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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)	
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Federal-State Joint Board on	)	CC Docket No. 96-45
Universal Service	)	
	)	
Forward-Looking Mechanism	)	CC Docket No. 97-160 ✓
for High Support for	)	
Non-Rural LECs	)	

**ORDER**

Adopted: August 7, 1998

Released: August 7, 1998

By the Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau:

1. In conjunction with the Commission's proceeding to select a forward-looking economic cost mechanism for determining the level of federal high cost support that eligible non-rural carriers will receive beginning July 1, 1999,<sup>1</sup> we request certain revenue information from non-rural local exchange carriers and holding companies.<sup>2</sup> By seeking additional data on revenues, we are not prejudging the outcome of issues raised on reconsideration of the *Universal Service Order* or the issues referred to the Joint Board, including whether the

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<sup>1</sup> Federal State Joint Board on Universal Service, *Report & Order*, CC Docket No. 96-45, 12 FCC Rcd 8776, 8899 paras. 224-25, (1997) (*Universal Service Order*), as corrected by Federal State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket 96-45, *Errata*, FCC 97-157 (rel. June 4, 1997), *appeal pending*, *Texas Office of Public Utility Counsel v. FCC*, No. 97-60421 (5th Cir. filed June 25, 1997); Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Forward-Looking Mechanism for High Cost Support for Non-Rural LECs, *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-160, 12 FCC Rcd 18,514 (rel. July 18, 1997) (*Further Notice*); Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, *Order and Order on Reconsideration*, CC Docket No. 96-45, FCC 98-160 (rel. July 17, 1998) (*Referral Order*).

<sup>2</sup> See *infra* para. 6.

Commission should reconsider its use of a revenue benchmark.<sup>3</sup> The requested information is necessary to enable the Commission to set, on a timely basis, accurate revenue benchmarks used under the *Universal Service Order* to determine the level of high cost support.

2. In the *Universal Service Order*, the Commission determined that the level of federal high cost support that eligible non-rural carriers will receive would be 25 percent of the difference between the estimated forward-looking economic cost of providing the supported services and a nationwide average revenue benchmark.<sup>4</sup> The Commission also determined that the revenue benchmark should be calculated using revenues derived from local service, access, and other telecommunications services, including discretionary services.<sup>5</sup> The Commission did not adopt a precise calculation of the revenue benchmark in the *Universal Service Order*, but stated that, based on 1994 data received in response to an earlier data request, "it appears that the benchmark for residential services should be approximately \$31 and for single-line businesses should be approximately \$51."<sup>6</sup>

3. In a Public Notice released May 4, 1998, the Common Carrier Bureau sought to augment the record on certain issues relating to the creation of the federal forward-looking economic cost mechanism.<sup>7</sup> With respect to the revenue benchmark, we sought comment generally on the amount of access revenues that should be included in the benchmark.<sup>8</sup> In addition, the Bureau sought comment on the appropriate amount of intraLATA toll revenue

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<sup>3</sup> See Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Report to Congress, CC Docket No. 96-45 (April 10, 1998) (*Report to Congress*) at para. 197 ("We are committed to issuing a reconsideration order in response to the petitions filed asking the Commission to reconsider the decision to fund 25 percent of the required support amount."); *Referral Order* at 3-4 (referring to the Joint Board certain issues including an "appropriate methodology for determining support amounts, including a method for distributing support among the states and, if applicable, the share of total support to be provided by federal mechanisms.")

<sup>4</sup> *Universal Service Order*, 12 FCC Rcd at 8925-8926 para. 270.

<sup>5</sup> *Id.*, 12 FCC Rcd at 8924 para. 267.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.* (citing Amendment of Part 36 of the Commission's Rules and Establishment of a Joint Board, *Order*, CC Docket 80-286, 9 FCC Rcd 7962 (Comm. Car. Bur. 1994) (*1994 Data Request*)).

<sup>7</sup> Common Carrier Bureau Requests Further Comment on Selected Issues Regarding the Forward-Looking Economic Cost Mechanism for Universal Service Support, Public Notice, DA 98-848 (rel. May 4, 1998) (*May 4 Public Notice*).

<sup>8</sup> *May 4 Public Notice* at 8-9.

that should be included in the revenue benchmark.<sup>9</sup> We also encouraged parties to provide further information about the revenues that are derived from services provided over the network that the universal service mechanism is designed to support.<sup>10</sup>

4. We find that, in addition to comments that we received in response to the *May 4 Public Notice*, specific information from non-rural local exchange carriers and holding companies is necessary to allow the Commission to calculate accurately the revenue benchmark that may be used to determine the level of federal high cost support. The Commission's suggested residential and business benchmarks of \$31 and \$51, respectively, were based on data that are four years old. In addition, the earlier data request did not ask local exchange carriers to differentiate among various revenue sources that would allow the Commission to deduct specific portions of access or toll revenue from the benchmark.

5. *Purpose of Data Request.* This data request is being issued to assist the Commission in implementing the forward-looking economic cost mechanism used to estimate the amount of universal service support that will be provided to eligible non-rural carriers beginning July 1, 1999.

6. *Carriers Subject to Data Request.* The following non-rural local exchange carriers and holding companies must respond to this data request:<sup>11</sup> Aliant Communications

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<sup>9</sup> *Id.*

<sup>10</sup> *Id.*

<sup>11</sup> In the *Universal Service Order*, the Commission determined that non-rural carriers will begin to receive support based on forward-looking economic cost on January 1, 1999. *Universal Service Order*, 12 FCC Rcd at 8889, 8927, paras. 203, 273. By non-rural carriers, we mean those carriers that do not meet the definition of a "rural telephone company" in section 3(37) of the Communications Act. 47 U.S.C. § 153(37). To the extent that a non-rural carrier meets the definition of a rural telephone company in certain of its study areas, we do not require submission of data with respect to those study areas. Section 3(37) provides that:

The term "rural telephone company" means a local exchange carrier operating entity to the extent that such entity --

(A) provides common carrier service to any local exchange carrier study area that does not include either --

(i) any incorporated place of 10,000 inhabitants or more, or any part thereof, based on the most recently available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; or

(ii) any territory, incorporated or unincorporated, included in an urbanized area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census as of August 10, 1993;

(B) provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than

Company, ALLTEL, Ameritech, Anchorage Telephone Utility, Bell Atlantic, BellSouth, Cincinnati Bell, Frontier Corporation, GTE, North State Telephone Company, Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Roseville Telephone Company, Southern New England, Southwestern Bell, U S West, and United Telephone System.

### FILING PROCEDURES

7. *Instructions for Data Request.* Respondents shall comply with this data request by responding to the questions in the attached spreadsheet using Excel software, version 7.0 or a prior version, and by providing other information in the format indicated in the data request. Respondents may obtain the attached spreadsheet from the Commission's web site at [http://www.fcc.gov/ccb/universal\\_service/highcost.html#determine](http://www.fcc.gov/ccb/universal_service/highcost.html#determine). Because responses will be electronically compiled into a consolidated database, respondents should not insert, delete, or move any rows, columns, or text other than those that are necessary for a complete response. "Not applicable" responses should be designated by entering "NA" in the appropriate data cell and must be explained on a separate sheet of paper.

8. *Confidential Information.* If a respondent considers that its response to any portion of this data request constitutes confidential commercial or financial information, the respondent should comply with section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and should observe the following procedure: the respondent should complete the entire data request with the exception of those specific responses that are considered confidential information. This expurgated version should be filed and distributed in accordance with section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and the instructions found in "Responses to Data Request," below. The respondent should then duplicate the filed computer disks and paper copies, add the confidential data, and return one full confidential copy to Bryan Clopton, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 2100 M Street, NW, Room 8625, Washington, DC 20554. Each confidential disk and paper copy must be clearly marked "Confidential." In addition, the confidential disks and paper copies must be accompanied by a completed copy of the "Designation of Confidential Information" form attached to these instructions. The "Designation of Confidential Information" form must be signed by an authorized corporate officer or agent, and must list by question number all of the data responses considered confidential commercial or financial information. For each such response, indicate the reason for withholding the information from public inspection, and the facts on which those reasons are based. Copies of the "Designation of Confidential Information" form must also be filed and distributed with the expurgated data response, in

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50,000 access lines;

(C) provides telephone exchange service to any local exchange carrier study area with fewer than 100,000 access lines; or

(D) has less than 15 percent of its access lines in communities of more than 50,000 on the date of enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

accordance with the instructions found in "Responses to Data Request," below.

9. *Public Reporting Burden.* We have estimated that each response to this collection of information will take, on average, 250 hours. Our estimate includes the time to read the instructions, look through existing records, gather and maintain the required data, and actually complete and review the form or response. If you have any comments on this estimate, or how we can improve the collection and reduce the burden it causes you, please write the Federal Communications Commission, AMD-PERM, Washington, D.C. 20554, Paperwork Reduction Project (3060-0842). We also will accept your comments via the Internet if you send them to [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov). Please **DO NOT SEND COMPLETED DATA REQUEST RESPONSES TO THIS ADDRESS.**

10. *OMB Approval.* Approved by OMB, 3060-0842, Expires 2/28/1999, Burden hour per respondent: 250 average. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the agency displays a currently valid control number.

11. *Questions.* Any questions regarding the data request or problems in completing it should be communicated to Katie King, 202-418-7400, [kking@fcc.gov](mailto:kking@fcc.gov).

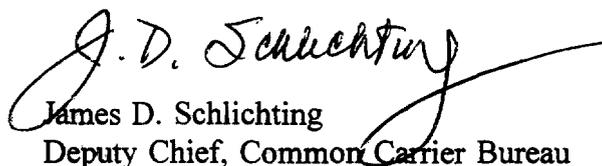
12. *Responses to Data Request.* Responses must be submitted on or before **October 6, 1998**. For a response to be complete, it must include a paper copy of the completed Excel spreadsheet and an electronic copy of the completed Excel spreadsheet on one or more 3.5" computer diskettes. Respondents should create a separate electronic file for each study area for each year requested and name each file so that the files can be identified and sorted by study area and year. A signed original and a complete paper copy of each respondent's response and one copy of information in the prescribed electronic format shall be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20554. Two complete paper copies, and two copies of information in the prescribed electronic formats, shall be transmitted to Sheryl Todd, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 2100 M Street, NW, Room 8611, Washington, DC 20554. One paper copy and one copy of information in the prescribed electronic format shall be transmitted to the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, 1231 20th Street, N.W., 8th floor, Washington, DC 20036.

#### ORDERING CLAUSE

13. Accordingly, pursuant to sections 5(c), 201-205, 220(c), 254 and 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 155(c), 201-205, 220(c), 254, and 403, and sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91 and 0.291, it is **HEREBY ORDERED** that Aliant Communications Company, ALLTEL, Ameritech,

Anchorage Telephone Utility, Bell Atlantic, BellSouth, Cincinnati Bell, Frontier Corporation, GTE, North State Telephone Company, Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Roseville Telephone Company, Southern New England, Southwestern Bell, U S West, and United Telephone System shall complete the attached Revenue Benchmark Data Request in the prescribed formats, and file their responses to the data request with the Commission by **October 6, 1998**.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

  
James D. Schlichting  
Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau

DESIGNATION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

I hereby certify that the information designated as confidential in the attached response(s) to the Revenue Benchmark Data Request is protected by \_\_\_\_\_ (name of company) as confidential or financial information:

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper, please list the responses designated confidential, by chart number and column letter, a statement of the reasons for withholding the information from the public record, and the facts on which those reasons are based.

Approved by OMB  
3060-0842  
Expires 2/28/1999  
Burden hour per respondent: 250 average.

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

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**Expires 02/28/1999**

**Estimated Average Burden Per Response: 250 Hours**

**Notice to Individuals:** Pursuant to Congress's directive in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 that the Commission establish support mechanisms to ensure the delivery of affordable telecommunication service to all Americans, the Commission determined on May 8, 1997 that universal service support for rural, insular, and high cost areas should be based on forward-looking economic costs. As part of the forward-looking economic cost methodology, the Commission determined that it would select two revenue benchmarks to calculate the amount of federal universal service support that eligible non-rural carriers should receive. The data request solicits information from non-rural local exchange carriers to calculate the revenue benchmarks that will determine the level of universal service support. Your response is mandatory. 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91 and 0.291.

This data request will be used to assist the Commission in implementing the forward-looking economic cost methodology used to estimate the amount of universal service support that will be provided to eligible non-rural carriers beginning July 1, 1999.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. The control number assigned to this collection is 3060-0842.

We have estimated that each response to this collection of information will take, on average, 250 hours. Our estimate includes the time to read the instructions, look through existing records, gather and maintain the required data, and actually complete and review the form or response. If you have any comments on this estimate, or how we can improve the collection and reduce the burden it causes you, please write the Federal Communications Commission, AMD-PERF, Washington, D.C. 20554, Paperwork Reduction Project (3060-0842). We also will accept your comments via the Internet if you send them to [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov). Please **DO NOT SEND COMPLETED RESPONSES TO THIS ADDRESS**.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I certify that I have been designated by the Company to attest to the accuracy of the information contained herein and that I have examined the foregoing and that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained in this report are an accurate statement of the affairs of the respondent with respect to the data and information set forth herein.

Printed Name:

Telephone Number:

Position:

Holding Company and Code:

Study Area and Code:

Signature:

Date:

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

### REVENUE BENCHMARK DATA REQUEST

We seek the following data to assist the Commission in developing residential and business revenue benchmarks for the federal methodology adopted in the *Universal Service Order* of May 8, 1997, that will help determine the level of high cost support non-rural carriers will receive beginning July 1, 1999. Because of the importance of the requested information in developing the revenue benchmarks, we ask that you perform a special study, in certain instances, if such a study is necessary to provide the specified information.

In Charts 1, 4, and 5 below, we ask for information about charges on the bills of your residential, single-line business, and multi-line business subscribers. Chart 1 asks for information for 1996, 1997, and the first quarter of 1998, broken down first by class of customer (residential, single-line business, and multi-line business), and then aggregated for all subscribers. Charts 4 and 5 ask for information only for the month of July 1998. In Charts 2 and 3, we ask for information about your interstate and intrastate switched access revenues for the month of July 1998.

#### Instructions:

- (1) Please use a different set of charts for each of your study areas.
- (2) Please note that we seek, whenever possible, only the revenues that you have billed, not the revenues that you have collected. Please indicate, in a footnote, if totals reflect booked, rather than billed, revenues.
- (3) Please note that we ask for total revenues from local service bills, including taxes and surcharges. If you do not include taxes in the calculation of total revenues from local service bills, do not include taxes in the total revenues from taxes and surcharges. Please indicate, in a footnote, if taxes are not included in the totals.
- (4) If you use footnotes, please explain the footnotes and identify the appropriate row and column on the page provided at the end of this document.
- (5) Please pay close attention to how we have defined terms, and contact Katie King or Bob Loube at 202-418-7400 if you have questions.
- (6) Please fill in only the shaded cells. Do not move or create cells, rows, or columns.
- (7) Note that some cells may be formatted to accept only responses provided in a certain format. Please comply with these constraints and do not adjust the formatting. **Unless otherwise specified, please enter numbers in thousands.** For example, please indicate five thousand dollars by entering only "5," rather than "5000." Do not include dollar signs, which will be added automatically, or digits after the decimal place, which will not be accepted in the cells. **Some cell headings, such as those for numbers of bills in Charts 4 and 5, will specify that whole numbers with all necessary digits should be entered.**
- (8) Note that we require you to file both paper and electronic copies of the completed spreadsheets. The paper copies must be signed on the previous page by an authorized representative of the company. Please see the filing procedures in the Order, DA-98-xxx, at paragraphs 7-12.
- (9) Responses to this data request are due **October 6, 1998.**

If you believe that your data should be withheld from the public file, please note that you must submit a request for confidential treatment of your data, consistent with section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, that includes your reasons for withholding your data, and facts upon which those reasons are based. 47 C.F.R. §47 0.459. Labeling disks or papers "Confidential" is not sufficient to request that your data be treated as confidential. Please see the filing procedures in the Order, DA 98-1576, at paragraph 8.

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

### CHART 1: SUBSCRIBER BILLS -- DATA FOR 1996, 1997, and the 1st Quarter of 1998

Please provide the following data:

For each class of subscribers bills (residential, single-line business, and multi-line business), please provide the total annual revenues for the years 1996 and 1997, and total quarterly revenues for the first quarter of 1998 received from the following sources: **local service bills** (including taxes and surcharges), as defined below; taxes and surcharges (separated out from local service bills); **intraLATA (or equivalent) toll charges for services provided by your company or an affiliate**; the total number of subscriber bills, and the average number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is charged. If taxes are not included in the total revenues from local service bills, do not include taxes in the total revenues from taxes and surcharges, and please indicate in a footnote and a separate document that taxes are not included in the totals. Please indicate, in a footnote, if totals reflect booked, rather than billed, revenues, and include a separate document indicating the revenues for which booked, rather than billed, revenues are provided.

A **local service bill** includes flat or recurring monthly charges, extended area service (EAS) charges, local usage charges (message and minute), local mileage and zone charges, federal and state subscriber line charges (SLCs), 911 charges, state universal service charges, and telecommunications relay services (TRS) charges, other mandatory charges, taxes and surcharges, second line charges, and charges for discretionary services. Please exclude from a local service bill charges carried over from previous months, connection charges, special construction charges, and deposits. Discretionary services include services such as touch-tone, call-waiting, call-forwarding, caller-ID, and other CLASS features, and exclude non-regulated services such as voice-mail, inside wiring, and yellow page ads.

For **Column B**, please calculate the average number of switched lines by taking the average of the following: the number of switched lines served for the class of subscribers on **December 31, 1995, March 31, 1996, June 30, 1996, September 30, 1996, and December 31, 1996**.

For **Column C**, please calculate the average number of switched lines in the same manner.

For **Column D**, please calculate the average number of switched lines by taking the average of the following: the number of switched lines served for the class of subscribers on **December 31, 1997** and the last day of each month in the first quarter of 1998.

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	A	B	C	D
		1996	1997	1st Q 1998
1	Total revenues from local service bills			
2	Total revenues from taxes and surcharges			
3	Total revenues from intraLATA toll charges			
4	Total number of local service bills			
5	Average number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is charged			
	A	B	C	D
		1996	1997	1st Q 1998
6	Total revenues from local service bills			
7	Total revenues from taxes and surcharges			
8	Total revenues from intraLATA toll charges			
9	Total number of local service bills			
10	Average number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is charged			
	A	B	C	D
		1996	1997	1st Q 1998
11	Total revenues from local service bills			
12	Total revenues from taxes and surcharges			
13	Total revenues from intraLATA toll charges			
14	Total number of local service bills			
15	Average number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is charged			
	A	B	C	D
		1996	1997	1st Q 1998
16	Total revenues from local service bills			
17	Total revenues from taxes and surcharges			
18	Total revenues from intraLATA toll charges			
19	Total number of local service bills			
20	Average number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is charged			

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

**CHART 2: INTERSTATE SWITCHED ACCESS REVENUES FOR JULY 1998**

For each class of customer (residential, single-line business, and multi-line business), please provide total interstate switched access revenues for July 1998 received through: flat-rated charges to interexchange carriers based on the number of presubscribed lines, i.e., presubscribed interexchange carrier charges (PICCs); per-minute charges, including common line, switching and transport charges that are recovered on the basis of a per-minute charge; and per-call charges. In addition, please provide the total interstate access revenues for July 1998 received through flat-rated carrier-to-carrier charges.

For July 1998, please undertake a special study, if necessary, to determine the total number of interstate switched originating and terminating access minutes. In addition to total interstate switched access minutes, determine the number of such minutes originated and terminated by each class of customer (residential, single-line business, and multi-line business). Also, please include the average number of residential, single-line business and multi-line business switched lines in service during the study period, where the average is calculated by taking the simple average of the number of lines in service at the beginning of the study period and the number of lines in service at the end of the period.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
21	Flat-rated charges to IXCs based on number of presubscribed lines					
22	Per-minute charges					
23	Per-call charges					
24	Other IXC carrier-to-carrier flat-rated charges (excluding special access and IXC flat-rated charges based on number of presubscribed lines)					
25	Originating Minutes					
26	Terminating Minutes					
27	Average Lines In Service					

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

**CHART 3: INTRASTATE SWITCHED ACCESS REVENUES FOR JULY 1998**

For each class of customer (residential, single-line business, and multi-line business), please provide total intrastate switched access revenues for July 1998 received through: flat-rated charges to interexchange carriers based on the number of presubscribed lines, such as, presubscribed interexchange carrier charges (PICCs); per-minute charges, including common line, switching and transport charges that are recovered on the basis of a per-minute charge; and per-call charges. In addition, please provide the total intrastate access revenues for July 1998 received through flat-rated carrier-to-carrier charges.

For July 1998, please undertake a special study, if necessary, to determine total number of intrastate switched originating and terminating access minutes. In addition to total intrastate switched access minutes, determine the number of such minutes originated and terminated by each class of customer (residential, single-line business, and multi-line business). Also, please include the average number of residential, single-line business and multi-line business switched lines in service during the study period, where the average is calculated by taking the simple average of the number of lines in service at the beginning of the study period and the number of lines in service at the end of the period.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
28	Flat-rated charges to IXCs based on number of presubscribed lines					
29	Per-minute charges					
30	Per-call charges					
31	Other IXC carrier-to-carrier flat-rated charges (excluding special access and IXC flat-rated charges based on number of presubscribed lines)					
32	Originating Minutes					
33	Terminating Minutes					
34	Average Lines In Service					

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

### CHART 4: SUBSCRIBER BILLS -- LOCAL SERVICE REVENUES FOR JULY 1998

For July 1998, please determine the category into which each residential, single-line business, and multi-line business subscriber bill falls based on the total local service charges on that subscriber bill. The categories specified in Column A correspond to the dollar amount for one local service bill. Please note that the dollar amount categories in Column A for multi-line business service bills are increased by a factor of ten.

A local service bill includes flat or recurring monthly charges, extended area service (EAS) charges, local usage charges (message and minute), local mileage and zone charges, federal and state subscriber line charges (SLCs), 911 charges, state universal service charges, and telecommunications relay services (TRS) charges, other mandatory charges, taxes and surcharges, second line charges, and charges for discretionary services. Please exclude from a local service bill charges carried over from previous months, connection charges, special construction charges, and deposits. Discretionary services include services such as touch-tone, call-waiting, call-forwarding, caller-ID, and other CLASS features, and exclude non-regulated services such as voice-mail, inside wiring, and yellow page ads.

In Column B, please specify the total number of residential subscriber bills in each category.

In Column C, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from flat monthly charges, extended area service charges, local usage charges, local mileage and zone charges, Federal and State SLCs, and second line charges.

In Column D, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from discretionary charges such as touch-tone, call-waiting, call-forwarding, caller-ID, and other CLASS features. Please exclude charges for non-regulated services such as voice-mail, inside wiring, and yellow page ads.

In Column E, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from taxes, surcharges, and other mandatory charges such as 911 charges, state universal service charges, and TRS charges. If taxes are not included in column F, do not include taxes in Column E, please indicate in a footnote and in a separate document that taxes are not included in the totals.

In Column F, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from local service charges (i.e., sum of columns C, D and E).

In Column G, please specify the total number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is collected for all residential subscriber bills in each category.

In Column H, please specify the total number of switched party lines for all residential subscriber bills in each category.

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CHART 4a. RESIDENTIAL SUBSCRIBER BILLS								
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
35	Less than \$ 10.00							
36	Greater than or equal to \$ 10.00 but less than \$ 20.00							
37	Greater than or equal to \$ 20.00 but less than \$ 30.00							
38	Greater than or equal to \$ 30.00 but less than \$ 40.00							
39	Greater than or equal to \$ 40.00 but less than \$ 50.00							
40	Greater than or equal to \$ 50.00 and less than \$ 100.00							
41	Greater than or equal to \$100.00							
42	Total							
CHART 4b. SINGLE-LINE BUSINESS SUBSCRIBER BILLS								
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	
43	Less than \$ 10.00							
44	Greater than or equal to \$ 10.00 but less than \$ 20.00							
45	Greater than or equal to \$ 20.00 but less than \$ 30.00							
46	Greater than or equal to \$ 30.00 but less than \$ 40.00							
47	Greater than or equal to \$ 40.00 but less than \$ 50.00							
48	Greater than or equal to \$ 50.00 and less than \$ 100.00							
49	Greater than or equal to \$100.00							
50	Total							

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CHART 4c. MULTI-LINE BUSINESS SUBSCRIBER BILLS							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
51	Less than \$ 100.00						
52	Greater than or equal to \$ 100.00 but less than \$ 200.00						
53	Greater than or equal to \$ 200.00 but less than \$ 300.00						
54	Greater than or equal to \$ 300.00 but less than \$ 400.00						
55	Greater than or equal to \$ 400.00 but less than \$ 500.00						
56	Greater than or equal to \$ 500.00 and less than \$ 1000.00						
57	Greater than or equal to \$1000.00						
58	Total						

## Revenue Benchmark Data Request

### **CHART 5: SUBSCRIBER BILLS -- LOCAL SERVICE AND INTRALATA TOLL REVENUES FOR JULY 1998**

For **July 1998**, please determine the category into which each **residential, single-line business, and multi-line business subscriber bill with intraLATA (or equivalent) toll charges** falls based on the total local service and intraLATA toll charges on that subscriber bill. The **categories** specified in **Column A** correspond to the dollar amount for one local service bill with intraLATA (or equivalent) toll charges. Please note that the dollar amount categories in Column A for multi-line business data are increased by a factor of ten. For the purposes of this data request, a total bill includes a local service bill, as defined above, and **amounts charged for services provided by your company, or an affiliate, for intraLATA (or equivalent) toll services**. (Do not include amounts collected on behalf of other telephone companies).

In **Column B**, please specify the total number of residential subscriber bills in each category.

In **Column C**, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from local service bills.

In **Column D**, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from intraLATA (or equivalent) toll services.

In **Column E**, please specify the total revenue received from all residential subscriber bills in each category from total bills for local service and intraLATA (or equivalent) toll services (i.e., sum of column C and column D).

In **Column F**, please specify the total number of switched lines for which a federal SLC is collected for all residential subscriber bills in each category.

In **Column G**, please specify the total number of switched party lines for all residential subscriber bills in each category.

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Chart 5a. Residential Subscriber Bills								
	A		B	C	D	E	F	G
59	Less than \$ 10.00							
60	Greater than or equal to \$ 10.00 but less than \$ 20.00							
61	Greater than or equal to \$ 20.00 but less than \$ 30.00							
62	Greater than or equal to \$ 30.00 but less than \$ 40.00							
63	Greater than or equal to \$ 40.00 but less than \$ 50.00							
64	Greater than or equal to \$ 50.00 and less than \$ 100.00							
65	Greater than or equal to \$100.00							
66	Total							
Chart 5b. Single-Line Business Subscriber Bills								
	A		B	C	D	E	F	
67	Less than \$ 10.00							
68	Greater than or equal to \$ 10.00 but less than \$ 20.00							
69	Greater than or equal to \$ 20.00 but less than \$ 30.00							
70	Greater than or equal to \$ 30.00 but less than \$ 40.00							
71	Greater than or equal to \$ 40.00 but less than \$ 50.00							
72	Greater than or equal to \$ 50.00 and less than \$ 100.00							
73	Greater than or equal to \$100.00							
74	Total							

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Chart 5c. Multi-Line Business Subscriber Bills							
	A		B	C	D	E	F
75	Less than \$ 100.00						
76	Greater than or equal to \$ 10.00 but less than \$ 20.00						
77	Greater than or equal to \$ 200.00 but less than \$ 300.00						
78	Greater than or equal to \$ 300.00 but less than \$ 400.00						
79	Greater than or equal to \$ 400.00 but less than \$ 500.00						
80	Greater than or equal to \$ 500.00 and less than \$ 1000.00						
81	Greater than or equal to \$1000.00						
82	Total						



