

**WISCONSIN NETWORK ELEMENT RATE AMENDMENT
TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

This Wisconsin Network Element Rate Order Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Amendment") is being entered into by and between Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin ("AT&T Wisconsin")¹ and Time Warner Cable Information Services (Wisconsin), LLC ("CLEC").

WHEREAS, AT&T Wisconsin and CLEC are Parties to an Interconnection Agreement that was previously submitted to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin ("PSCW" or "Commission") for approval, and may have been amended prior to this Amendment (the "Agreement");

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2003, the PSCW issued an order ("UNE Compliance Order") in Docket 6720-TI-161, that established a number of network element rates;

WHEREAS, the PSCW issued an order ("187 Order") in Docket 6720-TI-187, effective October 13, 2004, establishing new rates for unbundled network element ("UNE") loops that are included in the Agreement;

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2005, the PSCW issued an order ("Category 3 Order") in Docket 6720-TI-161, approving an IDLC conversion charge applicable to UNE loops that are included in the Agreement;

WHEREAS, provisions of the Agreement provide for the incorporation into the Agreement of new rates such as those established by the UNE Compliance Order, the 187 Order and Category 3 Order;

WHEREAS, FCC's *Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 04-179, in Unbundled Access to Network Elements, WC Docket No. 04-313/Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange, CC Docket No. 01-338 (rel. August 20, 2004) ("FCC Interim Order") and Order on Remand, *Unbundled Access to Network Elements; Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 04-313; CC Docket No. 01-338, (rel. Feb. 4, 2005) ("TRO Remand Order") (collectively the "FCC Orders") both affect rates for certain classes of network elements; and

WHEREAS, AT&T Wisconsin and CLEC wish to ensure that their Agreement accurately reflects the network element rate changes described in these various orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Agreement.
- 1.2 To the extent there is a conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Amendment and the provisions of the Agreement (including all incorporated or accompanying Appendices, Addenda and Exhibits to the Agreement), the provisions of this Amendment shall control and apply but only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

2. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT

2.1 The Agreement is hereby amended by referencing and incorporating the following:

- 2.1.1 Solely to conform the Agreement to effectuate certain rate changes established by the Commission in the UNE Compliance Order, 187 Order and Category 3 Order, and by the FCC in the FCC Orders, the Agreement is amended to add the attached pricing schedule labeled Attachment A (which is incorporated herein).

¹ Wisconsin Bell, Inc. (previously referred to as "Wisconsin Bell" or "AT&T Wisconsin") now operates under the name "AT&T Wisconsin".

2.1.2 The new rates in Attachment A are those that shall apply as of March 11, 2005. However, the Parties recognize that, in accordance with the Agreement, the UNE Compliance Order, the 187 Order, the Category 3 Order, and the FCC Orders, many of these rates have retroactive applicability and therefore, AT&T Wisconsin will perform any necessary true-up and issuing credits or bills, as appropriate. AT&T Wisconsin and CLEC acknowledge that some of these rate changes may have already been incorporated into the Agreement by prior amendment; however, for purposes of completeness and convenience they are described again herein, and this Amendment shall supercede any such prior amendment. To the extent a particular true-up has already been completed, it will not be performed again. The specific time frames² and rate elements affected are described below:

2.1.2.1 Rate elements on DS1 Loops – the rates for these elements approved by the PSCW in its UNE Compliance Order, as modified by the Category 3 Order, apply from May 21, 2002 through March 10, 2005. Beginning March 11, 2005, the FCC’s stay on UNE price decreases, as described in the FCC Interim Order, expired, and therefore the DS1 rates adopted by the PSCW in the 187 Order took effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties also acknowledge that the TRO Remand Order also affected some DS1 Loops. Section 2.4 of this Amendment contains additional terms applicable to those DS1 Loops affected by the TRO Remand Order.

2.1.2.2 Rate elements on Loops with capacities less than DS1 – the rates for these elements approved by the PSCW in its UNE Compliance Order, as modified by the Category 3 Order, apply from May 21, 2002 through October 12, 2004. The rates for these elements that were adopted by the PSCW in the 187 Order apply to the period following October 12, 2004.

2.1.2.3 IDLC conversion charge – this charge applies to each unbundled loop with a capacity of less than DS3 level. In accordance with the Category 3 Order, the IDLC conversion charge is \$0.04 per loop per month from May 22, 2002 through December 31, 2004. Beginning January 1, 2005, CLEC has an option to elect either Option 1 - a \$0.16 per loop per month charge for unlimited IDLC conversions or Option 2 - a \$0.10 per loop per month charge for a maximum of fifteen (15) conversions in each twelve (12) month period beginning January 1, 2005. If CLEC selects Option 2 and requires more than fifteen IDLC conversions during one of the twelve month periods, additional conversions will be subject to additional charges on a non-recurring ICB basis. CLEC must select its rate by placing an “X” above one of the lines below. Once an election is made, it cannot be changed. In accordance with the Category 3 Order, if CLEC fails to make an election, CLEC will be assigned the default choice of Option 1. For administrative convenience, the IDLC conversion charge will be added to the appropriate loop rate. It will not appear as a separate rate element on bills or invoices.

IDLC conversion selection – In accordance with the options described in section 2.1.2.3, CLEC hereby elects:

_____ Option 1 (\$0.16 charge for unlimited conversions)

____**X**____ Option 2 (\$0.10 charge for a maximum of 15 conversions per 12 mos.)

2.1.2.4 Miscellaneous elements – When AT&T Wisconsin initially implemented the rate elements from the UNE Compliance Order in 2003, it inadvertently omitted changes to certain rate

² Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement (including, as applicable, this Amendment and any other amendments to the Agreement, including the Revised Amendment, if any), in the event that any other telecommunications carrier (“Adopting CLEC”) should adopt, directly or indirectly, this Amendment or provisions thereof (“MFN Provisions”) pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, the rates and rate structures in Attachment A shall begin to apply prospectively from the date that the MFN Provisions become effective between AT&T Wisconsin and the Adopting CLEC following the date the PSCW approves or is deemed to have approved the Adopting CLEC’s Section 252(i) adoption (“Section 252(i) Effective Date”). In no event shall an Adopting CLEC be entitled to the application of any rate or rate structures under its MFN Provisions to a date prior to its Section 252(i) Effective Date.

elements from the price schedule. These elements were: Transit Service; Daily Usage File, per message; Digital DS1 Service Admin Charge – Disconnect; Digital DS1 Design and CO Connection – Disconnect Order; POTS Electronic Service Order – Disconnect; POTS Manual Disconnect Service Order Charge; Unbundled Tandem Trunk Service Charge – Port Disconnect; Unbundled Tandem Trunk Subsequent Trunk Group – Disconnect; Port Disconnect Charge Trunk Translations Features. In accordance with the UNE Compliance Order, these rates are retroactively effective back to May 21, 2002.

- 2.2 This Amendment is provided as a means by which AT&T Wisconsin and CLEC, which have an Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, can obtain the rights and obligations under the PSCW and FCC orders described herein. Nothing in this Amendment expands, contracts, or otherwise affects either AT&T Wisconsin's or CLEC's rights or obligations under the Agreement beyond the express provisions of this Amendment.
- 2.3 To the extent the underlying Agreement does not contain terms and conditions for network elements classified as UNE(s) and listed in Attachment A to this Amendment, this Amendment does not provide CLEC with the ability to obtain and/or order such network elements as UNEs. Rather, CLEC must negotiate a separate amendment incorporating the appropriate terms and conditions into the underlying Agreement before ordering and/or obtaining any such UNE(s) under this Agreement, provided, however, that nothing herein shall obligate AT&T Wisconsin to negotiate and/or enter into such an amendment.
- 2.4 Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement and this Amendment, pursuant to Rule 51.319(a) and Rule 51.319(e) as set forth in the TRO Remand Order, effective March 11, 2005, CLEC is not permitted to obtain the following new unbundled high-capacity loop and dedicated transport elements, either alone or in combination:

Dark Fiber Loops;

DS1/DS3 Loops in excess of the caps described in Rule 51.319(a)(4) or 51.319(a)(5) or to any building served by a wire center described in Rule 51.319(a)(4) or 51.319(a)(5), as applicable;

DS1/DS3 Transport in excess of the caps described in Rule 51.319(e)(2)(ii) or 51.319(e)(2)(iii) or between any pair of wire centers as described in Rule 51.319(e)(2)(ii) or 51.319(e)(2)(iii), as applicable; or

Dark Fiber Transport, between any pair of wire centers as described in Rule 51.319(e)(2)(iv).

The above-listed element(s) are referred to herein as the "Affected Element(s)."

Accordingly, pursuant to Rules 51.319(a) and (e), although AT&T shall continue to provide CLEC's embedded base of the Affected Element(s) (i.e., only Affected Elements ordered by CLEC before March 11, 2005), if and as provided by the Agreement, the price for the embedded base Affected Element(s) shall be the higher of (A) the rate CLEC paid for the Affected Element(s) as of June 15, 2004 *plus 15%* or (B) the rate the state commission has established or establishes, if any, between June 16, 2004 and March 11, 2005 for the Affected Element(s), *plus 15%*. CLEC shall be fully liable to AT&T 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.

- 2.5 CLEC will complete the transition of embedded base Affected Elements to an alternative arrangement by the end of the transition period defined in the TRO Remand Order (12 or 18 months from the TRO Remand Order's effective date, as applicable). For Dark Fiber Affected Elements, CLEC will remove all CLEC services from such Dark Fiber Affected Elements and return the facilities to AT&T by the end of the transition period defined in the TRO Remand Order for such Dark Fiber Affected Elements.
- 2.6 Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement, pursuant to Rule 51.319(d) as set forth in the TRO Remand Order, effective March 11, 2005, CLEC is not permitted to obtain new Mass Market ULS, either alone or in combination (as in with "UNE-P"). Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 51.319(d)(2)(iii), although AT&T shall continue to provide access to Mass Market ULS or Mass Market UNE-P to CLEC for CLEC to serve its embedded base of end-user customers, the price for Mass Market UNE-P shall be the higher of (A) the rate

at which CLEC obtained such Mass Market UNE-P on June 15, 2004 plus one dollar, or (B) the rate the applicable state commission established(s), if any, between June 16, 2004, and March 11, 2005, for such Mass Market UNE-P, plus one dollar. This additional one dollar is reflected as an increase to the port charge as set forth in Attachment A. For purposes of this Paragraph, "Mass Market" shall mean 1 – 23 lines, inclusive (i.e., less than a DS1 or "Enterprise" level). CLEC shall be fully liable to AT&T 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.

- 2.7 CLEC will complete the transition of embedded base Mass Market ULS and Mass Market UNE-P to an alternative arrangement by the end of the transition period defined in the TRO Remand Order (i.e., by March 11, 2006).

3. AMENDMENT EFFECTIVE DATE

- 3.1 The effective date of this Amendment shall be immediate upon approval of this Amendment by the PSCW under Section 252(e) of the Act or, absent such PSCW approval, the date this Amendment is filed under Section 252(e)(4) of the Act ("Amendment Effective Date"); provided, however, that the rates contained herein shall be applied in accordance with Section 2.1.2 of this Amendment, including any retroactivity discussed therein, and the prohibition on ordering certain elements shall be applied in accordance with Section 2.4 of this Amendment.

4. TERM OF AMENDMENT

- 4.1 EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDERLYING AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN UNCHANGED. This Amendment will become effective as of the Amendment Effective Date, and will terminate on the termination or expiration of the Agreement; provided, however, this Amendment, in whole or in part, may terminate or expire earlier pursuant to other provisions of this Amendment, including Section 6. This Amendment does not extend the term of the Agreement.

5. APPLICATION OF FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS

- 5.1 This Amendment is the result of the PSCW's UNE Compliance Order, 187 Order and Category 3 Order and solely addresses rates. Accordingly, no aspect of this Amendment qualifies for portability into any other state under any state or federal statute, regulation, order or legal obligation (collectively "Law"), if any. The entirety of this Amendment and its provisions are non-severable, and are "legitimately related" as that phrase has been understood under Section 252(i) of Title 47, United States Code. Nothing herein alters any obligation of any Party under the FCC's Orders.

6. RESERVATIONS OF RIGHTS

- 6.1 In entering into this Amendment, neither Party is waiving, and each Party hereby expressly reserves, any of the rights, remedies or arguments it may have at law or under the intervening law or regulatory change provisions in the underlying Agreement (including intervening law rights asserted by either Party via written notice predating this Amendment) with respect to any orders, decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof, including, without limitation, the following actions, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further government review: *Verizon v. FCC, et. al*, 535 U.S. 467 (2002); *USTA, et. al v. FCC*, 290 F.3d 415 (D.C. Cir. 2002) and following remand and appeal, *USTA v. FCC*, 359 F.3d 554 (D.C. Cir. 2004); the FCC's Triennial Review Order (rel. Aug. 21, 2003) including, without limitation, the FCC's MDU Reconsideration Order (FCC 04-191) (rel. Aug. 9, 2004) and the FCC's Order on Reconsideration (FCC 04-248) (rel. Oct. 18, 2004); 2005 Triennial Review Remand Order; and the FCC's Order on Remand and Report and Order in CC Dockets No. 96-98 and 99-68, 16 FCC Rcd 9151 (2001), (rel. April 27, 2001), which was remanded in *WorldCom, Inc. v. FCC*, 288 F.3d 429 (D.C. Cir. 2002).
- 6.2 This Amendment does not in any way prohibit, limit, or otherwise affect either AT&T Wisconsin or CLEC from taking any position with respect to the 187 Order or any other PSCW order or FCC Orders or any issue or subject addressed or implicated therein, or from raising and pursuing its rights and abilities with respect to

the 187 Order or any other PSCW order or any issue or subject addressed or implicated therein, or any legislative, regulatory, administrative or judicial action with respect to any of the foregoing.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

- 7.1 On and from the Amendment Effective Date, reference to the Agreement in any notices, requests, orders, certificates and other documents shall be deemed to include this Amendment, whether or not reference is made to this Amendment, unless the context shall be otherwise specifically noted.
- 7.2 This Amendment constitutes the entire amendment of the Agreement and supersedes all previous proposals, both verbal and written.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Party has caused this Amendment to be executed by its duly authorized representative.

Time Warner Cable Information Services
(Wisconsin), LLC

Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin, by AT&T
Operations, Inc., its authorized agent

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