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Cincinnati Bell Petitions for Establishment of New Service Rate Elements

Pleading Cycle Established

COMMENTS: April 28, 1998

REPLY COMMENTS: May 13, 1998

On March 24, 1998, the Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company (CBT), filed a petition for the establishment of new service rate elements under Section 69.4(g)(1)(ii) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 69.4(g)(1)(ii). CBT requests permission to implement a services of Service Provider Number Portability (SPNP) Query Service rate elements patterned after those of another incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (LEC)¹ previously approved under the Commission's Part 69 procedures.

Pursuant to Section 69.4(g)(1)(ii) of the Commission's Rules, CBT seeks to establish the following usage sensitive rate elements, identical in all material aspects to those approved for Ameritech and Bell Atlantic:

(a) Prearranged End Office SPNP Query - applies to wireless and wireline N-1 telecommunications carriers who terminate traffic into CBT's network without the appropriate Local Routing Number (LRN) information, but have prearranged with CBT to make SPNP queries from CBT end offices on their behalf to secure the LRN for routing number in NNX codes that are portable;

(b) Prearranged Tandem SPNP Query - applies to wireless and wireline N-1 telecommunications carriers who terminate traffic into CBT's network without the appropriate LRN routing information, but have prearranged with CBT to make SPNP queries from CBT's Tandem office on their behalf to secure the LRN for routing numbers in NNX codes that are portable;

(c) Default end Office SPNP Query - applies to wireless and wireline N-1 telecommunications carriers who terminate traffic into CBT's network without the appropriate LRN routing information, but have not prearranged with CBT to make SPNP queries from CBT end offices on their behalf to secure the LRN for routing numbers in NNX codes that are portable;

(d) Default Tandem SPNP Query - applies to wireless and wireline N-1 telecommunications carriers who terminate traffic into CBT's network without the appropriate LRN routing information, but have not prearranged with CBT to make SPNP queries from CBT's Tandem office on their behalf to secure the LRN for routing numbers in the NNX codes that are portable; and

(e) SPNP Database Query - applies to wireless and wireline N-1 telecommunications carriers who make a number portability database query to CBT's number portability database, utilizing CBT's Common Channel Signaling Access Service as provided in Section 6 of CBT's Tariff F.C.C. No. 35.

¹Ameritech Corp. (Ameritech) and Bell Atlantic filed and had approved petitions under Section 69.4(g) to establish new access service tariff rate elements, intended to recover the costs of providing a SPNP Query Service to telecommunications carriers that do not provide their own database capabilities.

CBT states that the Commission established that LECs subject to Price Cap regulation could establish one or more new switched access rate elements for a new service providing that the establishment of the new rate elements would be in the public interest, or that another LEC had previously obtained permission to establish rate elements identical to those proposed in order to offer an identical service and that the original petition did not rely on a competitive showing as part of the public interest.

CBT asserts that they have demonstrated that the proposed new access service rate elements meet the Commission's requirements and request that the Commission approve the SPNP Query Rate Elements ten days after this petition has been placed on Public Notice.

Interested parties may file comments on the Cincinnati Bell petition no later than **April 28, 1998**. Replies must be filed by **May 13, 1998**. When filing comments and/or replies, please reference the internal file number: **CCB/CPD 98- 24**.

An original and four copies of all comments and replies must be filed in accordance with Section 1.51(c) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.51(c). In addition, one copy of each pleading must be filed with International Transcription Services (ITS), the Commission's duplicating contractor, at its office at 1231 - 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036 and one copy with the Chief, Competitive Pricing Division, Room 518, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

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