

CHAPTER 21. INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDERS

Subchapter A. GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS.

§21.1. Purpose and Scope.

- (a) **Purpose.** This chapter establishes procedures for approving interconnection agreements and resolving open issues pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (FTA) §252.
- (b) **Scope.**
 - (1) This chapter shall govern the initiation, conduct, and determination of dispute resolution proceedings, whether instituted by order of the commission, order of the presiding officer, or by request of a party.
 - (2) This chapter shall not be construed so as to enlarge, diminish, modify, or otherwise alter the jurisdiction, powers, or authority of the commission, commission staff, or the substantive rights of any person.
 - (3) To the extent that any provision of this chapter is in conflict with any statute or substantive rule of the commission, the statute or substantive rule shall control.