

APPENDIX DIRECT

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**APPENDIX DIRECT
(DIRECT ACCESS AGREEMENT
FOR LOCAL DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE LISTINGS)**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions for electronic access to the Directory Assistant data-base provided by the applicable SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) owned Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) and CLEC.
 - 1.1.1 Southern New England Telephone (**SNET**) will provide electronic access to its Directory Assistance (DA) database through the FCC 39 Access Tariff.
- 1.2 SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) means the holding company which owns the following ILECs: Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated, Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Nevada Bell Telephone Company, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Pacific Bell Telephone Company, The Southern New England Telephone Company, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and/or Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a Ameritech Wisconsin.
- 1.3 As used herein, **SBC-13STATE** means the applicable above listed ILECs doing business in Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma, Texas and Wisconsin.
- 1.4 As used herein, **SBC-SWBT** means the applicable above listed ILECs doing business in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.
- 1.5 As used herein, **SBC-AMERITECH** means the applicable above listed ILECs doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.
- 1.6 As used herein, **PACIFIC** means the applicable above listed ILECs doing business in California.
- 1.7 As used herein, **NEVADA** means the applicable above listed ILECs doing business in Nevada.
- 1.8 As used herein, **SNET** means the applicable above listed ILECs doing business in Connecticut.
- 1.9 The Prices at which **SBC-13STATE** agrees to provide electronic access to its Directory Assistance (DA) database are contained in the applicable Appendix Pricing and/or the applicable Commissioned ordered tariff where stated.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 **“Automated Message According (AMA)”** – Billing detail recordings in the switch.
- 2.2 **“Call Processing Data Link - (CPDL)”** - CPDL is a proprietary, licensable interface that utilizes a standard format message protocol for transport of messages between Directory One Call Control and a switching entity.
- 2.3 **“Data Terminating Equipment (DTE)”** - A terminal attached to a data network as an End User node.
- 2.4 **“Nortel Digital Multiplexing Switch (DMS 200)”** - DMS performs base call processing functions and supports service capabilities.
- 2.5 **“IBM RISC 6000 Processor”** – The IBM platform that enables database search capabilities.
- 2.6 **“Nortel Directory One (D1)”** - D1 offers directory search applications built on a standard operating software environment.
- 2.7 **“Nortel Directory One Call Control”** - Allows bi-directional call control capability between the TOPS switch and the D1 network.
- 2.8 **“Electronic White Pages (EWP)”** - EWP allows telephone companies to offer fully customized electronic directory assistance services for all types of users.
- 2.9 **“Nortel Interactive Voice System (IVS)”** - Peripheral off the switch that provides interactive audio.
- 2.10 **“Nortel Multi Purpose Position (MP, MPX or MPX-IWS)”** - Operator Workstations.
- 2.11 **“Non-Published Number (NP)”** - A telephone number that at the request of the telephone subscriber, is neither published in a telephone directory nor provided by an Operator.
- 2.12 **“Operator Service Center (OSC)”** - Physical location of the Operators/workstations.
- 2.13 **“Published Number”** - A telephone number that is published in a telephone directory and is available upon request by calling an SBC-12STATE DA Operator.
- 2.14 **“Nortel Queue Management System (QMS)”** - Supports up to 255 unique queues on calls to operator positions.

- 2.15 “**Nortel Traffic Operating Position System (TOPS)**” - Performs base call processing functions and support service capabilities.
- 2.16 “**Nortel/IBM Protocol**” – Allows communication between Nortel Switch and IBM database.
- 2.17 “**IBM Platform**” – Offers directory search applications built on a standard operating software environment.

3. SERVICE

- 3.1 Direct Access allows CLECs access to **SBC-12STATE**’s Directory Assistance (DA) database (which includes residence, business, and government listings) for the sole purpose of providing DA to CLEC’s End User. This service shall allow the CLEC to obtain listed name, address, zip code and telephone numbers, except that access to non-published telephone numbers or other information that the customer has asked to make unavailable is not allowed, with the exception of customer name and address **SBC-12STATE** will provide CLECs nondiscriminatory access to the same directory listing information available to its own directory assistance operators.
- 3.2 Where technically feasible and/or available, CLEC may receive Direct Access from **SBC-12STATE**’s host switches via a CLEC Nortel DMS200 TOPS Host Switch, a LUCENT 5ESS OSPS switch or any other Operator assistance switch type with Call Processing Data Link (CDPL). CDPL is a proprietary, licensable interface that utilizes a standard format message protocol for transport of messages between Nortel Directory One Call Control and a switching entity. CPDL provides the protocol by which the CLEC switch may provide auto and offer DACC.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF **SBC-12STATE**

- 4.1 **SBC-12STATE** shall provide and maintain its own Directory Assistance platform equipment to furnish DA services to CLEC for all **SBC-12STATE** listings.
- 4.2 **SBC-12STATE** shall provide DA listings to CLEC from its current DA records and in accordance with **SBC-12STATE**’s methods, practices, and procedures.
- 4.3 **SBC-12STATE** shall provide CLEC access to the same listing information that is available to its own operators.
- 4.4 **SBC-12STATE** shall maintain the same level of system performance for CLEC as it provides to itself.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLEC

- 5.1 CLEC shall submit requests for Direct Access in writing to SBC-12STATE. Requests for Direct Access will be pursuant to the Bona Fide Request (BFR) Process as outlined in the attached procedures. The FCC ruled that OS/DA were not UNEs.
- 5.2 When CLEC utilizes a switch other than those specified in TR-BX.25, the CLEC must obtain CPDL/D1 certification of their switch from NORTEL. The CLEC shall bear all costs of obtaining any vendor certification including payment of any applicable vendor license fees. SBC-7STATE shall supply Nortel D1 hardware and software; i.e., two (2) ADAX cards per 9,000 Busy Hour calls. SBC-7STATE shall bear the cost of this hardware and software, but the CLEC will be responsible for Engineering, Furnish and Installation charges.
- 5.2.1 SBC-AMERITECH – The IBM RISC 6000 does not support the CDPL technology.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOTH PARTIES

- 6.1 The CLEC providing the circuit between CLEC's office and SBC-12STATE's office shall make such circuits available for use in connection with the DA services covered herein. When the total traffic exceeds the capability of the existing circuits, additional circuits will be provided by the CLEC.
- 6.2 Where applicable, if additional ADAX cards and ASN Routers (with sync and token ring cards) are necessary, they will be provided by SBC-12STATE, and CLEC will reimburse SBC-12STATE for the cost, plus Engineering, Furnish and Installation.

7. LIABILITY

- 7.1 The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions of the Agreement shall govern performance under this Appendix CLEC also agrees to release, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless SBC-12STATE from any claim, demand or suit that asserts any infringement or invasion of privacy or confidentiality of any person or persons caused or claimed to be caused, directly, or indirectly, by SBC-12STATE employees and equipment associated with provision of the DA Services. This provision includes but is not limited to suits arising from disclosure of the telephone number, address, or name associated with the telephone called or the telephone used to call the DA Services.

8. BILLING

- 8.1 SBC-12STATE shall bill through the appropriate SBC-12STATE regional Mechanized Bill Process.

9. USE OF SUBSCRIBER LISTING INFORMATION

- 9.1 CLEC is authorized to use the subscriber listing information accessed and provided pursuant to this Appendix for the sole purpose of providing local DA for its own End User customers.

10. ASSIGNMENT

- 10.1 The subscriber listing information accessed shall remain the property of **SBC-12STATE**. CLEC shall not download, store, print or otherwise extract the DA listing information made available through Direct Access nor shall the CLEC authorize any other company or any person to use any subscriber listing information for any purpose. Each party shall take appropriate measures to guard against any unauthorized use of the listings provided to it hereunder, whether by the other party, its agents or employees.

11. TERM OF CONTRACT AND RATE STRUCTURE

- 11.1 Upon CLEC's request, and pursuant to the terms and conditions herein, **SBC-12STATE** will set rates and other appropriate criteria for provision of Direct Access to CLEC pursuant to the BFR process.

- 11.2 The following types of rates shall apply to Direct Access.

11.2.1 Service Establishment

- 11.2.1.1 CLEC shall pay a Direct Access Service Establishment Charge (a non-recurring charge) applied at the time a CLEC orders Direct Access.

11.2.2 Direct Access Database Service

- 11.2.2.1 CLEC shall pay a monthly recurring charge for Direct Access Database Service which provides for database security and administration and ongoing support.

11.2.3 Direct Access Per Search

- 11.2.3.1 Where applicable, CLEC shall pay a Direct Access Per Search charge for each CLEC subscriber listing search queried from **SBC-12STATE**'s listing database.

12. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER RATES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 12.1 Every interconnection, service and network element provided hereunder, shall be subject to the applicable rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement. The parties recognize that provisions in the General Terms and Conditions apply to services, interconnections and network elements provided under individual appendices or attachments to this Agreement. The parties further agree that this acknowledgment that the General Terms and Conditions apply to individual appendices is not intended to and does not limit, condition or void a third party's rights under 47 U.S.C. Section 252(i) and is consistent with Applicable Law.