

INTERCONNECTION

9. Interim Number Portability (Cont.)

9.4 Responsibility of the Co-Provider

- 9.4.1 The Co-Provider shall exchange technical descriptions and forecasts of their traffic requirements in sufficient detail necessary to engineer, install, maintain, and administer the facilities subject to this arrangement.
- 9.4.2 The Co-Provider is solely responsible to obtain authorization from the end-user for the handling of the disconnection of the end-user's service with the Company, the provision of service by the Co-Provider and the provision of Interim Number Portability Alternative routing. Should a dispute or discrepancy arise regarding the authority of the Co-Provider to act on behalf of the end-user, the Co-Provider is responsible for providing written evidence of its authority to the Company.
- 9.4.3 The Co-Provider is responsible for coordinating the provisioning of the arrangement with the Company to assure that the Co-Provider's switch is capable of accepting the Interim Number Portability Alternative ported traffic.
- 9.4.4 The Co-Provider is solely responsible to provide equipment and facilities that are compatible with the Company's service parameters, interfaces, equipment and facilities. The Co-Provider is required to provide sufficient terminating facilities and services at the terminating end of an Interim Number Portability Alternative call to adequately handle all traffic to that location and is solely responsible to ensure that its facilities, equipment and service do not interfere with or impair any facility, equipment or service of the Company or any of its end-users.
- 9.4.5 The Co-Provider is responsible for providing an appropriate intercept announcement service for any telephone number subscribed to the Interim Number Portability Alternative routing for which it is not presently providing local exchange service or terminating on an end-user.

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9.4.6 Where the Co-Provider chooses to disconnect or terminate any Interim Number Portability Alternative routing, it is responsible for designating the preferred type of announcement to be provided by the Company at appropriate unregulated intercept rates, if applicable.

9.4.7 The Co-Provider is responsible for designating to the Company at the time of its initial service request for Interim Number Portability Alternative routing one of the following options with respect to Credit Card, Collect, third party, and other operator handled calls from or to the Interim Number Portability Alternative assigned telephone numbers: (1) the Co-provider may request that the Company block all such calls; (2) the Co-provider may accept billing from the Company for such calls; or (3) the Co-provider may negotiate a separate agreement with the Company establishing the call handling, processing, billing and collection responsibilities of the parties.

9.5 Responsibility of the Company

The Company will make available information necessary describing the interoffice transmission and signaling procedures standard to the Company's network.

9.6 Rates and Charges

9.6.1 Remote Call Forwarding Options

Each number ported to the Co-provider will be charged at the following reciprocal monthly rate:

Monthly Rate: \$1.14 per line

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