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## INTERCONNECTION OF CENTRAL OFFICE-IMPLEMENTED PAYPHONES

On September 20, 1996, the Commission adopted rules to promote competition among payphone service providers designed to facilitate widespread deployment of payphone services to the general public. See Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Dockets 96-128 and 91-35, Report and Order, FCC 96-388 (rel. September 20, 1996) (Order). In the Order, the Commission specifically amended its Part 68 rules to provide for registration of central-office-implemented coin payphones, to enable independent payphone providers to have the same choices as local exchange carriers (LECs) in providing payphone services.

Under Section 64.702(d)(2) of the Commission's rules, carriers are required to publish network disclosure statements, providing information on interconnection and operability requirements. 47 C.F.R. § 64.702(d)(2); Computer and Business Equipment Manufacturers Association Petition for Declaratory Ruling Regarding Section 64.702(d)(2) of the Commission's Rules, and the Policies of the Second Computer Inquiry, ENF-82-5, Report and Order, 93 FCC 2d 1226 (1983). Pursuant to this authority, parties desiring to interconnect payphones that use central office services may contact local exchange carriers to obtain interconnection and operability requirement information. Generally, a description of the electrical characteristics of the network interface for this service is contained in the Bellcore Technical Reference, TR-TSY-000456, Public Terminals Generic Requirements. To order a copy, please contact:

Bellcore Customer Service  
60 New England Avenue  
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For further information, contact Bill von Alven at (202) 418-2342, Common Carrier Bureau, Network Services Division.

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