(i) as wire centers serving at least four fiber-based collocators, at least 38,000 business lines, or both.
- 0.1.9 **Tier 2 Non-Impaired Wire Centers for DS1, DS3 and Dark Fiber Unbundled Dedicated Transport.** Tier 2 non-impaired Wire Centers are defined in accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(3)(ii) as wire centers that are not Tier 1 Wire Centers, but contain at least three fiber-based collocators, at least 24,000 business lines, or both.

- 0.1.10 Tier 3 Wire Centers. In accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(3)(iii), Tier 3 Wire Centers are defined as wire centers that do not meet the criteria for Tier 1 and Tier 2 Wire Centers.
- 0.1.11 Business Lines. For purposes of determining Tier 1 and Tier 2 Wire Centers, Business Line tallies shall be calculated in accordance with the FCC's TRRO, including Rule 51.5 as follows: A Business Line is an ILEC-owned switched access line used to serve a business customer, whether by the ILEC itself or by a CLEC that leases the line from the ILEC. The number of business lines in a wire center shall equal the sum of all ILEC business switched access lines, plus the sum of all UNE loops connected to that wire center, including UNE loops provisioned in combination with other unbundled elements. Among these requirements, business line tallies (1) shall include only those access lines connecting end-user customers with ILEC end-offices for switched services, (2) shall not include non-switched special access lines, (3) shall account for ISDN and other digital access lines by counting each 64 kbps-equivalent as one line. For example, a DS1 line corresponds to 24 64 kbps-equivalents, and therefore to 24 "Business Lines." Centrex and PBX Trunks and Centrex Extensions will be counted as outlined in the ARMIS 43-08 reporting guidelines.
- 0.1.12 Embedded Base. Embedded Base used as a term in this Attachment is defined for TRO Affected Elements identified in Section 1.0 as those TRO Affected Elements for which CLEC had generated and SBC had accepted a valid service order requesting the provisioning of such TRO Affected Element(s) for a customer as of the date of this Attachment. For the TRO Remand Affected Elements identified in Sections 2.0 and 3.0, the Embedded Base is defined as including those customers for which CLEC had generated and SBC had accepted a valid service order requesting the provisioning of TRO Remand Affected Element(s) prior to March 11, 2005.
- 0.1.13 DS1 Loop. A "DS1 Loop", in accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(4), is defined as a digital local loop having a total digital signal speed of 1.544 MBps per second. A DS1 Loop includes the electronics necessary to provide the DS1 transmission rate digital UNE Local Loop having a total digital signal speed of 1.544 megabytes per second. A DS1 Loop also includes all electronics, optronics and intermediate devices used to establish the transmission path to the end user customer premises as well as any inside wire owned or controlled by SBC that is part of that transmission path. DS1 Loops include, but are not limited to, two-wire and four-wire copper loops capable of providing high-bit rate DSL services, including T1 services.
- 0.1.14 Fiber-Based Collocator. A fiber-based collocator is any carrier, unaffiliated with the ILEC, that maintains a collocation arrangement in an ILEC wire center, with active electrical power supply, and operates a fiber-optic cable or comparable transmission facility that (1) terminates at a collocation arrangement within the wire center; (2) leaves the ILEC wire center premises; and (3) is owned by a party other than the ILEC or any affiliate of the ILEC, except as set forth in this paragraph. Dark fiber obtained from an ILEC on an indefeasible right of use basis shall be treated as non-ILEC fiber-optic cable. Two or more affiliated fiber-based collocators in a single wire center shall collectively be counted as a single fiber-based collocator. For purposes of this definition the term "affiliate" is defined by 47 U.S.C. §153(1).
- 0.1.15 DS3 Loop. DS3 Loops are digital transmission channels suitable for the transport of isochronous bipolar serial data at a rate of 44.736 Mbps (the equivalent of 28 DS1 channels). A DS3 Loop includes the electronics necessary to provide the DS3 transmission rate having a total digital signal speed of 44.736 megabytes per second. A DS3 Loop also includes all of the electronics, optronics and intermediate devices used to establish the transmission path to the end user customer premises as well as any inside wire owned or controlled by SBC that is part of that transmission path.
- 0.1.16 Dedicated Transport. Dedicated Transport in accordance with Rule 51.319(e) and (e)(1) includes SBC transmission facilities between wire centers or switches owned by SBC, or between wire centers or switches owned by SBC and switches owned by other telecommunications carriers, including, but not limited to, DS1-, DS3- and OCn-capacity level services, as well as dark fiber, dedicated to a particular customer or carrier.

- 0.1.17 "Commingling" means the connecting, attaching, or otherwise linking of a UNE, or a combination of UNEs, or a network element provided pursuant to Section 271 or other applicable law to one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from SBC, pursuant to any method other than unbundling under Section 251(c)(3) of the Act, or the combining of a UNE, or a combination of UNEs, or a network element provided pursuant to Section 271 or other applicable law, with one or more such wholesale facilities or services. "Commingle" means the act of commingling.
- 0.1.18 "Commingled Arrangement" means the arrangement created by Commingling.
- 0.1.19 "Enhanced Extended Link" or "EEL" means a UNE combination consisting of UNE loop(s) and UNE Dedicated Transport, together with any facilities, equipment, or functions necessary to combine those UNEs (including, for example, with or without multiplexing capabilities).
- 0.1.20 Entrance Facilities. Entrance Facilities are defined as dedicated transport facilities that do not connect a pair of SBC wire centers, including but not limited to, the transmission facilities that connect CLEC's networks with SBC's networks.
- 0.1.21 ICC. ICC means the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 0.1.22 "Rule" refers to the FCC regulations set forth in Title 47 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations.

## 1.0 TRO Affected Elements.

- 1.1 TRO-Affected Elements. SBC shall not be required to provide the following to CLEC as unbundled network elements under Section 251 in accordance with the FCC's TRO, the MDU Reconsideration Order (FCC 04-191) (rel. Aug. 9, 2004) and the TRO Reconsideration Orders as follows:
- (i) Intentionally left blank
  - (ii) OCn level dedicated transport<sup>1</sup>;
  - (iii) DS1 and above Local Circuit Switching (defined as Local Switching for the purpose of serving end user customers using DS1 capacity and above Loops). To avoid any doubt, pursuant to this Attachment, SBC is no longer required to provide any ULS/UNE-P pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) except as otherwise provided for in this Attachment, e.g., the Embedded Base during the transition periods as set forth in Sections 1.0 and 2.0;
  - (iv) OCn loops;
  - (v) the feeder portion of the loop as a stand alone UNE under Section 251;
  - (vi) packet switching, including routers and DSLAMs;
  - (vii) the packetized bandwidth, features, functions, capabilities, electronics and other equipment used to transmit packetized information over Hybrid Loops, including without limitation, xDSL-capable line cards installed in digital loop carrier ("DLC") systems or equipment used to provide passive optical networking ("PON") capabilities except as provided for in Section 11.2 of this Attachment; and
  - (viii) Fiber-To-The-Home loops and Fiber-To-The-Curb loops, except as provided for in Section 11.1.2 of this Attachment;
  - (ix) SS7 signaling to the extent not provided in conjunction with unbundled local switching;
  - (x) any call-related database, other than the 911 and E911 databases, to the extent not provided in conjunction with unbundled local switching; and
  - (xi) line sharing, except as grandfathered as provided in the TRO.
- 1.2 Cessation of TRO Affected Elements - New Orders. SBC is not required to provide the TRO Affected Element(s) on an unbundled basis under Section 251, either alone or in combination (whether new, existing, or pre-existing) with any other element, service or functionality, to CLEC under the Agreement.

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<sup>1</sup> Nothing herein is meant to indicate any agreement as to whether SBC is required to provide DS-0-level dedicated transport to CLECs as an unbundled network element under Section 251, or otherwise, and the parties expressly reserve their rights regarding the same. The absence of DS-0-level dedicated transport in Section 1.1 of this Amendment shall have no bearing on this issue in any other jurisdiction.

Accordingly, upon the Amendment Effective Date, CLEC will cease new orders for TRO Affected Element(s) under Section 251.

- 1.3 In addition to those Transition Periods set forth in other sections of this Attachment, and without limiting the same, SBC and CLEC will abide by the following transitional procedures with respect to the TRO Affected Elements:
  - 1.3.1 With respect to TRO Affected Elements and/or the combination of TRO Affected Elements as defined in Section 1.1 of this Attachment, SBC will notify CLEC in writing as to any TRO Affected Element previously made available to CLEC that is or has become a TRO Affected Element, as defined in Section 1.1 of this Attachment herein (“Identified TRO Facility”). For purposes of the Agreement and this Attachment, such Identified TRO Facilities shall be considered TRO Affected Elements.
  - 1.3.2 For any Identified TRO Facility SBC shall continue to provide the Embedded Base of any such TRO Affected Element without change to CLEC on a transitional basis. At any time after CLEC receives notice from SBC pursuant to Section 1.3.1 above, but no later than the end of 90 days from the date CLEC received notice, CLEC shall, using the applicable service ordering process and interface, either (i) request disconnection; (ii) submit a request for analogous access service; or (iii) identify and request another alternative service arrangement.
  - 1.3.3 CLEC agrees to pay all non-recurring charges applicable to the transition of its Embedded Base provided the order activities necessary to facilitate such transition involve physical work (i.e., does not include the re-use of Identified TRO Facilities in the same configuration) and involve other than a “record order” transaction. The rates, terms and conditions associated with such transactions are set forth in the Pricing Schedule and/or Tariff applicable to the service being transitioned to. To the extent that physical work is not involved in the transition, the applicable service order charge will be the only applicable charge under the applicable Pricing Schedule and/or Tariff. SBC will complete CLEC transition orders in accordance with the OSS guidelines in place in support of the analogous service that the CLEC is requesting the Identified TRO Facility be transitioned to with any disruption to the end user’s service reduced to a minimum or, where technically feasible given current systems and processes, no disruption should occur. Where disruption is unavoidable due to technical considerations, SBC shall accomplish such conversions in a manner to minimize a disruption detectable to the end user. Where necessary or appropriate, SBC and CLEC shall coordinate such conversions.
- 1.4 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, including any amendments to the Agreement, at the end of the ninety day transitional period, unless CLEC has submitted a disconnect/discontinuance LSR or ASR, as applicable, under subparagraph 1.3.2(i), above, and if CLEC and SBC have failed to reach agreement, under subparagraph 1.3.2(ii) or (iii), above, as to a substitute service arrangement or element, then SBC will convert the subject element(s), whether alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement, to an analogous resale or access service or arrangement, if available, at rates applicable to such analogous service or arrangement.
- 1.5 The Parties’ rights and obligations with respect to TRO Affected Elements under this Section 1.0 are also subject to Sections 13.0 and 14.0 of this Attachment.

**2.0 TRO Remand Affected Unbundled Local Circuit Switching and UNE-P Elements.** To avoid any doubt, pursuant to this Attachment, SBC is no longer required to provide any ULS/UNE-P pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) except as otherwise provided for in this Attachment, e.g., the Embedded Base during the transition periods as set forth in Sections 1.0 and 2.0.

- 2.1 In accordance with Rule 51.319(d)(2), SBC shall not be required to provide Unbundled Local Circuit Switching and UNE-P (ULS/UNE-P) Elements under Section 251(c)(3) where the ULS/UNE-P is requested or provisioned for the purpose of serving DS-0 capacity loops, in accordance with the following provisions:

- 2.1.1 SBC is not required to provide new ULS, either alone or in combination (as in with “UNE-P”) as an unbundled network element under Section 251 of the Act for non-Embedded Base customers. SBC shall continue to provide access to ULS and UNE-P to CLEC for CLEC to serve its Embedded Base of customers in accordance with Rule 51.319(d)(2)(iii) and orders issued by the ICC. The price for such ULS and UNE-P shall be SBC's tariffed and effective ULS and UNE-P rates as of June 25, 2004, plus one dollar. CLEC shall be fully liable to SBC to pay such pricing under the Agreement effective as of March 11, 2005, including applicable terms and conditions setting forth penalties for failure to comply with payment terms, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, provided that bills rendered prior to the effective date of this Attachment that include such rate increases shall not be subject to late payments charges, as to such increases, if CLEC pays such increased amount within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Attachment.
- 2.1.1.1 CLEC shall be entitled to initiate feature add and/or change orders, record orders, and disconnect orders for Embedded Base customers. CLEC shall also be entitled to initiate orders for the conversion of UNE-P to a UNE line splitting arrangement to serve the same end user and UNE line splitting arrangement to UNE-P for the same end-user. CLEC shall be entitled to initiate move orders and orders for additional UNE-P lines for Embedded Base customers.
- 2.1.1.2 Feature adds and/or change orders as referenced in Section 2.1.1.1 include features that SBC has available and activated in the Local Circuit Switch.
- 2.1.1.3 In accordance with Rule 51.319(d)(4)(i), SBC shall provide a CLEC with nondiscriminatory access to signaling, call-related databases and shared transport facilities on an unbundled basis, in accordance with section 251 (c)(3) of the Act and in accordance with and only to the extent permitted by the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement.
- 2.1.2 SBC shall continue to provide access to ULS/UNE-P for CLEC to serve its Embedded Base of customers under this Section 2.1.2, in accordance with and only to the extent permitted by the terms and conditions set forth in this Attachment, for a transitional period of time, ending upon the earlier of:
- (a) CLEC's disconnection or other discontinuance (except Suspend/Restore) of use of one or more of the ULS or UNE-P;
  - (b) CLEC's transition of a ULS Element(s) or UNE-P to an alternative arrangement; or
  - (c) March 11, 2006.
- 2.1.3 In accordance with Rule 51.319(d)(2)(ii), CLECs shall migrate the Embedded Base of end-user customers off of the ULS element to an alternative arrangement within 12 months of the effective date of the TRO Remand, i.e., March 11, 2006. CLEC and SBC agree to utilize the twelve-month transition period as set forth by the FCC in Paragraph 227 of the TRO Remand to perform the tasks necessary to complete an orderly transition including the CLECs submission of the necessary orders to convert their Embedded Base of ULS/UNE-P customers to an alternative service.
- 2.1.3.1 To the extent CLEC intends to convert its Embedded Base of ULS/UNE-P arrangements to an alternative SBC service arrangement, CLEC shall generate the orders necessary to convert its Embedded Base of ULS/UNE-P arrangements to an alternative SBC service arrangement in accordance with this ULS/UNE-P transition plan unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- 2.1.3.2 SBC will complete CLEC transition orders in support of the analogous service that the CLEC is requesting the ULS/UNE-P be transitioned to with any disruption to the end user's service reduced to a minimum or, where technically feasible given current systems and processes, no disruption should occur. Where disruption is unavoidable due to technical considerations, SBC shall accomplish such conversions in a manner to minimize any

disruption detectable to the end user. Where necessary or appropriate, SBC and CLEC shall coordinate such conversions.

2.1.3.3 CLEC agrees to pay all non-recurring charges applicable to the transition of its Embedded Base provided the order activities necessary to facilitate such transition involve physical work (physical work does not include the re-use of facilities in the same configuration) and involve other than a “record order” transaction. The rates, terms and conditions associated with such transactions are set forth in the Pricing Schedule or Tariff applicable to the service being transitioned to. To the extent that physical work is not involved in the transition, the applicable service order charge(s) will be the only non-recurring charge(s) that apply.

2.1.3.4 To the extent there are CLEC Embedded Base ULS/ UNE-P arrangements in place at the conclusion of the twelve (12) month transition period, SBC, without further notice or liability, will re-price such arrangements to market-based rates.

2.2 The provisions of this Section 2.0, apply and are operative with respect to SBC’s unbundling obligations under Section 251 regardless of whether CLEC is requesting ULS/UNE-P under the Agreement or under a state tariff, if applicable, and regardless of whether the state tariff is referenced in the Agreement.

2.3 The Parties’ rights and obligations with respect to TRO Remand Affected Elements under this Section 2.0 are also subject to Sections 13.0 and 14.0 of this Attachment.

### **3.0 TRO Remand Affected Unbundled High-Capacity Loops and Transport.**

3.1 SBC is not required to provision the following new DS1, DS3, and Dark Fiber Loops, and Dedicated Transport as unbundled elements under Section 251, either alone or in a Section 251 combination except as follows:

3.1.1 Dark Fiber Unbundled Loops. In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(6)(i), SBC is not required to provide requesting telecommunications carrier with access to a dark fiber loop on an unbundled basis under Section 251.

3.1.2 DS1 Loops. In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(4)(i), SBC shall provide CLEC, upon CLEC’s request, with nondiscriminatory access to DS1 Loops on an unbundled basis to any Building not served by (a) a wire center with at least 60,000 business lines and (b) at least four fiber-based collocators. Once the wire center meets the requirements of Section 4.0 and the wire center exceeds both of these thresholds, no future DS1 Loop unbundling in accordance with Section 251 will be required of SBC in that wire center, except as otherwise set forth in this Attachment.

3.1.2.1 In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(4)(ii), CLEC may obtain a maximum of ten unbundled DS1 Loops to any single Building in which DS1 Loops are available as Section 251 unbundled Loops.

3.1.3 DS3 Loops. In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(5)(i) SBC shall provide CLEC, upon CLEC’s request, with nondiscriminatory access to DS3 Loops on an unbundled basis under Section 251 to any Building not served by (a) a wire center with at least 38,000 business lines and (b) at least four fiber-based collocators. Once the wire center meets the requirements of Section 4.0 and the wire center exceeds both of these thresholds, no future Section 251 DS3 Loop unbundling will be required of SBC in that wire center, except as otherwise set forth in this Attachment.

3.1.3.1 In accordance with Rule 51.319(a)(5)(ii), SBC is not obligated to provision to CLEC more than one unbundled DS3 Loop to any single Building in which DS3 Loops are available as Section 251 unbundled Loops.

3.1.4 DS1 Unbundled Dedicated Transport. In accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(2) SBC shall provide CLEC, upon CLEC’s request, with nondiscriminatory access to Section 251 DS1 Unbundled Dedicated Transport. Once the wire center meets the requirements of Section 4 and the wire centers on both ends of the transport route between wire centers are determined to be Tier 1 wire

centers as defined in Section 0.1.9 of this Attachment, no future Section 251 DS1 Unbundled Dedicated Transport will be required of SBC on such routes, except as otherwise set forth in this Attachment.

3.1.4.1 In accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(2), SBC is not obligated to provision to a CLEC more than ten unbundled DS1 Dedicated Transport circuits on each route on an unbundled basis.

3.1.5 DS3 Unbundled Dedicated Transport. In accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(2), SBC shall provide CLEC, upon CLEC's request, with nondiscriminatory access to Section 251 DS3 Unbundled Dedicated Transport. Once the wire center meets the requirements of Section 4.0 and the wire centers on both ends of the transport route between wire centers are determined to be either Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers as defined in Sections 0.1.9 and 0.1.10 of this Attachment, no future Section 251 DS3 Unbundled Dedicated Transport will be required of SBC on such routes, except as otherwise set forth in this Attachment.

3.1.5.1 In accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(2), SBC is not obligated to provision to a CLEC more than twelve unbundled DS3 Dedicated Transport circuits on each route where DS3 Dedicated Transport is available on an unbundled basis under Section 251.

3.1.6 Dark Fiber Unbundled Dedicated Transport. In accordance with Rule 51.319(e)(2) SBC shall provide CLEC, upon CLEC's request, with nondiscriminatory access to Dark Fiber Unbundled Dedicated Transport. Once the wire center meets the requirements of Section 4.0 and the wire centers on both ends of the transport route between wire centers are determined to be either Tier 1 or Tier 2 Wire Centers as defined in Sections 0.1.9 and 0.1.10 of this Attachment, no future Section 251 Dark Fiber Unbundled Dedicated Transport will be required of SBC on such routes, except as otherwise set forth in this Attachment.

3.2 Transition of TRO Remand Affected Unbundled High Capacity Loops and Transport. For those DS1 and DS3 Loops and DS1 and DS3 Dedicated Transport facilities that SBC is no longer required to unbundle under Section 251 under the terms of this Attachment as of March 11, 2005, SBC shall continue to provide CLEC's Embedded Base of such arrangements ordered by CLEC before March 11, 2005 for a 12-month period beginning on March 11, 2005 and ending on March 11, 2006. For those Dark Fiber Loops, and Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport facilities that SBC is no longer required to unbundle under Section 251 under the terms of this Attachment as of March 11, 2005, SBC shall continue to provide such arrangements for an 18-month period beginning on March 11, 2005 and ending on September 11, 2006.

3.2.1 During the transition periods defined in Section 3.2, the rates for the High-Capacity Loop and Transport Embedded Base arrangements (including dark fiber loop and transport arrangements), in accordance with Rule 51.319(a) and Rule 51.319(e), shall be SBC's tariffed and effective DS1 and DS3 loop, dedicated transport, and dark fiber loop and transport rates as of June 25, 2004, plus 15%. CLEC shall be fully liable to SBC to pay such pricing under the Agreement, including applicable terms and conditions setting forth penalties for failure to comply with payment terms, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement.

3.2.2 Where SBC is no longer required to provide Unbundled Loops and Transport pursuant to Section 251 as defined in Section 3.1 of this Attachment, CLEC shall generate the orders necessary to disconnect or convert the Embedded Base of High-Capacity DS1 and DS3 Loop and Transport arrangements to analogous services where available in accordance with the Unbundled Loop and Transport transition plan in Section 3.2 of this Attachment unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. With respect to Dark Fiber Loops and Transport, CLEC shall generate the orders necessary to disconnect such arrangements and return the facilities to SBC by the end of the transition period.

3.2.2.1 SBC will complete CLEC transition orders in accordance with the OSS guidelines in place in support of the analogous service that the CLEC is requesting the Loop or Transport arrangement be transitioned to with any disruption to the end user's service reduced to a minimum or, where technically feasible given current systems and processes, no disruption

should occur. Where disruption is unavoidable due to technical considerations, SBC shall accomplish such conversions in a manner to minimize any disruption detectable to the end user. Where necessary or appropriate, SBC and CLEC shall coordinate such conversions.

3.2.2.2 CLEC agrees to pay all non-recurring charges applicable to the transition of its Embedded Base provided the order activities necessary to facilitate such transition involve physical work and involve other than a “record order” transaction. The rates, terms and conditions associated with such transactions are set forth in the Pricing Schedule or Tariff applicable to the service being transitioned to. To the extent that physical work is not involved in the transition, the applicable service order charge(s) and/or non-recurring charges, if any as governed by this Agreement and/or Tariff from which the service being transitioned to is ordered, will be the only non-recurring charge(s) that apply.

3.2.2.3 If CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC requesting conversion of the Affected DS1 and DS3 Loop/Transport Elements to another wholesale service, then on March 11, 2006, SBC, at its option, shall convert such loop(s)/transport to an analogous special access arrangement at month-to-month pricing. Nothing in this Section prohibits the Parties from agreeing upon another service arrangement within the requisite transition timeframe (e.g., via a separate agreement at market-based rates). If CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC requesting that the Affected Dark Fiber Loop and Transport arrangements be disconnected and returned to SBC, SBC shall disconnect such arrangements that remain in place as of September 11, 2006.

3.3 The Parties’ rights and obligations with respect to TRO Remand Affected Elements under this Section 3.0 are also subject to Sections 13.0 and 14.0 of this Attachment.

#### **4.0 Non-Impaired Wire Center Criteria and Related Processes.**

4.1 SBC has designated and posted to CLEC Online a list of wire centers where it contends the thresholds for DS1 and DS3 Unbundled High-Capacity Loops as stated in Section 0.1.7 and for Tier 1 and Tier 2 Non-Impaired Wire Centers as stated in Sections 0.1.8 and 0.1.9 have been met. SBC’s designations shall be treated as controlling (even if CLEC believes the list is inaccurate) for purposes of transition and ordering unless CLEC provides a self-certification as outlined below. Until CLEC provides a self-certification for High-Capacity Loops and/or Transport for such wire center designations, CLEC will not submit High Capacity Loop and/or Transport orders based on the wire center designation, and if no self-certification is provided will transition its affected High-Capacity Loops and/or Transport in accordance with the applicable transition period. If CLEC does not provide a self-certification, CLEC will transition DS1 and DS3 Loop and Transport arrangements affected by SBC’s wire center designation as of March 11, 2005 by disconnecting or transitioning to an alternate facility or arrangement, if available, by March 11, 2006 and CLEC will transition any Dark Fiber Transport arrangements affected by SBC’s wire center designations as of March 11, 2005 by disconnecting or transitioning to an alternate facility or arrangement, if available, by September 11, 2006. SBC will update the CLEC Online posted list and will advise CLECs of such posting via Accessible Letter, which term for the purposes of this Section 4.0 shall be deemed to mean an Accessible Letter issued after the effective date of this Amendment, as set forth in this Section 4.0.

If the ICC has not previously determined, in any proceeding, that a wire center is properly designated as a wire center meeting the thresholds set forth in Sections 0.1.7, 0.1.8 or 0.1.9, then, prior to submitting an order for an unbundled a DS1/DS3 Loop, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangement at a wire center designated by SBC and posted to CLEC Online, CLEC shall perform a reasonably diligent inquiry to determine, to the best of CLEC’s knowledge, whether the wire center meets the non-impairment thresholds as set forth in Sections 0.1.7, 0.1.8 or 0.1.9 of this Amendment. If, based on its reasonably diligent inquiry, the CLEC disputes the SBC wire center non-impairment designation, the CLEC will provide a self-certification to SBC identifying the wire center(s) that it is self-certifying for. In performing its inquiry, CLEC shall not be required to consider any lists of Non-Impaired Wire Centers compiled by SBC as creating a presumption that a wire center is not impaired.

CLEC may self-certify by sending written notification to SBC using letter, facsimile or e-mail. In the event that the CLEC issues a self-certification to SBC where SBC has deemed that the non-impairment threshold has been met in a specific wire center for High-Capacity Loops and/or Transport, CLEC can continue to submit and SBC must continue to accept and provision orders for the affected High Capacity Loops and/or Transport provided the CLEC is entitled to order such pursuant to the terms and conditions of the underlying Agreement, for as long as such self-certification remains in effect and valid pursuant to the dispute resolution provisions of Section 4.0. If CLEC makes such a self-certification, and CLEC is otherwise entitled to the ordered element under the Agreement, SBC shall provision the requested facilities in accordance with CLEC's order and within SBC's standard ordering interval applicable to such facilities. If SBC in error rejects CLEC orders, where CLEC has provided self certification in accordance with this Section 4.0, SBC will modify its systems to accept such orders within 5 business hours of CLEC notification to its account manager.

4.1.1 The parties recognize that wire centers that SBC had not designated as meeting the FCC's non-impairment thresholds as of March 11, 2005 may meet those thresholds in the future. In the event that a wire center that was not designated by SBC as meeting one or more of the FCC's non-impairment thresholds as of March 11, 2005 meets one or more of these thresholds at a later date, SBC may add the wire center to the list of designated wire centers and the Parties will use the following process:

4.1.1.1 SBC may update the wire center list as changes occur.

4.1.1.2 To designate a wire center that had previously not met one or more of the FCC's impairment thresholds but subsequently does so, SBC will provide notification to CLEC via Accessible Letter and by a posting on CLEC Online.

4.1.1.3 SBC will continue to accept CLEC orders for newly-designated DS1/DS3 Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport and/or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport without requiring CLEC self-certification for 30 calendar days after the date the Accessible Letter is issued.

4.1.1.4 In the event the CLEC disagrees with SBC's determination, and desires not to have the applicable established DS1/DS3 Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport and/or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport transitioned or disconnected as set forth in Section 4.1.1.5 below, CLEC has 60 calendar days from the issuance of the Accessible Letter to provide a self-certification to SBC.

4.1.1.5 If the CLEC does not use the self-certification process described in Section 4.0 to self-certify against SBC's wire center designation within 60 calendar days of the issuance of the Accessible Letter, the parties must comply with the Applicable Transitional Period as follows: transition applicable to DS1/DS3 Loops is within 12 months, transition applicable to DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport is within 12 months, and disconnection applicable to Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is within 18 months. All such transitional periods apply from the date of the issuance of the Accessible Letter providing the wire center designation of non-impairment. For the Applicable Transitional Period, no additional notification will be required. DS1 Loops will continue to be provisioned for a period of 12 months from the date of the Accessible Letter for existing customers. SBC shall continue to provide access to DS1 Loops to CLEC for applicable established customer service in accordance with and only to the extent permitted by the terms and conditions set forth in this Attachment, ending upon the earlier of:

- (a) CLEC's disconnection or other discontinuance of use of DS1/DS3 Loops;
- (b) CLEC's transition of DS1/DS3 Loops to an alternative arrangement; or
- (c) the applicable transition period.

SBC will not convert or disconnect DS1/DS3 High Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport, or Dark Fiber Transport prior to the end of the applicable transitional period

unless specifically requested by CLEC; CLEC is responsible for submitting orders to complete the transition by the end of applicable transition period.

- 4.1.1.6 If the CLEC does provide self-certification, SBC may dispute CLEC's self-certification as described in Sections 4.1.3 and 4.1.4 and SBC will accept and provision the applicable loop and transport orders for the CLEC providing the self-certification during a dispute resolution process.
- 4.1.1.7 During the applicable transition period, the rates paid will be the rates in effect at the time of the non-impairment designations plus 15%.
- 4.1.2 If the ICC has previously determined, in any proceeding, even if CLEC was not a party to that proceeding that a wire center is properly designated as a wire center meeting the thresholds set forth in Sections 0.1.7, 0.1.8 or 0.1.9, then CLEC shall not be entitled to DS1/DS3 Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements declassified by the non-impairment status of such wire center. SBC CLEC Online shall be updated to indicate that the wire center was the subject of an ICC determination. If CLEC withdraws its self-certification after a dispute has been filed with the ICC, but before the ICC has made a determination regarding the wire center designation, SBC's wire center designation(s) shall become effective as to CLEC, and CLEC shall not thereafter re-submit the withdrawn self-certification.
- 4.1.3 The Dispute Resolution process set forth in the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement shall not apply to a dispute of a CLEC self-certification. In the state of Illinois, if it desires to do so by filing a complaint at the ICC, SBC may dispute the self-certification and associated CLEC orders for DS1/DS3 Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport, and Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport pursuant to the following procedures: SBC shall notify the CLEC of its intent to dispute the CLEC's self-certification within 30 days of the CLEC's self-certification or within 30 days of the effective date of this amendment, whichever is later. SBC will file the dispute for resolution with the state Commission within 60 days of the CLEC's self-certification or within 60 days of the effective date of this Attachment, whichever is later. SBC shall include with the filing its direct case testimony and exhibits which may reasonably be supplemented. To the extent this filing contains confidential information, SBC may file that information under seal. SBC shall offer to enter into a protective agreement under which SBC would provide such confidential information to CLEC. SBC shall have no obligation to provide such confidential information to any Party in the absence of an executed protective agreement. SBC will notify CLECs of the filing of such a dispute via Accessible Letter issued within 5 business days following the filing of a dispute. If the self-certification dispute is filed with the state Commission for resolution, the Parties will not oppose requests for intervention by other CLECs if such request is related to the disputed wire center designation(s). The parties agree to urge the ICC to adopt a case schedule resulting in the prompt resolution of the dispute. During the pendency of any dispute resolution proceeding, SBC shall continue to provide the loop or transport facility in question to CLEC at the rates in the Pricing Schedule to the Agreement. If the CLEC withdraws its self-certification, or the state Commission determines through arbitration or otherwise that CLEC was not entitled to the provisioned DS1/DS3 Loops or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport under Section 251, then (with rates paid by CLEC for the affected loop or transport subject to true-up):
- (a) When SBC designated relevant wire centers to be non-impaired before March 11, 2005, and a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered by CLEC pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act pursuant to a self-certification on or after March 11, 2005, and where the self-certification is reversed before the transition period specified in Section 4.1 has expired, then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport according to the process in Section 4.1. Rates between the date that the circuit is provisioned and the date the circuit is transitioned shall be the equivalent special access rate or, where no such equivalent exists, the rates established in Section 3.2.1.

- (b) When SBC designated relevant wire centers to be non-impaired before March 11, 2005, and a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered by CLEC pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act pursuant to a self-certification on or after March 11, 2005, and where the self-certification is reversed after the transition period specified in Section 4.1 has expired then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed. Rates between the date the circuit is provisioned and the date the circuit is actually transitioned shall be the equivalent special access rate or, where no such equivalent exists, the rates established in Section 3.2.1. If the CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed, then SBC shall be entitled to convert the loop to an analogous SBC wholesale service of its choice or in the absence of any analogous wholesale service to disconnect the arrangement.
- (c) When SBC designated relevant wire centers to be non-impaired before March 11, 2005, and a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered by CLEC pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act before March 11, 2005, and where the self-certification is reversed before the transition period specified in Section 4.1 has expired then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport according to the process in Section 4.1. Rates between the date that SBC issued the Accessible Letter and the date the circuit is transitioned shall be those in Section 3.2.1.
- (d) When SBC designated relevant wire centers to be non-impaired before March 11, 2005, and a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered by CLEC pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act before March 11, 2005, and where the self-certification is reversed after the transition period specified in Section 4.1 has expired then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed. Rates between the date SBC issued the Accessible Letter and the end of the transition period specified in Section 4.1 shall be those in Section 3.2.1. Rates during the period between the expiration of the transition period in Section 4.1 and date the circuit is actually transitioned shall be the equivalent special access rate or, where no such equivalent exists, the rates established in Section 3.2.1. If the CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed, then SBC shall be entitled to convert the loop to an analogous SBC wholesale service of its choice or in the absence of any analogous wholesale service to disconnect the arrangement.
- (e) When SBC issues an Accessible Letter designating relevant wire centers to be non-impaired after March 11, 2005, and a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered by CLEC pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act pursuant to a self-certification after SBC issued the Accessible Letter, and where the self-certification is reversed before the transition period specified in Section 4.1.1.5 has expired, then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport according to the process in Section 4.1.1.5. Rates between the date that the circuit is provisioned or the date 30 days following the date SBC issued the Accessible Letter, whichever is later, and the date the circuit is transitioned shall be the equivalent special access rate or, where no such equivalent exists, the rates established in Section 4.1.1.7.
- (f) When SBC issues an Accessible Letter designating relevant wire centers to be non-impaired after March 11, 2005, and a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered by CLEC pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act pursuant to a self-certification after SBC issued the Accessible Letter, and where the self-certification is reversed after the transition period specified in Section 4.1.1.5 has expired then CLEC shall

transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed. Rates between the date the circuit is provisioned or the date 30 days following the date SBC issued the Accessible Letter, whichever is later, and date the circuit is actually transitioned shall be the equivalent special access rate or, where no such equivalent exists, the rates established in Section 4.1.1.7. If the CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed, then SBC shall be entitled to convert the loop to an analogous SBC wholesale service of its choice or in the absence of any analogous wholesale service to disconnect the arrangement.

- (g) When SBC issues an Accessible Letter designating relevant wire centers to be non-impaired after March 11, 2005, a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act before SBC issued the Accessible Letter, and where the self-certification is reversed before the transition period specified in Section 4.1 has expired then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport according to the process in Section 4.1. Rates during the period between the date that is 30 days following the date that SBC issued the Accessible Letter and the date the circuit is transitioned shall be those in Section 4.1.1.7.
- (h) When SBC issues an Accessible Letter designating relevant wire centers to be non-impaired after March 11, 2005, a DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport is ordered pursuant to Section 251(c)(3) of the Act before SBC issued the Accessible Letter, and where the self-certification is reversed after the transition period specified in Section 4.1.1.5 has expired then CLEC shall transition the DS1/DS3 Loop or DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed. Rates between the date 30 days after the date SBC issued the Accessible Letter and the end of the transition period specified in Section 4.1.1.5 shall be those in Section 4.1.1.7. Rates during the period between the expiration of the transition period in Section 4.1.1.5 and date the circuit is actually transitioned shall be the equivalent special access rate or, where no such equivalent exists, the rates established in Section 4.1.1.7. If the CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as applicable, to SBC within 90 days of the date on which the CLEC self-certification is reversed, then SBC shall be entitled to convert the loop to an analogous SBC wholesale service of its choice or in the absence of any analogous wholesale service to disconnect the arrangement.

4.1.4 In the event of a dispute following CLEC's self-certification, upon request by the Commission or CLEC, SBC will make available, subject to the appropriate state or federal protective order, and other reasonable safeguards, all documentation and all data upon which SBC intends to rely.

4.1.5 When more than 60 days from the issuance of an SBC designation of a wire center as non-impaired has elapsed, and if there has been no prior ICC determination of non-impairment as to the applicable wire center(s), CLEC can thereafter still self-certify for the purpose of ordering new loop and transport facilities. SBC may dispute CLEC's self-certification as described in Section 4.1.3 through 4.1.4 and SBC will accept and provision the applicable loop and transport orders for the CLEC providing the self certification during a dispute resolution process.

4.2 The provisions of Section 3.2.2, 3.2.2.1, 3.2.2.2 and 3.2.2.3 shall apply to the transition of DS1/DS3 Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements impacted by wire center designation(s). Requested transitions of DS1/DS3 Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements shall be performed in a manner that reasonably minimizes the disruption or degradation to CLEC's customer's service, and all applicable charges shall apply. Cross-connects provided by SBC in conjunction with such Loops and/or Transport shall be billed at applicable wholesale rates (i.e. if conversion is to an access product, they will be charged at applicable access rates, as of the date of conversion). Cross-connects that are not associated with such transitioned DS1/DS3

High-Capacity Loops, DS1/DS3 Dedicated Transport or Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport arrangements shall not be re-priced.

- 4.3 Intentionally left blank.
- 4.4 A Building that is served by both an impaired wire center and a Non-Impaired Wire Center and that is not located in the serving area of the non-impaired wire center will continue to have Affected Elements available from the impaired wire center and support incremental moves, adds, and changes otherwise permitted by the Agreement, as amended.
- 4.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, including any amendments to the Agreement, at the end of the Applicable Transitional Period, unless CLEC has submitted a disconnect/discontinuance LSR or ASR, as applicable, under Section 3.2.2 above, and if CLEC and SBC ILLINOIS have failed to reach agreement under Section 3.2.2.3 above as to a substitute service arrangement or element, then SBC may, at its sole option, disconnect Dark Fiber element(s), whether previously provided alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement, or convert the subject element(s), whether alone or in combination with or as part of any other arrangement to an analogous resale or access service, if available at rates applicable to such analogous service or arrangement.
- 4.6 Whenever SBC updates its wire center list pursuant to Section 4.1.1.1 and in the course of that analysis gathers and/or reviews information upon which said updates are based, SBC shall make available to CLEC, on a confidential basis, information advising when it believes a wire center has reached 90% of the number of Business Lines needed for the wire center to be classified as a Tier 1 or a Tier 2 Wire Center. In addition, SBC will specify which wire centers it considers to have 2 Fiber-Based Collocators and 3 Fiber-Based Collocators. This information shall only be used by CLEC for planning its transition off of the UNE loops and transport it purchases from SBC.

## 5.0 Commingling and Commingled Arrangements.

- 5.1 SBC shall permit CLEC to Commingle a UNE or a combination of UNEs with facilities or services obtained at wholesale from SBC. For the Commingled Arrangements listed in the Section 5.1, and any Commingled Arrangements voluntarily (i.e., not the result of state commission order) made available by SBC in the future in any of its 13 SBC ILEC states, SBC shall make such Commingled Arrangements available in Illinois. In addition, to the extent SBC is ordered by a state commission in any of the five SBC Midwest states (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin) to make additional Commingled Arrangements available, SBC shall also make such Commingled Arrangements available in Illinois, as long as the UNE or combination of UNEs and the facilities or services being obtained at wholesale for that commingled arrangement are available in Illinois. The types of Commingled Arrangements which SBC is required to provide as of the date on which this Amendment is effective will be posted on CLEC Online, and updated when new Commingling Arrangements are made available. The following SBC Commingled Arrangements have been posted to CLEC Online as available and fully tested on an end-to-end basis, i.e., from ordering through provisioning and billing:
  - i. UNE DS-0 Loop connected to a channelized Special Access DS1 Interoffice Facility, via a special access 1/0 mux
  - ii. UNE DS1 Loop connected to a channelized Special Access DS3 Interoffice Facility, via a special access 3/1 mux#
  - iii. UNE DS3 Loop connected to a non-concatenated Special Access Higher Capacity Interoffice Facility (e.g., SONET Service)#
  - iv. UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport connected to a channelized Special Access DS3 Loop#
  - v. UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport connected to a non-concatenated Special Access Higher Capacity Loop (i.e., SONET Service)#
  - vi. Special Access Loop connected to channelized UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport, via a 1/0 UNE mux
  - vii. Special Access DS1 loop connected to channelized UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport, via a 3/1 UNE mux#

- viii. UNE loop to special access multiplexer
  - ix. UNE DS1 Loop connected to a non-channelized Special Access DS1 Interoffice Facility or UNE DS1 Interoffice Transport connected to a Special Access DS1 Loop#
  - x. UNE DS3 Loop connected to a non-channelized Special Access DS3 Interoffice Facility or a UNE DS3 Interoffice Transport Facility connected to a DS3 Special Access Loop#
  - xi. UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport connected to a non-channelized Special Access DS3 Loop#
  - xii. Special Access DS1 channel termination connected to non-channelized UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport#
  - xiii. While not a commingling arrangement, SBC will support the connection of high-capacity loops to a special access multiplexer.  
# Indicates that FCC's eligibility criteria of 47 C.F.R. § 51.318(b) applies, including the collocation requirement.
- 5.1.1 To the extent that SBC requires the CLEC to submit orders for the Commingling Arrangements included in 5.1 (i) through (xii) manually, the mechanized service order charge shall be applicable.
- 5.1.2 For any Commingling Arrangement the CLEC desires that is not included in Section 5.1 of this Attachment, or subsequently established by SBC, CLEC shall request any such desired Commingling Arrangement and SBC shall respond pursuant to the Bona Fide Request Process (BFR) as outlined in the underlying Agreement. Through the BFR process, once the Parties agree that the development will be undertaken to make a new Commingling Arrangement available, SBC will work with the CLEC to process orders for new Commingling Arrangements on a manual basis pending the completion of systems development.
- 5.2 Upon request and to the extent provided by Applicable Law and the provisions of the Amended Agreement, SBC shall permit CLEC to connect a Section 251 UNE or a combination of Section 251 UNEs with facilities or services obtained at wholesale from SBC (including access services) and/or with compatible network components or services provided by CLEC or third parties, including, without limitation, those Commingled Arrangements consistent with Section 5.0 of this Attachment.
- 5.3 For example, without limitation of this provision, SBC will, upon request, connect loops leased or owned by CLEC to a third-party's collocation arrangement upon being presented with documentation that the CLEC has authorization from the third party to connect loops. In addition, SBC will, upon request, connect an EEL leased by CLEC to a third-party's collocation upon presentation of documentation of authorization. In addition, SBC will, upon request and documentation of authorization, connect third-party loops and EELs to CLEC collocation sites. An EEL provided hereunder may terminate to a third party's collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 6.3.4 upon presentation of documentation of authorization by that third party. Subject to the other provisions hereof, Section 251 UNE loops may be accessed via cross-connection to a third party's Section 251(c)(6) collocation arrangement upon presentation of documentation of authorization by that third party.
- 5.4 Upon request, and to the extent required by Applicable Law and the applicable provisions of this Attachment, SBC shall perform the functions necessary to Commingle a Section 251 UNE or a combination of Section 251 UNEs with one or more facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from SBC (as well as requests where CLEC also wants SBC to complete the actual Commingling), except that SBC shall have no obligation to perform the functions necessary to Commingle (or to complete the actual Commingling) if (i) it is not technically feasible, including that network reliability and security would be impaired; (ii) SBC's ability to retain responsibility for the management, control and performance of its network would be impaired, or (iii) it would undermine the ability of other telecommunications carriers to obtain access to UNEs or to interconnect with SBC's network. If SBC denies a Commingling request on the basis of any of these conditions, and SBC's denial is challenged, SBC shall have the burden of proving its denial was appropriate. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement and this Attachment, CLEC may connect, combine, or otherwise attach UNEs and combinations of UNEs to wholesale services obtained from SBC, and SBC shall not deny access to

Section 251 UNEs and combinations of Section 251 UNEs on the grounds that such facilities or services are somehow connected, combined or otherwise attached to wholesale services obtained from SBC.

- 5.5 SBC shall only charge CLEC the recurring and non-recurring charges in commingling service order processes where physical work is required to create the commingled arrangement as set forth in the Pricing Schedule attached to this Agreement applicable to the Section 251 UNE(s), facilities or services that CLEC has obtained at wholesale from SBC. Where there is no physical work and a record order type is necessary to create the commingled arrangement, only such record order charge shall apply. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement or any SBC tariff, the recurring and non-recurring charges applicable to each portion of a Commingled facility or service shall not exceed the rate for the portion if it were purchased separately unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties pursuant to the BFR process.
- 5.6 When CLEC purchases Commingled Arrangements from SBC, SBC shall charge CLEC element-by-element and service-by-service rates. SBC shall not be required to, and shall not, provide “ratcheting” as a result of Commingling or a Commingled Arrangement, as that term is used in the FCC’s Triennial Review Order. As a general matter, “Ratcheting” is a pricing mechanism that involves billing a single circuit at multiple rates to develop a single, blended rate.
- 5.7 Intentionally left blank.
- 5.8 SBC agrees that CLEC may request to Commingle the following elements to the extent that SBC is required to provide them pursuant to Section 271 of the Act (“271 Elements”), including but not limited to: (i) Local Loop transmission from the central office to the End Users’ premises (unbundled from local switching or other services), and (ii) Local transport from the trunk side of a wireline Local Exchange Carrier switch (unbundled from switching or other services). SBC shall provide CLEC with access to these 271 Elements and 13-801 Network Elements in accordance with Section 13.0 or 14.0 of this Attachment, as applicable.
- 5.9 Unless expressly prohibited by the terms of this Attachment, SBC shall permit CLEC to connect an unbundled Network Element or a Combination of unbundled Network Elements with wholesale (i) services obtained from SBC, (ii) services obtained from third parties or (iii) facilities provided by CLEC. For purposes of example only, CLEC may Commingle unbundled Network Elements or Combinations of unbundled Network Elements with other services and facilities including, but not limited to, switched and special access services, or services purchased under resale arrangements with SBC.
- 5.10 With respect to a Commingled Arrangement, CLEC will be responsible for all Channel Facility Assignment (“CFA”) and/or Assigned Point of Termination (“APOT”), The CFA/APOT are the assignments CLEC provides to SBC from CLEC’s collocation arrangement.

## 6.0 EELs.

- 6.1 SBC agrees to make available to CLEC Enhanced Extended Links (“EELs”) on the terms and conditions set forth below. SBC shall not impose any additional conditions or limitations upon obtaining access to EELs or to any other UNE combinations other than those set out in this Agreement. Except as provided below in this Section 6.0 and subject to this Section 6.1, SBC shall provide access to Section 251 UNEs and combinations of Section 251 UNEs without regard to whether CLEC seeks access to the UNEs to establish a new circuit or to convert an existing circuit from a service to UNEs provided the rates, terms and conditions under which such Section 251 UNEs are to be provided are included within the CLEC’s underlying Agreement.
- 6.2 An EEL that consists of a combination of voice grade to DS-0 level UNE local loops combined with a UNE DS1 or DS3 Dedicated Transport (a “Low-Capacity EEL”) shall not be required to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria set out in this Sections 6.2 and 6.3. If an EEL is made up of a combination that includes one or more of the following described combinations (the “High-Cap EELs”), each circuit to be provided to each customer is required to terminate in a collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 6.3.4 below (e.g., the end of the UNE Dedicated Transport that is opposite the end connected to the UNE

loop must be accessed by CLEC at such a collocation arrangement via a cross-connect unless the EEL is Commingled with a wholesale service in which case the wholesale service must terminate at the collocation). A High-Cap EEL is either:

- (A) an unbundled DS1 Loop in combination, or Commingled, with a dedicated DS1 transport or dedicated DS3 or higher transport facility or service, or to an unbundled DS3 Loop in combination, or Commingled, with a dedicated DS3 or higher transport facility or service; or
- (B) an unbundled dedicated DS1 transport facility in combination, or Commingled, with an unbundled DS1 Loop or a DS1 channel termination service, or to an unbundled dedicated DS3 transport facility in combination, or Commingled, with an unbundled DS1 Loop or a DS1 channel termination service, or to an unbundled DS3 Loop or a DS3 or higher channel termination service.

6.3 SBC shall make Low Capacity EELs available to CLEC without restriction, except as otherwise provided in the Agreement or this Attachment. SBC shall provide access to the High-Cap EELS (Sections 6.2(A) and 6.2(B)) only when CLEC satisfies the following service Eligibility Criteria:

6.3.1. CLEC (directly and not via an affiliate) has received state certification (or equivalent regulatory approval, as applicable) from the Commission to provide local voice service in the area being served. By issuing an order for an EEL, CLEC certifies that it has the necessary processes and procedures in place to certify that it will meet the EELs Eligibility Criteria for each such order it submits. SBC hereby acknowledges that CLEC has received sufficient state certifications to satisfy these criteria.

6.3.1.1 At CLEC's option, CLEC may also or alternatively provide self certification via email or letter to SBC. Provided that SBC has received such self certification from CLEC, SBC shall not deny CLEC access to High-Capacity EELs. Anything to the contrary in this Section notwithstanding, CLEC shall not be required to provide certification to obtain access to Low Capacity EELs, other Combinations or individual unbundled Network Elements.

6.3.1.1.1 This alternative method of certification-by-order applies only to certifications of Eligibility Criteria set forth in this Section 6, and not to self-certifications relative to routes, Buildings and wire centers.

6.3.2 The following Eligibility Criteria must be satisfied for each High-Cap EEL, including without limitation each DS1 circuit, each DS3 circuit, each DS1 EEL and each DS1 equivalent circuit on a DS3 EEL in accordance with Rule 51.318(b)(2):

- (i) Each circuit to be provided to each customer will be assigned a local number prior to the provision of service over that circuit. Each DS1 circuit to be provided to each end user customer will have at least one DS-0 assigned a local telephone number (NPA-NXX-XXXX).
- (ii) Each DS1-equivalent circuit on a DS3 EEL must have its own local telephone number assignment, so that each DS3 must have at least 28 local voice telephone numbers assigned to it;
- (iii) Each DS1 equivalent circuit to be provided to each customer will have designed 911 or E911 capability prior to the provision of service over that circuit.
- (iv) Each DS1 circuit to be provided to each customer will terminate in a collocation arrangement meeting the requirements of Section 6.3.4 of this Attachment;
- (v) Each DS1 circuit to be provided to each end user customer will be served by an interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 6.3.5 of this Attachment;
- (vi) For each 24 DS1 EELs or other facilities having equivalent capacity, CLEC will have at least one active DS1 local service interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 6.3.5 of this Attachment; and
- (vii) Each DS1 circuit to be provided to each customer will be served by a switch capable of switching local voice traffic.

- 6.3.3 The Eligibility Criteria set forth in this Section 6.3 shall apply to any arrangement that includes more than one of the UNEs, facilities, or services set forth in Section 6.2, including, without limitation, to any arrangement where one or more UNEs, facilities, or services not set forth in Section 6.2 is also included or otherwise used in that arrangement (whether as part of a UNE combination, Commingled Arrangement, or a Special Access to UNE Conversion), and irrespective of the placement or sequence of them.
- 6.3.4 Pursuant to the collocation terms and conditions in the underlying Agreement, a collocation arrangement meets the requirements of this Section 6.0 if it is:
- (A) Established pursuant to Section 251(c)(6) of the Act and located at SBC's premises within the same LATA as the customer's premises, when SBC is not the collocator; or
  - (B) Established pursuant to any collocation type defined in any SBC Tariff to the extent applicable, or any applicable CLEC interconnection agreement.
  - (C) Located at a third party's premises within the same LATA as the customer's premises, when the incumbent LEC is the collocator.
- 6.3.5 Pursuant to the network interconnection terms and conditions in the underlying Agreement, an interconnection trunk meets the requirements of Sections 6.3.2(v) and (vii) of this Attachment if CLEC will transmit the calling party's Local Telephone Number in connection with calls exchanged over the trunk.
- 6.3.6 Before (1) converting a High-Cap wholesale service to a High-Cap EEL, (2) ordering a new High-Cap EEL Arrangement, or (3) ordering a High-Cap EEL that is comprised of Commingled wholesale services and UNEs, CLEC must certify to all of the Eligibility Criteria set out in Section 6.3 for each circuit. To the extent the Eligibility Criteria for High Cap EELs apply, CLEC shall be permitted to self-certify its compliance with the Eligibility Criteria by providing SBC notification pursuant to Sections 6.3.1 and/or 6.3.1.1. Upon CLEC's self-certification of compliance, in accordance with this Attachment, SBC shall provide the requested EEL in accordance with this Attachment, and shall not exercise self help to deny the provisioning of the requested EEL; provided, however, that CLEC shall promptly share records of its compliance with the qualifying service criteria discussed herein upon request from SBC.
- 6.3.7 SBC may audit CLEC's compliance with the Eligibility Criteria by obtaining and paying for an independent auditor to audit, on no more frequently than an annual basis, CLEC's compliance in Illinois with the conditions set out in Section 6. Such an audit will be initiated only to the extent reasonably necessary to determine CLEC's compliance with the Eligibility Criteria. For purposes of calculating and applying an "annual basis", "annual basis" shall mean a consecutive 12-month period, beginning upon SBC's written notice that an audit will be performed for Illinois.
- 6.3.7.1 To invoke its limited right to audit, SBC will send a Notice of Audit to CLEC, identifying examples of particular High-Cap EELS for which SBC alleges non-compliance and the cause upon which SBC rests its audit. The Notice of Audit shall state the proposed scope of the audit and include all supporting documentation upon which SBC establishes the cause that forms the basis of its belief that CLEC is non-compliant. Such Notice of Audit will be delivered to CLEC with supporting documentation no less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date upon which SBC seek to commence an audit. The Notice of Audit shall identify the proposed independent auditor. Such auditor may not be substantially dependent upon either Party for work.
  - 6.3.7.2 Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties (including at the time of the audit), the independent auditor shall perform its evaluation in accordance with the standards established by the American Institute for Certified Public Accountants, which will require the auditor to perform an "examination engagement" and issue an opinion that includes the auditor's determination regarding CLEC's compliance with the Eligibility Criteria. The independent auditor's report will conclude whether CLEC complied in all material respects with the Eligibility Criteria.

- 6.3.7.3 Consistent with standard auditing practices, such audits require compliance testing designed by the independent auditor, which typically include an examination of a sample selected in accordance with the independent auditor's judgment.
- 6.3.7.4 SBC shall provide CLEC with a copy of the independent auditor's report within 2 business days from the date of receipt. The independent auditor's report shall state the scope of the audit that was performed. If CLEC disagrees as to the findings or conclusions of the auditor's report, CLEC may bring a dispute directly to the ICC. Prior to bringing a dispute to the ICC under this section, however, CLEC shall provide notice of the dispute to SBC so that the Parties can discuss possible resolution of the dispute. Such dispute resolution discussions shall be completed within fourteen (14) days of the date the auditor's report was provided to CLEC and CLEC may not initiate a dispute resolution proceeding at the ICC until after expiration of this fourteen (14) day period. The Dispute Resolution process set forth in the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement shall not apply to a dispute of the findings or conclusions of the auditor's report. If the auditor's report concludes that CLEC failed to comply with the Eligibility Criteria for a High-Cap EEL, CLEC must true-up any difference in payments paid to SBC and the rates and charges CLEC would have owed SBC beginning from the date that the non-compliance of the High-Cap EEL with the Eligibility Criteria, in whole or in part, began. CLEC shall submit orders to SBC to either convert all noncompliant High-Cap EELs to the equivalent or substantially similar wholesale service or disconnect non-compliant High-Cap EELs. Conversion and/or disconnect orders shall be submitted within 30 days of the date on which CLEC receives a copy of the auditor's report and CLEC shall begin paying the true-up and correct rates and charges for each converted High-Cap EEL beginning with the next billing cycle following SBC's acceptance of such order, unless CLEC disputes the auditor's finding and initiates a proceeding at the ICC for resolution of the dispute, in which case no changes shall be made until the ICC rules on the dispute. However CLEC shall pay the disputed amount into an escrow account governed by an appropriate joint escrow arrangement, pending resolution. With respect to any noncompliant High-Cap EEL for which CLEC fails to submit a conversion or disconnect order or dispute the auditor's finding to the ICC within such 30-day time period, SBC may initiate and effect such a conversion on its own without any further consent by CLEC. If converted, CLEC must convert the non-compliant High-Cap EEL to an equivalent or substantially similar wholesale service, or group of wholesale services. Reasonable steps will be taken to avoid disruption to CLEC's customer's service or degradation in service quality in the case of conversion. Following conversion, CLEC shall make the correct payments on a going-forward basis. In no event shall rates set under Section 252(d)(1) apply for the use of any High-Cap EEL for any period in which High-Cap EEL does not meet the Eligibility Criteria for that High-Cap EEL. Furthermore, if CLEC disputes the auditor's finding and initiates a proceeding at the ICC and if the ICC upholds the auditor's finding, any disputed amounts held in escrow shall be paid to SBC and SBC shall retain any disputed amounts already paid by CLEC.
- 6.3.7.5 If the auditor's report concludes that CLEC failed to comply with the Eligibility Criteria for any High-Cap EELs, CLEC will reimburse SBC for a fraction of the cost of the independent auditor equal to the number of High-Cap EELs that the auditor's report finds to be non-compliant divided by the total number of all High-Cap EELs leased by CLEC that were the subject of the audit. All costs of the independent auditor for which SBC seeks reimbursement shall be commercially reasonable. The CLEC reimbursement in this Section 6.3.7.5 is only applicable where there is an auditor finding of noncompliance and no Party challenges this finding with the ICC, or if there is an auditor finding of noncompliance followed by a Party filing a challenge to this finding with the ICC followed by the ICC affirming the auditor finding of noncompliance.

- 6.3.7.6 To the extent the auditor's report concludes that CLEC complied with the Eligibility Criteria for all High-Cap EELS that were audited, SBC must reimburse CLEC for all of its reasonable costs associated with the audit.
- 6.3.7.7 CLEC will maintain the appropriate documentation to support its self certifications of compliance with the Eligibility Criteria pursuant to the document retention terms and conditions of the underlying Agreement. To the extent the underlying Agreement does not include document retention terms and conditions, CLEC will maintain the appropriate documentation to support its self certifications for as long as the Agreement is operative, plus a period of two years.
- 6.3.7.8 SBC can seek an audit for any particular High-Cap EEL for the period which is the shorter of (i) the period subsequent to the last day of the period covered by the audit which was last performed, provided that the High-Cap EEL was within the scope of such prior audit as stated in the independent auditor's report. and (ii) the twenty-four (24) month period immediately preceding the date notice of such requested audit is provided to CLEC, but in any event not prior to the date the circuit was established.
- 6.3.7.9 In the event the underlying Agreement does not contain a backbilling statute of limitations, backbilling pursuant to Section 6.0 is limited to two years prior to the date of the Notice of Audit.

#### 6.4 Provisioning for EELs

- 6.4.1 With respect to an EEL, CLEC will be responsible for all Channel Facility Assignment ("CFA") and/or Assigned Point of Termination ("APOT"). The CFA/APOT are the assignments CLEC provides to SBC from CLEC's collocation arrangement.
- 6.4.2 SBC will perform all maintenance functions on EELs during a mutually agreeable timeframe to test and make adjustments appropriate for maintaining the UNEs in satisfactory operating condition. No credit will be allowed for normal service disruptions involved during such testing and adjustments. Standard credit practices will apply to any service disruptions not directly associated with the testing and adjustment process.
- 6.4.3 EELs may utilize multiplexing capabilities. The High Cap EEL may be obtained by CLEC if available and if CLEC meets all Eligibility Criteria set forth in this Section 6.0.
- 6.5 Other than the Eligibility Criteria set forth in this Section, SBC shall not impose limitations, restrictions, or requirements on requests for the use of UNEs for the service CLEC seeks to offer.

#### 7.0 Availability of HFPL for Purposes of Line Sharing.

- 7.1 SBC shall make available to CLEC (or its proper successor or assign pursuant to the terms of the Agreement) line sharing over the High Frequency Portion of the Loop ("HFPL") in accordance with the TRO and associated Rules 51.319(a)(1)(i)-(iv) and (b)(1).
- 7.2 Grandfathered and New End-Users: SBC will continue to provide access to the HFPL, where: (i) prior to October 2, 2003, CLEC began providing DSL service to a particular end-user customer and has not ceased providing DSL service to that customer ("Grandfathered End-Users"); and/or (ii) CLEC began providing xDSL service to a particular end-user customer between October 2, 2003, and December 3, 2004 ("New End-Users"). Such access to the HFPL shall be provided at the same monthly recurring rate that SBC charged prior to October 2, 2003 as set forth in the Pricing Schedule of the Agreement, and shall continue for Grandfathered End-Users until CLEC's xDSL-base service to the end-user customer is disconnected for whatever reason, and as to New End-Users the earlier of: (1) CLEC's xDSL-base of service to the customer is disconnected for whatever reason; or (2) October 2, 2006. Beginning October 2, 2006, SBC shall have no obligation to continue to provide the HFPL for CLEC to provide xDSL-based service to any New End-Users that CLEC began providing xDSL-based service to over the HFPL on or after October 2, 2003 and before December 3, 2004. Rather, effective October 2, 2006, CLEC must provide xDSL-based service to any such new end-user customer(s) via a line splitting arrangement, over

a stand-alone xDSL Loop purchased from SBC, or through an alternate arrangement, if any, that the Parties may negotiate. Any references to the HFPL being made available as an unbundled network element or “UNE” are hereby deleted from the underlying Agreement.

## **8.0 Routine Network Modifications.**

### **8.1 Routine Network Modifications – UNE Local Loops**

8.1.1 SBC shall make all routine network modifications to UNE Local Loop facilities used by CLEC where the requested UNE Local Loop facility has already been constructed. SBC shall perform all routine network modifications to UNE Local Loop facilities in a nondiscriminatory fashion, without regard to whether the UNE Local Loop facility being accessed was constructed on behalf, or in accordance with the specifications, of any carrier.

8.1.2 A routine network modification is an activity that SBC regularly undertakes for its own customers. Routine network modifications include, but are not limited to, rearranging or splicing of cable; adding an equipment case; adding a doubler or repeater; adding a smart jack; installing a repeater shelf; adding a line card; deploying a new multiplexer or reconfiguring an existing multiplexer; and attaching electronic and other equipment that the ILEC ordinarily attaches to activate such loops for its own customers. Routine network modifications may entail activities such as accessing manholes, splicing into existing cable, deploying bucket trucks to reach aerial cable, and installing equipment casings.

8.1.3 Routine network modifications do not include the construction of an altogether new loop; installing new aerial or buried cable; securing permits or rights-of-way; or constructing and/or placing new manholes or conduits or installing new terminals. SBC is not obligated to perform such activities for CLEC.

8.1.4 Intentionally omitted.

8.1.5 SBC shall provide routine network modifications at the rates, terms and conditions set out in this Attachment, and in the state specific Pricing Schedule. SBC shall impose charges for routine network modifications in instances where such charges are not included in any costs already recovered through existing, applicable recurring and non-recurring charges. SBC shall expressly certify that no costs recovered by routine network modification charges are recovered by any other rate or charge. The resulting ICB rates shall continue to apply to such routine network modifications unless and until the Parties negotiate specific rates based upon actual time and materials costs for such routine network modifications or specific rates are otherwise established for such routine network modifications through applicable state commission proceedings. In the event the ICC establishes or approves a rate for a routine network modification other than adding a doubler or repeaters, installing an equipment shelf and any other necessary work and parts associated with a repeater shelf to the extent such equipment is not present on the loop or transport facility when ordered, or splicing of dark fiber, any difference between that rate and the ICB rate actually charged by SBC Illinois for such routine network modification within the two (2) years prior to the date the ICC establishes or approves a rate shall be subject to true up, unless the Parties agree to a different period for such true-up or the ICC's order establishing or approving the rate establishes, based on clear and convincing evidence presented by the Party advocating a different true-up period, that a different true-up period should apply. The Parties acknowledge that they have agreed to the 2 year true-up period set forth above in the interests of certainty and to minimize disputes.

### **8.2 Routine Network Modifications – UNE Dedicated Transport and Dark Fiber**

8.2.1 SBC shall make all routine network modifications to UNE Dedicated Transport including Dark Fiber facilities used by CLEC where the requested UNE Dedicated Transport including Dark Fiber facilities have already been constructed. SBC shall perform all routine network modifications to UNE Dedicated Transport including Dark Fiber facilities in a nondiscriminatory fashion, without

regard to whether the UNE Dedicated Transport including Dark Fiber facility being accessed was constructed on behalf, or in accordance with the specifications, of any carrier.

8.2.2 A routine network modification is an activity that SBC regularly undertakes for its own customers. Routine network modifications include, but are not limited to, rearranging or splicing of cable, adding an equipment case, adding a doubler or repeater, adding a smart jack, installing a repeater shelf, adding a line card and deploying a new multiplexer or reconfiguring an existing multiplexer. Routine network modifications may entail activities such as accessing manholes, deploying bucket trucks to reach aerial cable and installing equipment casings.

8.2.3 Routine network modifications do not include the construction of new UNE Dedicated Transport including Dark Fiber; installing new aerial or buried cable; securing permits or rights-of-way; constructing and/or placing new manholes or conduits or installing new terminals. SBC is not obligated to perform the above stated activities for CLEC. However, when CLEC purchases Dark Fiber, SBC shall not be obligated to provide the optronics for the purpose of lighting the Dark Fiber.

**9.0 Batch Hot Cut Process:** The “Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings” are new hot cut processes developed after multi-state collaboration between SBC and interested CLECs. The Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings are available to CLECs in addition to any hot cut processes available pursuant to CLEC’s underlying interconnection agreement. The Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings are designed to provide additional hot cut options for conversions of voice service provisioned by SBC as retail, resale, UNE-P or Local Wholesale Complete™ (including instances where such arrangement is provided through a commercial arrangement) to non-SBC-provided switching. Detailed information and documentation regarding each of the Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings (including order guidelines, supported ordering scenarios, volume limitations (where applicable), and available due date intervals/cut times) is contained on SBC’s CLEC Online website (or successor website). Any future enhancements or modifications to SBC’s Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings will be made in accordance with SBC’s Change Management Process. SBC will ensure that its Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings comply with all applicable ICC batch cut rulings. Any changes to the volumes, provisioning, intervals or prices of SBC’s Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings shall be incorporated into the Agreement by amendment, based on negotiations between SBC and CLEC, or, if necessary, in accordance with Section 252. Any disputes between SBC and CLEC relating to SBC’s Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings shall be handled in accordance with the dispute resolution processes in the Agreement.

9.1 General:

9.1.1 Enhanced Daily Process: The “Enhanced Daily Process” option is designed to support hot cuts associated with new customer acquisitions. SBC places no limitations on the number of Enhanced Daily Process orders CLEC may place per day.

9.1.2 Defined Batch Hot Cut Process – The “Defined Batch Hot Cut Process” is designed to support hot cuts associated with the conversion of CLEC’s embedded base customers from service provisioned using SBC -provided switching to service provisioned using CLEC-provided switching. CLEC may request up to one hundred hot cuts per day per central office using the Defined Batch Hot Cut Process. The maximum number of Defined Batch Hot Cut Process requests that SBC must accept for a single day in a single central office for all CLECs combined is two hundred lines.

9.1.3 Bulk Project Offering – The “Bulk Project Offering” is designed to support large volumes of hot cuts associated with the conversion of CLEC’s embedded base customers from service provisioned using SBC -provided switching to service provisioned using CLEC -provided switching.

9.1.4 The Coordinated Hot Cut (“CHC”) and Frame Due Time (“FDT”) options for the Enhanced Daily Process, the Defined Batch Process, and the Bulk Project offering (collectively, the “Batch Hot Cut Offerings”) are specific to these processes and may differ from CHC and FDT options offered for other hot cut offerings. The CHC option for the Batch Hot Cut Offerings allows a CLEC to request that SBC reserve central office and local operation personnel to coordinate with the CLEC during a given time frame to migrate the end user with a minimum of downtime. The FDT option for the

Batch Hot Cut Offerings allows CLEC to request that SBC perform the hot cut anytime within a given time frame (typically an hour) on the loop due date.

9.1.5 If the CLEC is acting as a wholesale switching provider to the end user's retail voice provider, the CLEC will submit Batch Hot Cut Process orders using the CLEC's OCN and the end user's retail voice provider will not issue orders to SBC. SBC will accept the Batch Hot Cut order from the CLEC acting as a wholesale switching provider and perform the batch hot cuts that cross-connect the unbundled loops to the wholesale CLEC's collocation. If CLEC requests Batch Hot Cuts while acting as a wholesale switching provider, SBC will assess the applicable charges for the Batch Hot Cut to CLEC, not to the retail voice provider. When CLEC is acting as a wholesale switching provider, it may include requests for batch hot cuts for lines currently served by one or more retail CLECs, as well as lines from its own embedded base, within the same batch.

## 9.2 Pricing for Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings

9.2.1 The per line rates applicable for each available Batch Hot Cut Process Offering option are set forth on the attached Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings Pricing Schedule, which is incorporated herein by this reference. The rates contained in the Batch Hot Cut Process Offering Pricing Schedule only apply to Batch Hot Cut Process Offering hot cut requests. To the extent that the rate application and/or rate structure for the Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings conflicts with provisions contained in CLEC's underlying interconnection agreement, the rate structure and/or rate application contained in the Batch Hot Cut Process Offering Pricing Schedule prevails for Batch Hot Cut Process Offering requests only. This amendment does not modify the rate structure or rates applicable for any hot cuts requested using other hot cut processes supported by CLEC's underlying interconnection Agreement.

## 10.0 Conversions

### 10.1 Conversion of Wholesale Services to UNEs

10.1.1 Upon request, SBC shall convert a wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, to the equivalent UNE, or combination of UNEs, that is available to CLEC under terms and conditions set forth in this Attachment, so long as the CLEC and the wholesale service, or group of wholesale services, and the UNEs, or combination of UNEs, that would result from the conversion meet the Eligibility Criteria that may be applicable. (By way of example only, the statutory conditions would constitute one such eligibility criterion.)

10.1.2 Where processes for the conversion requested pursuant to this Attachment are not already in place, SBC will develop and implement processes, subject to any associated rates, terms and conditions. The Parties will comply with any applicable Change Management guidelines. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties, such conversion shall be completed in a manner so that the correct charge is reflected on the next billing cycle after CLEC's request. SBC agrees that CLEC may request the conversion of such special access circuits on a "project" basis. For other types of conversions, until such time as the Parties have agreed upon processes for such conversions, SBC agrees to process CLEC's conversion requests on a case-by-case basis and without delay.

10.1.2.1 For UNE conversion orders for which SBC has either a) not developed a process or b) developed a process that falls out for manual handling, SBC will charge CLEC the Electronic Service Order (Flow Thru) Record charge for processing CLEC's orders until such process has been developed and CLEC agrees to immediately use the electronic process. Then SBC may charge service order charges and/or record change charges, as applicable.

10.1.2.2 Except as agreed to by the Parties or otherwise provided hereunder, SBC shall not impose any untariffed termination charges, or any disconnection fees, re-connection fees, or charges associated with converting an existing wholesale service or group of wholesale

services to UNEs or combinations of UNEs. SBC may charge applicable service order charges or record change charges.

10.1.3 SBC will complete CLEC conversion orders in accordance with the OSS guidelines in place in support of the conversion that the CLEC is requesting with any disruption to the end user's service reduced to a minimum or, where technically feasible given current systems and processes, no disruption should occur. Where disruption is unavoidable due to technical considerations, SBC shall accomplish such conversions in a manner to minimize any disruption detectable to the end user. Where necessary or appropriate, SBC and CLEC shall coordinate such conversions

10.1.3.1 When converting from a wholesale service to a UNE or combination of UNEs, the applicable non-recurring charges, if any, as governed by this Agreement and/or Tariff from which the UNE or UNE combination being converted to is ordered, shall apply.

10.1.4 SBC shall perform any conversion from a wholesale service or group of wholesale services to a unbundled Network Element or Combination of unbundled Network Elements in such a way so that no service interruption as a result of the conversion will be discernable to the end user customers.

10.1.5 Except as provided in 10.1.2, in requesting a conversion of an SBC service, CLEC must follow the standard guidelines and ordering requirements that are applicable to converting the particular SBC service sought to be converted.

#### **11.0 FTTH Loops, FTTC Loops, Hybrid Loops and Retirement of Copper Loops.**

11.1 The following terms shall apply to FTTH and FTTC Loops.

11.1.1 New Builds. SBC shall not be required to provide nondiscriminatory access to a FTTH or FTTC Loop on an unbundled basis where SBC has deployed such a Loop to premises that previously were not served by any SBC Loop.

11.1.2 Overbuilds. SBC shall not be required to provide nondiscriminatory access to a FTTH or FTTC Loop on an unbundled basis when SBC has deployed such a Loop parallel to, or in replacement of, an existing copper Loop facility, except that:

(a) SBC shall maintain the existing copper Loop connected to the particular customer premises after deploying the FTTH/FTTC Loop and provide nondiscriminatory access to that copper Loop on an unbundled basis unless SBC retires the copper Loop pursuant to the terms of Section 11.1.3.

(b) If SBC maintains the existing copper Loop pursuant to this Section 11.1.2, SBC need not incur any expenses to ensure that the existing copper loop remains capable of transmitting signals. Prior to receiving a request for access by CLEC, upon receipt of a request for access pursuant to this section, SBC shall restore the copper loop to serviceable condition and will maintain the copper loop when such loop is being purchased by CLEC on an unbundled basis under the provisions of this Attachment.

(c) For each copper loop retired pursuant to Section 11.1.3 below, SBC shall offer to provide nondiscriminatory access to a 64 kilobits per second transmission paths capable of voice grade service over the FTTH/FTTC Loop on an unbundled basis on the same rates and terms applicable under the Agreement to a DS-0 Local Loop to the same premises were such a loop available. CLEC is entitled to request any number of 64kbps paths up to the number of copper loops or subloops previously serving the customer premises that were retired.

11.1.3 Prior to retiring any copper loop or copper subloop that has been replaced with a FTTH/FTTC Loop, SBC must comply with the network disclosure requirements set forth in Section 251(c)(5) of the Act and in Rules 51.325 through 51.335 and any applicable state requirements. If a CLEC is leasing a copper loop when SBC submits its notice pursuant to the foregoing sentence, SBC shall also provide CLEC with a copy of such short term notice via an accessible letter. In addition, SBC may not retire a copper loop currently leased by a CLEC unless SBC performs, upon CLEC request, a line station transfer ("LST") where an alternative copper or non-packetized hybrid (TDM)

loop is available. In order to request an LST, CLEC must have the rates, terms and conditions for an LST in the underlying Agreement. CLEC will be billed and shall pay for such an LST at the rates set forth in the Pricing Schedule. If no such rates, terms and conditions exist in the underlying Agreement, CLEC can request an LST pursuant to the rates, terms and conditions in SBC's Generic Interconnection Agreement.

11.1.4 SBC shall not engineer the transmission capabilities of its network in a manner, or engage in any policy, practice, or procedure, that disrupts or degrades CLEC's access to, or ability to tap the full capabilities of, a local loop or subloop. As such, SBC's modification of loop plant (e.g., removing copper feeder facilities and stranding CLEC's access to distribution subloop) shall not limit or restrict CLEC's ability to access all of the loop features, functions and capabilities, including DSL capabilities, nor increase the price of any loop used by, or to be used by, CLEC. Furthermore, SBC will comply with Rules 51.325 through 51.335, and any applicable state requirements.

## 11.2 Hybrid Loops Generally

11.2.1 Broadband Services. When CLEC seeks access to a Hybrid Loop for the provision of broadband services SBC shall provide CLEC with nondiscriminatory access to the TDM features, functions, and capabilities of that Hybrid Loop, including DS1 or DS3 capacity (subject to CLEC's self-certification in accordance with Section 4 of this Attachment), regardless of the type of DLC systems (e.g., NGDLC, UDLC, IDLC) on an unbundled basis, to establish a complete transmission path between the SBC central office and an end user customer premise. This access shall include access to all features, functions, and capabilities of the Hybrid Loop to the extent that such are not used to transmit packetized information. In instances where both TDM and packetized functionality exist on the Hybrid Loop, SBC is required to only make the TDM functionality available on an unbundled basis. The unbundling obligation associated with DS-1 loops is not limited by the rules adopted in the TRO for hybrid loops.

11.2.2 Narrowband Services. When CLEC seeks access to a Hybrid Loop for the provision to its customer of narrowband services, SBC shall either (a) provide nondiscriminatory access to a spare home-run copper Loop serving that customer on an unbundled basis, or (b) provide nondiscriminatory access, on an unbundled basis, to an entire Hybrid Loop capable of voice-grade service (i.e., equivalent to DS-0 capacity), using time division multiplexing technology at a rate no higher than the DS-0 loop rate in the Pricing Schedule.

11.2.3 Rates. The non-recurring and recurring rates for Hybrid Loops provided pursuant to Sections 11.2.1 and 11.2.2 shall be no higher than for a copper or fiber loop of comparable capacity as set forth in the Pricing Schedule.

11.2.4 IDLC Hybrid Loops. Where a CLEC requests an unbundled loop to a premises to which SBC has deployed an IDLC Hybrid Loop, SBC can only charge the CLEC the least cost technically feasible method of unbundled access. SBC may not impose special construction or other non-standard charges (which does not include routine network modification charges permitted under Section 8.1.5 of this Attachment) to provision unbundled loops where it has deployed IDLC except as provided under this Agreement.

11.2.5 Feeder. SBC shall not be required to provide access to the feeder portion of a Loop on an unbundled, standalone basis.

## 12.0 Use of Section 251 Unbundled Network Elements

12.1 Except as provided in Section 6.0 of this Attachment, SBC shall not impose limitations, restrictions, or requirements on requests for, or the use of, unbundled network elements provided under Section 251 for the service CLEC seeks to offer.

12.2 CLEC may not access an unbundled network element under Section 251 for the exclusive provision of mobile wireless services or interexchange services.

- 12.3 A CLEC that accesses and uses an unbundled network element provided under Section 251 consistent with paragraph 12.2 may provide any telecommunications services over the same unbundled network elements.

**13.0 Section 271 Obligations.**

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- 13.2 Intentionally left blank.
- 13.3 Intentionally left blank.
- 13.4 Nothing in this Attachment shall expand or contract SBC's obligation, if any, to provide CLEC access to network elements pursuant to Section 271 in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. Nothing in this Attachment should be interpreted, or deemed as grounds for, amending the rates, terms and conditions (if any) by which SBC provides 271 Elements to CLEC. Provided, however, CLEC may request that any Section 251 unbundled network element or combination of network elements (including any TRO Affected Element or TRO Remand Affected Element) be reclassified as a corresponding 271 Element or Elements, provided that SBC is obligated to provide such elements under Section 271 under the Agreement. SBC will perform such reclassification at no charge.

**14.0 Section 13-801 Obligations.**

- 14.1 Section 13-801 Obligations are addressed in the attached Rider 1.

**15.0 Entrance Facilities and Interconnection Facilities.**

- 15.1 Dedicated Transport facilities that do not connect a pair of incumbent LEC wire centers, including but not limited to, the transmission facilities that connect CLEC's networks with SBC's networks, are Entrance Facilities that will no longer be Unbundled Network Elements provided pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) under the Agreement. Effective immediately, CLEC shall not place orders for new Entrance Facilities as UNEs. As to existing Entrance Facility UNEs, CLEC must within 90 days of the Effective Date of this Attachment either request disconnection; submit a request for analogous access service; or identify and request another alternative service arrangement.
- 15.2 Notwithstanding Section 15.1, SBC is required to provide access to facilities that CLEC requests to interconnect with SBC's network for the transmission and routing of telephone exchange service and exchange access service, in accordance with the requirements of Section 251(c)(2) of the Act ("Interconnection Facilities").
- 15.3 Intentionally left blank.
- 15.4 For avoidance of doubt, CLEC may request that an Entrance Facility UNE be reclassified as an Interconnection Facility pursuant to Section 15.1 if CLEC will use the facility for interconnection in accordance with Section 15.2. SBC will perform such reclassification at no charge.

## RIDER 1

### Section 13-801 Obligations

- 1.1 Notwithstanding any determination of non-impairment that may affect SBC's obligations under Section 251 of the Act, CLEC may purchase the network elements (as defined in Section 13-216 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act and referred to herein as "13-801 Elements"), and interconnection required by Section 13-801 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act and applicable ICC orders interpreting Section 13-801 by providing such network elements, combinations thereof and interconnection pursuant to the rates, terms and conditions set forth in SBC's intrastate tariff, ILL. C. C. No. 20, Part 19. Should SBC's intrastate tariff for any or all 13-801 network elements be canceled or withdrawn for any reason other than that SBC is no longer required by law to offer such network elements under Section 13-801, the prices, terms and conditions for 13-801 network elements in such tariff shall nonetheless be deemed to be incorporated into and to continue in effect as part of the Agreement. The prices, terms and conditions to be incorporated shall be as they existed as of the date the tariff was cancelled or withdrawn.
- 1.2 Intentionally left blank.
- 1.3 The recurring monthly rates for UNE-P in the above-referenced tariff shall be increased by \$1. The recurring monthly rates for DS1, DS3 and dark fiber loops and transport in the above-referenced tariffs that SBC is not obligated to provide as unbundled network elements pursuant to Section 251(c) shall be increased by 15%.
- 1.4 If the Parties negotiate rates for Section 13-801 Elements other than those described in Sections 1.1 and 1.3, such revised rates shall be effective on the date of the ICC order approving an amendment to the Agreement adopting such revised rates. If the ICC issues an order in a proceeding of general applicability pursuant to Section 13-801 (g) or other applicable provision of the Illinois Public Utilities Act resulting in rates for network elements and/or interconnection provided by SBC in accordance with Section 13-801 that are different than the rates described in Sections 1.1 and 1.3, such revised rates shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement on the later of the date of the ICC order or the date that revised tariffs resulting from the ICC order become effective.
- 1.5 This Rider applies only to network elements that SBC is not required to offer as UNEs under Section 251 of the Act.
- 1.6 Upon request, SBC will reclassify at no charge any Section 251 UNE or combination of UNEs to any Section 13-801 element or elements, provided such 13-801 element or elements are provided for in this Rider.
- 1.7 On February 25, 2005, SBC Illinois filed a complaint and motion for preliminary injunction in federal district court for the Northern District of Illinois requesting that Court enjoin the Illinois Commerce Commission from enforcing the provisions of Section 13-801 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act, as interpreted by the June 11, 2002 Order in Docket 01-0614, the Order itself and the implementing tariffs, insofar as they would require SBC to provide unbundled access to local switching, related elements and UNE-P after March 11, 2005, on the grounds that any such requirement is inconsistent with and preempted by the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the *TRO*. To the extent the Court enjoins enforcement of one or more of SBC's obligations under Section 13-801 to provide network elements or methods of interconnection, or if SBC's obligation to provide one or more network elements or methods of interconnection under Section 13-801 is otherwise discontinued, enjoined or vacated by any court, the ICC, the FCC or the Legislature, the affected obligation shall automatically terminate and SBC shall no longer be required to provide such Section 13-801 network elements under the Agreement and this Amendment.

## RIDER 2

### Batch Hot Cut Process Offerings Pricing Schedule

<u>Rate Element</u>	<u>USOC</u>	<u>Rate</u>
<b><u>Enhanced Daily Rates</u></b>		
Enhanced Daily FDT Basic	NRFHA	\$29.84
Enhanced Daily CHC Basic	NRFHB	\$33.92
Enhanced Daily IDLC Basic	NRFHC	\$89.31
<b><u>Defined Batch Rates</u></b>		
Defined FDT Basic	NRFHD	\$25.28
Defined CHC Basic	NRFHE	\$26.64
Defined FDT Expanded	NRFHF	\$25.62
Defined CHC Expanded	NRFHG	\$26.92
Defined IDLC Basic	NRFHH	\$88.65
<b><u>Bulk Batch Rates</u></b>		
Bulk FDT Basic	NRFHJ	\$25.21
Bulk CHC Basic	NRFHK	\$26.57
Bulk FDT Expanded	NRFHL	\$25.54
Bulk CHC Expanded	NRFHM	\$26.86
Bulk FDT Premium	NRFHN	\$27.68
Bulk CHC Premium	NRFHO	\$29.30
Bulk IDLC Basic	NRFHP	\$88.65