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Subject: RE: AT&T Mobility claim CCCNG007779 CCCNG007472 CCCNG008445 CCCNG008872

Fay,

As local interconnection facilities, the disputed circuits fall under the ICA between AT&T Mobility and Venture Communications. Appendix A, Section 5.0 of the ICA says that these interconnection facilities should be priced "based upon the lowest Telephone Company interstate or intrastate rate published in the Telephone Company's tariff or pricing catalog". Since the intrastate LECA tariff mirrors NECA, the circuits should be priced from the NECA interstate tariff. The NECA 5 interstate tariff does not have a termination or port charge for switched access facilities, so we believe that Venture should bill nothing (\$0) on these 4 T1's.

TEOCO discussed this issue with AT&T Mobility's legal group. They support the dispute position.

In the claim resolutions, Venture Communications has not addressed the language in the ICA that says interconnection facilities will be priced from the interstate or intrastate tariff. Does Venture Communications have a different interpretation of the Interconnection Agreement or some justification for the billing of the circuit at a trunk level from the General Services tariff?

Please reconsider the claims. As a reminder, Venture Communications has a legal obligation under the ICA to work diligently toward resolution of billing issues such as this.

Thanks, Cindi Dissett

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