13. Expanded Extended Loop (EEL)
13.1 General

13.1.1	Description	
A.	EEL arrangements are provided to the extent technically feasible where facilities exist and where individual network elements must be provided pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) and 47 C.F.R. Part 51. EEL arrangements enable a CLEC to use combinations of unbundled links (provided under Part B, Section 5) and unbundled dedicated interoffice transport network elements (provided under Part B, Section 2).	(N) (N) (D) (D)
B.	Intrastate-interLATA EEL arrangements will be provided only when all circuit end points are within the same local exchange calling area as defined in DTE MA No. 10.	
C.	In addition to the EEL arrangements described in 13.1.1A, the following unbundled links (refer to Part B, Section 5) are available in combination with EEL voice grade/DS0 transport. Such EEL arrangements are not subject to the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 13.1.1.D.	(N) (N)
1.	2 wire analog basic link	
2.	2 wire digital ISDN capable link	
3.	4 wire analog basic link	
4.	4 wire 56 KD link	
D.	Pursuant to the Federal Communication Commission's Report and Order and Order on Remand and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released on August 21, 2003 in CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98, and 98-147 (the "Triennial Review Order"), and in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 51.318(b), the CLEC shall not submit an order for access to (1) an unbundled DS1 loop in combination, or commingled, with a dedicated DS1 transport or dedicated DS3 transport facility or service, or to an unbundled DS3 loop in combination, or commingled, with a dedicated DS3 transport facility or service, or (2) 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 DS1 channel termination service, or to an unbundled DS3 loop or DS3 channel termination service, unless the CLEC first certifies to the Telephone Company in writing that all the following conditions are met:	(N) (N) (D) (D)
1.	The CLEC has received state certification to provide local voice service in the area being served, or in the event state certification is no longer required, the CLEC has complied with registration, tariffing, filing fee, or other regulatory requirements applicable to the provision of local voice service in the area being served.	(N) (N) (D) (D)

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13.1.1	Description	
2.	The following criteria are satisfied for each combined circuit: (i) Each circuit to be provided to each customer will be assigned a local number prior to the provision of service over that circuit; (ii) Each DS1-equivalent circuit on a DS3 EEL must have its own local number assignment, so that each DS3 must have at least 28 local voice numbers assigned to it; (iii) Each circuit to be provided to each customer will have 911 capability prior to the provision of service over that circuit; (iv) Each circuit to be provided to each customer will terminate in a collocation arrangement that meets the requirements of Section 13.1.1.D.3 below; (v) Each circuit to be provided to each customer will be served by an interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 13.1.1.D.4 below; (vi) For each 24 DS1 EELs or other facilities having equivalent capacity, the CLEC will have at least one active DS1 local service interconnection trunk that meets the requirements of Section 13.1.1.D.4 below; and (vii) Each circuit to be provided to each customer will be serviced by a switch capable of switching voice traffic.	(C)
3.	A collocation arrangement meets the requirements of Section 13.1.1.D.2.iv above if it is: (i) Established pursuant to Section 251(c)(6) of the Act and located at a Telephone Company premises within the same LATA as the customer's premises, when the Telephone Company is not the collocator; and (ii) Located at a third party's premises within the same LATA as the customer's premises, when the Telephone Company is the collocator.	
4.	An interconnection trunk meets the requirements of Sections 13.1.1.D.2.v and 13.1.1.D.2.vi above if the CLEC will transmit the calling party's number in connection with calls exchanged over the trunk.	

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13.2 Responsibility of the Telephone Company

13.2.1	Description	
A.	In accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) and 47 C.F.R. Part 51, the Telephone Company will perform the necessary functions to combine unbundled loop and IOF transport network elements to provide EEL arrangements.	(N)
B.	In accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) and 47 C.F.R. Part 51, the Telephone Company will perform the necessary functions to commingle an unbundled network element obtained under this tariff and a wholesale service obtained under DTE MA No. 15. or a separate commercially negotiated agreement to provide a loop-transport arrangement.	(N) (N)

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13.3 Responsibility of the CLEC

13.3.1	Description	
A.	The CLEC must certify in writing that the EEL arrangement satisfies the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 13.1.1.D. Such certification will not delay the provisioning of EEL arrangements. The CLEC must remain in compliance with the eligibility criteria for so long as the CLEC continues to receive the EEL arrangement from the Telephone Company. The service eligibility criteria shall be applied to each DS1 circuit or DS1 equivalent circuit. If the circuit is, becomes, or is subsequently determined to be, noncompliant, the noncompliant circuit will be treated as described in Section 13.3.1.B below. The foregoing shall apply whether the circuits in question are being provisioned to establish a new circuit or to convert an existing wholesale service, or any part thereof, to unbundled network elements. For existing circuits, the CLEC must re-certify in writing for each DS1 circuit or DS1 equivalent on or before August 13, 2006. Circuits not re-certified shall be treated as described in Section 13.3.1.B below.	(T)
B.	If a circuit is or becomes noncompliant as described in Section 13.3.1.A above, and the CLEC has not submitted an LSR or ASR, as appropriate, to the Telephone Company requesting disconnection of the noncompliant facility and has not separately secured from the Telephone Company an alternative arrangement to replace the noncompliant circuit, then the Telephone Company shall reprice the subject circuit, effective beginning on the date on which the circuit became non-compliant, by application of a new rate (or, by application of a surcharge to an existing rate) to be equivalent to an analogous access service or other analogous arrangement that the Telephone Company shall identify in a written notice to CLEC. The new rate shall be no greater than the lowest rate the CLEC could have otherwise obtained for an analogous access service or other analogous arrangement.	(N) (N)
C.	When submitting an ASR for a circuit for which certification under Section 13.3.1.A above is required, the CLEC should follow Verizon's ordering guidelines and provide all specified supporting information on the ASR related to the circuit's eligibility, but at a minimum, the CLEC must include the certification in the remarks section of the ASR as follows: "Certification: The circuit(s) requested in this ASR meet the eligibility criteria set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 51.318(b)(2)." The foregoing certification must be contained in the Remarks section of the ASR unless and until such time as provisions are made to populate other fields on the ASR to capture this certification. The CLEC has a duty of good faith and fair dealing, requiring that when the CLEC submits its certification, it knows, in fact, that each requirement of 47 C.F.R. § 51.318 is met. The Telephone Company may reject any ASR for a circuit for which certification is required under this section if the ASR does not contain the required certification.	
D.	The CLEC shall maintain records adequate to support its compliance with the service eligibility criteria for each DS1 or DS1 equivalent circuit for at least eighteen (18) months after the service arrangement in question is terminated.	
E.	The CLEC is responsible for initiating and isolating all end user trouble reports and isolating the trouble to the Telephone Company network. The trouble reporting procedure must conform to the established mechanized process.	

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13.3 Responsibility of the CLEC

13.3.1	Description	
F.	The CLEC must submit an accurate, timely and complete order.	(T) (X)
G.	To ensure adequate infrastructure planning to meet customer service requirements within standard intervals, CLECs must provide the Telephone Company with at least a one year detailed forecast of its volume requirement for all EEL arrangements. This should include requirements for both new growth and change in volumes. The forecast is to be provided to the Telephone Company on an annual basis.	(T) (X)

13. Expanded Extended Loop (EEL)
13.4 Regulations

13.4.1	General	
A.	The CLEC will have assignment control of all multiplexers and transport and must specify a connecting facility arrangement (CFA) for each low speed channel termination or transport termination requested.	
B.	Orders for backbone elements and EEL loops will be accepted at the same time and will be treated as one order. When the backbone element and subtending EEL loop elements are ordered concurrently, billing for the backbone element will begin when at least one subtending loop has been installed and turned up to the CLEC. If the backbone and loop elements are not ordered concurrently, billing of the backbone element will begin when the backbone element is installed and turned up to the CLEC.	
C.	An EEL arrangement may be ordered on an expedited basis.	
D.	When the CLEC requests a change from one EEL arrangement to another, such changes are treated as discontinuances of existing service and installations of new service.	
E.	**Certification Audits—** Once per calendar year, the Telephone Company may obtain and pay for an independent auditor to audit CLEC compliance in all material respects with the service eligibility criteria applicable to High Capacity EELs set forth in Section 13.1.1.D under which the CLEC has self-certified. Audits will not be conducted prior to the provisioning of an EEL arrangement. The Telephone Company will provide at least thirty days' written notice to a CLEC that it will conduct an audit.	(N) (N)
1.	The audit shall be performed by an independent party as authorized by the Telephone Company. Such a request will be initiated by the Telephone Company no more than once per year. Any such audit shall be performed in accordance with the standards established by the American Institute for Certified Public Accountants, and may include, at the telephone company's discretion, the examination of a sample selected in accordance with the independent auditor's judgment.	(N) (N)
2.	The CLEC shall supply required data, including but not limited to NPA-NXX and 4-digit telephone number suffixes associated with each DS1 or DS1 equivalent EEL arrangement, and associated usage data provided such records are kept by the CLEC as part of its normal course of business.	
3.	Where non-compliance is found, the CLEC must convert all non-compliant circuits to the appropriate service, true up any difference in payments, and make the correct payments on a going-forward basis. To the extent the independent auditor's report concludes that the CLEC failed to comply in all material respects with the service eligibility criteria set forth in Section 13.1.1.D , then (without limiting the Telephone Company's rights under Section 13.3.1.B. above) the CLEC must reimburse the Telephone Company for the cost of the independent auditor within thirty (30) days after receiving a statement of such costs from the Telephone Company. Proof of cost shall be the bills submitted to the Telephone Company by the independent auditor in adequate detail.	(N) (N) (D) (D)
4.	Should the independent auditor confirm that the CLEC complied in all material respects with the service eligibility criteria set forth in Section 13.1.1.D, then the CLEC shall provide to the independent auditor for its verification a statement of the CLEC's reasonable and verifiable costs of complying with any requests of the independent auditor, and the Telephone Company shall, within sixty (60) days of the date on which the CLEC submits such costs to the independent auditor, reimburse the CLEC for its reasonable and verifiable costs verified by the independent auditor. The CLEC shall maintain records adequate to support its compliance with the service eligibility criteria for each DS1 or DS1 equivalent circuit for at least eighteen (18) months after the service arrangement in question is terminated.	(C) (C) (C) (C)

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13.4 Regulations

13.4.2	Maintenance Standards	(X)
A.	All EEL arrangements are subject to the appropriate maintenance service standards applicable to the link.	(X)

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13.5 Application of Rates and Charges

13.5.1	Description	
A.	**Monthly Rates**	
1.	The applicable recurring rate for each separate network element will apply to EEL arrangements.	
2.	EEL voice grade/DS0 transport provides for the transmission facility between the two termination points.	
a.	Rates for EEL voice grade/DS0 transport apply on a fixed and per mile basis.	
3.	When a CLEC has requested conversion of a special access service to an EEL arrangement, EEL rates will be effective no later than 30 business days following the start of the conversion process.	(N) (N)
B.	**NRCs** will equal the sum of the tariffed NRC applicable to the individual unbundled network elements involved in the provisioning of the EEL arrangement, less the charge for the network activities, if any, not required to be performed due to the nature of the specific combination requested.	
1.	**Link Test Charge—** An NRC applies to recover the additional cost associated with testing EEL arrangements. This charge will vary depending on the specific loop type that is ordered.	
2.	**Customer Not Ready Charges** will apply on a standard or expedite basis, as appropriate.	(C)
3.	One service order charge per service order issued will apply.	
C.	**Collocation SAC or IAC Charges** as appropriate will also apply (refer to Part E).	
D.	Full termination liability will apply for conversions to EEL arrangements, where applicable.	