#### **AMENDMENT NO.1**

#### TO THE

#### INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

### BETWEEN

#### VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., D/B/A VERIZON MASSACHUSETTS

#### AND

## **INETWORKS GROUP, INC.**

This Amendment No. 1 (this "Amendment") shall be deemed effective as of July 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 (the "Amendment Effective Date") by and between Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon"), a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York with offices at 185 Franklin Street, Boston, MA 02110, and iNetworks Group, Inc. ("iNetworks"), a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois, with offices at 125 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 2510, Chicago, IL 60606. (Verizon and iNetworks may be hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties"). This Amendment only covers the services addressed herein that Verizon provides in its operating territory in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Verizon and iNetworks are Parties to an interconnection agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") dated April 17, 2009 (the "Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, iNetworks has requested that the Parties amend the Agreement to address the matters set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Amendment to Agreement</u>. The Agreement is amended to incorporate the terms and conditions set forth in this Amendment (including, without limitation, Exhibit A attached hereto), all of which shall apply to and be a part of the Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Amended Agreement") notwithstanding any other term or condition of the Amended Agreement, a Verizon Tariff or a Verizon Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions ("SGAT").
  - 1.1 Section 2 of the Glossary of the Agreement is hereby amended by (a) deleting Section 2.51, the definition of "Wire Center" and (b) inserting the following definitions at the end thereto:
    - "2.51 Interconnection Wire Center.

A building or portion thereof which serves as the premises for one or more End Offices, Tandems and related facilities.

2.52 Central Office.

An End Office or Tandem. Sometimes this term is used to refer to a telephone company building in which switching systems and telephone equipment are installed.

2.53 CPN (Calling Party Number).

A CCS parameter that identifies the calling party's telephone number.

2.54 DS1 (Digital Signal Level 1).

The 1.544 Mbps first-level signal in the time-division multiplex hierarchy.

2.55 End Office.

A switching entity that is used for connecting lines to lines or lines to trunks for the purpose of originating/terminating calls. Sometimes this term is used to refer to a telephone company building in which switching systems and telephone equipment are installed.

2.57 Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement.

An arrangement that provides a Customer a local calling scope (Extended Area Service, "EAS"), outside of the Customer's basic exchange serving area. Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangements may be either optional or non-optional. "Optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement Traffic" is traffic that under an optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement chosen by the Customer terminates outside of the Customer's basic exchange serving area.

2.58 FCC Internet Orders.

The following FCC orders: (a) Order on Remand and Report and Order, In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP Bound Traffic, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98 and 99-68, 16 FCC Rcd 9151 (adopted April 18, 2001) (hereinafter the "April 18, 2001 FCC Internet Order"); and, (b) Order on Remand and Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, In the Matter of High-Cost Universal Service Support: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link Up; Universal Service Contribution Methodology; Numbering Resource Optimization; Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic; IP-Enabled Services, FCC 08-262, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 96-98, 99-68, 99-200, 01-92, WC Docket Nos. 03-109, 04-36, 05-337, 06-122 (adopted November 5, 2008) (hereinafter the "November 5, 2008 FCC Internet Order").

2.59 Information Access.

The provision of specialized exchange telecommunications services in connection with the origination, termination, transmission, switching, forwarding or routing of telecommunications traffic to or from the facilities of a provider of information services, including a provider of Internet access or Internet transmission services.

### 2.60 Measured Internet Traffic.

Dial-up, switched Internet Traffic either (a) originated by a Verizon Customer on Verizon's network at a point in a Verizon local calling area, and delivered to a Customer served by Reseller at a point in the same Verizon local calling area or (b) originated by a Customer served by Reseller at a point in a Verizon local calling area, and delivered to a Verizon Customer or an Internet Service Provider served by Verizon at a point in the same Verizon local calling area. Verizon local calling areas shall be as defined by Verizon. For the purposes of this definition, a Verizon local calling area includes a Verizon non-optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement, but does not include a Verizon optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement. Calls originated on a 1+ presubscription basis, or on a casual dialed (10XXX/101XXXX) basis, are not considered Measured Internet Traffic. For the avoidance of any doubt, Virtual Foreign Exchange Traffic (i.e., V/FX Traffic) (as defined in the Interconnection Attachment) does not constitute Measured Internet Traffic.

2.61 MECAB (Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing).

A document prepared by the Billing Committee of the Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF), which functions under the auspices of the Carrier Liaison Committee (CLC) of ATIS. The MECAB document, published by ATIS as "ATIS/OBF-MECAB", as revised from time to time, contains the recommended guidelines for the billing of an Exchange Access Service provided by two or more LECs, or by one LEC in two or more states, within a single LATA.

2.62 MECOD (Multiple Exchange Carriers Ordering and Design Guidelines for Access Services - Industry Support Interface).

A document developed by the Ordering/Provisioning Committee under the auspices of the Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF), which functions under the auspices of the Carrier Liaison Committee (CLC) of ATIS. The MECOD document, published by ATIS as "ATIS/OBF-MECOD", as revised from time to time, establishes methods for processing orders for Exchange Access Service that is to be provided by two or more LECs.

2.63 911/E-911 Service Provider.

An entity authorized to provide 911/E-911 network and database services within a particular jurisdiction.

2.64 Non-Revertive.

Where traffic is redirected to a protection line because of failure of a working line and the working line is repaired, traffic will remain on the protection line until there is either manual intervention or a failure of the protection line.

2.65 Originating Switched Access Detail Usage Data.

A category 1101XX record as defined in the EMI Telcordia Practice BR-010-200-010.

### 2.66 POI (Point of Interconnection).

The physical location where the Parties' respective facilities physically interconnect for the purpose of mutually exchanging their traffic. As set forth in the Interconnection Attachment, a Point of Interconnection shall be at (i) a technically feasible point on Verizon's network in a LATA and/or (ii) a fiber meet point to which the Parties mutually agree under the terms of this Agreement. By way of example, a technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA would include an applicable Verizon Tandem Interconnection Wire Center or Verizon End Office Interconnection Wire Center but, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or otherwise, would not include a iNetworks Interconnection Wire Center, iNetworks switch or any portion of a transport facility provided by Verizon to iNetworks or another party between (x) a Verizon Interconnection Wire Center or switch and (y) the Interconnection Wire Center or switch of iNetworks or another party.

2.67 Primary Reference Source.

Equipment that provides a timing signal to synchronize network elements.

2.68 Rate Center Point.

A specific geographic point, defined by a V&H coordinate, located within the Rate Center Area and used to measure distance for the purpose of billing for distance-sensitive Telephone Exchange Services and Toll Traffic. Pursuant to Telcordia Practice BR-795-100-100, the Rate Center Point may be an End Office location, or a "LEC Consortium Point of Interconnection".

## 2.69 Reciprocal Compensation.

The arrangement for recovering, in accordance with Section 251(b)(5) of the Act, the FCC Internet Orders, and other applicable FCC orders and FCC Regulations, costs incurred for the transport and termination of Reciprocal Compensation Traffic originating on one Party's network and terminating on the other Party's network (as set forth in Section 7 of the Interconnection Attachment).

## 2.70 Reciprocal Compensation Traffic.

Telecommunications traffic that is either (a) originated by a Verizon Customer on Verizon's network and terminated to a Customer served by Reseller, except for Telecommunications traffic that is interstate or intrastate Exchange Access, Information Access, or exchange services for Exchange Access or Information Access or (b) originated by a Customer served by Reseller and terminated to a Verizon Customer, except for Telecommunications traffic that is interstate or intrastate Exchange Access, Information Access, or exchange services for Exchange Access or Information Access, or exchange services for Exchange Access or Information Access. The determination of whether Telecommunications traffic is Exchange Access or Information Access shall be based upon Verizon's local calling areas as defined by Verizon. Reciprocal Compensation Traffic does not include the following traffic (it being understood that certain traffic types will fall into more than one (1) of the categories below that do not constitute Reciprocal Compensation Traffic): (1) any Internet Traffic; (2) traffic that does not originate and terminate within the same Verizon local calling area as defined by Verizon, and based on the actual originating and terminating points of the complete end-to-end communication; (3) Toll Traffic, including, but not limited to, calls originated on a 1+ presubscription basis, or on a casual dialed (10XXX/101XXXX) basis; (4) Optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement Traffic; (5) special access, private line, Frame Relay, ATM, or any other traffic that is not switched by the terminating Party; (6) Tandem Transit Traffic; (7) Voice Information Service Traffic (as defined in Section 5 of the Additional Services Attachment); or, (8) Virtual Foreign Exchange Traffic (or V/FX Traffic) (as defined in the Interconnection Attachment). For the purposes of this definition, a Verizon local calling area includes a Verizon non-optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement, but does not include a Verizon optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement.

2.71 Routing Point.

A specific geographic point identified by a specific V&H coordinate. The Routing Point is used to route inbound traffic to specified NPA-NXXs. The Routing Point must be located within the LATA in which the corresponding NPA-NXX is located. However, the Routing Point associated with each NPA-NXX need not be the same as the corresponding Rate Center Point, nor must it be located within the corresponding Rate Center Area, nor must there be a unique and separate Routing Point corresponding to each unique and separate Rate Center Area.

2.72 SS7 (Signaling System 7).

The common channel out-of-band signaling protocol developed by the Consultative Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). Verizon and iNetworks utilize this out-of-band signaling protocol in relation to their routing and completion of traffic.

2.73 Switched Exchange Access Service.

The offering of transmission and switching services for the purpose of the origination or termination of Toll Traffic. Switched Exchange Access Services include but may not be limited to: Feature Group A, Feature Group B, Feature Group D, 700 access, 800 access, 888 access and 900 access.

2.74 Terminating Switched Access Detail Usage Data.

A category 1101XX record as defined in the EMI Telcordia Practice BR-010-200-010.

2.75 Toll Traffic.

Traffic that is either (a) originated by a Verizon Customer on Verizon's network and terminates to a Customer served by Reseller and is not Reciprocal Compensation Traffic, Measured Internet Traffic, or Ancillary Traffic or (b) originated by a Customer served by Reseller and terminates to a Verizon Customer and is not Reciprocal Compensation Traffic, Measured Internet Traffic, or Ancillary Traffic. Toll Traffic may be either "IntraLATA Toll Traffic" or "InterLATA Toll Traffic", depending on whether the originating and terminating points are within the same LATA.

2.76 Traffic Factor 1.

For traffic exchanged via Interconnection Trunks, a percentage calculated by dividing the number of minutes of interstate traffic (excluding Measured Internet Traffic) by the total number of minutes of interstate and intrastate traffic. ([Interstate Traffic Total Minutes of Use {excluding Measured Internet Traffic Total Minutes of Use} ÷ {Interstate Traffic Total Minutes of Use + Intrastate Traffic Total Minutes of Use}] x 100). Until the form of a Party's bills is updated to use the term "Traffic Factor 1", the term "Traffic Factor 1" may be referred to on the Party's bills and in billing related communications as "Percent Interstate Usage" or "PIU".

2.77 Traffic Factor 2.

For traffic exchanged via Interconnection Trunks, a percentage calculated by dividing the combined total number of minutes of Reciprocal Compensation Traffic and Measured Internet Traffic by the combined total number of minutes of intrastate traffic and Measured Internet Traffic. ([{Reciprocal Compensation Traffic Total Minutes of Use + Measured Internet Traffic Total Minutes of Use} ÷ {Intrastate Traffic Total Minutes of Use}] x 100). Until the form of a Party's bills is updated to use the term "Traffic Factor 2", the term "Traffic Factor 2" may be referred to on the Party's bills and in billing related communications as "Percent Local Usage" or "PLU"."

- 1.2 The attached Interconnection Attachment, Collocation Attachment and 911 Attachment are each hereby made a part of the Agreement.
- 2. <u>Miscellaneous Provisions</u>.
  - 2.1 <u>Conflict between this Amendment and the Agreement</u>. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and conditions of the Agreement to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and conditions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Amendment and the terms and conditions of the Agreement, this Amendment shall govern; provided, however, that the fact that a term or condition appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this <u>Section 2</u>.
  - 2.2 <u>Capitalization</u>. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Amended Agreement.
  - 2.3 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
  - 2.4 <u>Captions</u>. The Parties acknowledge that the captions in this Amendment have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and in no way define or limit the scope or substance of any term or condition of this Amendment.

- 2.5 <u>Scope of Amendment</u>. This Amendment shall amend, modify and revise the Agreement only to the extent set forth expressly in this Amendment and, except to the extent expressly set forth in this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect after the Amendment Effective Date. For the avoidance of any doubt, nothing in this Amendment shall be deemed to amend or extend the term of the Amended Agreement, or to affect the right of a Party to exercise any right of termination it may have under the Amended Agreement.
- 2.6 <u>Joint Work Product</u>. The Parties acknowledge that this Amendment is the joint work product of the Parties, that, for convenience, this Amendment has been drafted in final form by Verizon and that, accordingly, in the event of ambiguities in this Amendment, no inferences shall be drawn for or against either Party on the basis of authorship of this Amendment.
- 2.7 <u>Amendments</u>. No amendments or modifications shall be made to this Amendment unless in writing and signed by appropriate representatives of the Parties.
- 2.8 <u>Waivers</u>. A failure or delay of either Party to enforce any of the provisions of this Amendment, or any right or remedy available under this Amendment, or at law or in equity, or to require performance of any of the provisions of this Amendment, or to exercise any option that is provided under this Amendment, shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provisions, rights, remedies or options.
- 2.9 <u>Definitions</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Agreement, this Amendment or any Verizon Tariff or SGAT, the following terms, as used in this Amendment, shall have the meanings set forth below:
  - 2.9.1 <u>Tariff</u>.
    - 2.9.1.1 Any applicable Federal or state tariff of a Party, as amended from time to time; or
    - 2.9.1.2 Any standard agreement or other document, as amended from time to time, that sets forth the generally available terms, conditions and prices under which a Party offers a Service.

The term "Tariff" does not include any Verizon Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT) which has been approved or is pending approval by the Commission pursuant to Section 252(f) of the Act. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed as of the Amendment Effective Date.

**INETWORKS GROUP, INC.** 

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## INTERCONNECTION ATTACHMENT

## 1. General

Each Party shall provide to the other Party, in accordance with this Agreement, but only to the extent required by Applicable Law, interconnection at (i) any technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA and/or (ii) a fiber meet point to which the Parties mutually agree under the terms of this Agreement, for the transmission and routing of Telephone Exchange Service and Exchange Access. By way of example, a technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA would include an applicable Verizon Tandem Interconnection Wire Center or Verizon End Office Interconnection Wire Center but, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or otherwise, would not include an iNetworks Interconnection Wire Center, Reseller Interconnection Wire Center, iNetworks switch, Reseller switch, or any portion of a transport facility provided by Verizon to iNetworks or another party between (x) a Verizon Interconnection Wire Center or switch and (y) the Interconnection Wire Center or switch of iNetworks or another party. For brevity's sake, the foregoing examples of locations that, respectively, are and are not "on Verizon's network" shall apply (and are hereby incorporated by reference) each time the term "on Verizon's network" is used in this Agreement.

## 2. Points of Interconnection and Trunk Types

- 2.1 Point(s) of Interconnection.
  - 2.1.1 Each Party, at its own expense, shall provide transport facilities to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA selected by iNetworks.
- 2.2 Trunk Types.
  - 2.2.1 In interconnecting their networks pursuant to this Attachment, the Parties will use, as appropriate, the following separate and distinct trunk groups:
    - 2.2.1.1 Interconnection Trunks for the transmission and routing of Reciprocal Compensation Traffic, translated LEC IntraLATA toll free service access code (e.g., 800/888/877) traffic, and IntraLATA Toll Traffic, between Verizon's Telephone Exchange Service Customers and the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Reseller, Tandem Transit Traffic, and, Measured Internet Traffic, all in accordance with Sections 5 through 8 of this Attachment;
    - 2.2.1.2 Access Toll Connecting Trunks for the transmission and routing of Exchange Access traffic, including translated InterLATA toll free service access code (e.g., 800/888/877) traffic, between the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers and purchasers of Switched Exchange Access Service via a Verizon access Tandem in accordance with Sections 9 through 11 of this Attachment; and
    - 2.2.1.3 Miscellaneous Trunk Groups as mutually agreed to by the Parties, including, but not limited to: (a) choke trunks for traffic congestion and testing; and, (b) untranslated

IntraLATA/InterLATA toll free service access code (e.g. 800/888/877) traffic.

- 2.2.2 Other types of trunk groups may be used by the Parties as provided in other Attachments to this Agreement (e.g., 911/E-911 Trunks) or in other separate agreements between the Parties (e.g., directory assistance trunks, operator services trunks, BLV/BLVI trunks or trunks for 500/555 traffic).
- 2.2.3 In accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Parties will deploy One-Way Interconnection Trunks (trunks with traffic going in one direction, including one-way trunks and uni-directional two-way trunks) and/or Two-Way Interconnection Trunks (trunks with traffic going in both directions).
- 2.2.4 iNetworks shall establish, at the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA, separate Interconnection Trunk group(s) between such POI(s) and each Verizon Tandem in a LATA with a subtending End Office(s) to which iNetworks originates calls for Verizon to terminate.
- 2.2.5 In the event the volume of traffic between a Verizon End Office and a technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA, which is carried by a Final Meet Point B Interconnection Trunk group, exceeds (a) the Centum Call Seconds (Hundred Call Seconds) busy hour equivalent of one (1) DS1 at any time; (b) 200,000 minutes of use for a single month; and/or; (c) 600 busy hour Centum Call Seconds (BHCCS) of use for a single month: (i) if One-Way Interconnection Trunks are used, the originating Party shall promptly establish new or augment existing Meet Point A One-Way Interconnection Trunk groups between the Verizon End Office and the technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network; or, (ii) if Two-Way Interconnection Trunks are used, iNetworks shall promptly submit an ASR to Verizon to establish new or augment existing Meet Point A Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group(s) between that Verizon End Office and the technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network.
- 2.2.6 Except as otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, the total number of Meet Point B Interconnection Trunks between a technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network and a Verizon Tandem will be limited to a maximum of 240 trunks. In the event that the volume of traffic between a technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network and a Verizon Tandem exceeds, or reasonably can be expected to exceed, the capacity of the 240 trunks, iNetworks shall promptly submit an ASR to Verizon to establish new or additional Meet Point A Trunks to insure that the volume of traffic between the technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network and the Verizon Tandem does not exceed the capacity of the 240 trunks.
- 2.3 One-Way Interconnection Trunks.
  - 2.3.1 Where the Parties use One-Way Interconnection Trunks for the delivery of traffic from iNetworks to Verizon, iNetworks, at iNetworks' own expense, shall:

- 2.3.1.1 provide its own facilities for delivery of the traffic to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA; and/or
- 2.3.1.2 obtain transport for delivery of the traffic to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA (a) from a third party, or, (b) if Verizon offers such transport pursuant to a Verizon access Tariff, from Verizon.
- 2.3.2 For each Tandem or End Office One-Way Interconnection Trunk group for delivery of traffic from iNetworks to Verizon with a utilization level of less than sixty percent (60%) for final trunk groups and eighty-five percent (85%) for high usage trunk groups, unless the Parties agree otherwise, iNetworks will promptly submit ASRs to disconnect a sufficient number of Interconnection Trunks to attain a utilization level of approximately sixty percent (60%) for all final trunk groups and eighty-five percent (85%) for all high usage trunk groups. In the event iNetworks fails to submit an ASR to disconnect One-Way Interconnection Trunks as required by this Section, Verizon may disconnect the excess Interconnection Trunks or bill (and iNetworks shall pay) for the excess Interconnection Trunks at the rates set forth in the Pricing Attachment.
- 2.3.3 Where the Parties use One-Way Interconnection Trunks for the delivery of traffic from Verizon to iNetworks, Verizon, at Verizon's own expense, shall provide its own facilities for delivery of the traffic to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA.
- 2.4 Two-Way Interconnection Trunks.
  - 2.4.1 Where the Parties use Two-Way Interconnection Trunks for the exchange of traffic between Verizon and iNetworks, iNetworks, at its own expense, shall:
    - 2.4.1.1 provide its own facilities to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA; and/or
    - 2.4.1.2 obtain transport to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA (a) from a third party, or, (b) if Verizon offers such transport pursuant to a Verizon access Tariff, from Verizon.
  - 2.4.2 Where the Parties use Two-Way Interconnection Trunks for the exchange of traffic between Verizon and iNetworks, Verizon, at its own expense, shall provide its own facilities to the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA.
  - 2.4.3 Prior to establishing any Two-Way Interconnection Trunks, iNetworks shall meet with Verizon to conduct a joint planning meeting ("Joint Planning Meeting"). At that Joint Planning Meeting, each Party shall provide to the other Party originating Centum Call Seconds (Hundred Call Seconds) information, and the Parties shall mutually agree on the appropriate initial number of Meet Point A and Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunks and the interface specifications at the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA at which the Parties interconnection for the exchange of traffic.

Where the Parties have agreed to convert existing One-Way Interconnection Trunks to Two-Way Interconnection Trunks, at the Joint Planning Meeting, the Parties shall also mutually agree on the conversion process and project intervals for conversion of such One-Way Interconnection Trunks to Two-Way Interconnection Trunks.

- 2.4.4 On a semi-annual basis, iNetworks shall submit a good faith forecast to Verizon of the number of Meet Point A and Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunks that iNetworks anticipates Verizon will need to provide during the ensuing two (2) year period for the exchange of traffic between iNetworks and Verizon. iNetworks' trunk forecasts shall conform to the Verizon CLEC trunk forecasting guidelines as in effect at that time.
- 2.4.5 The Parties shall meet (telephonically or in person) from time to time, as needed, to review data on Meet Point A and Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunks to determine the need for new trunk groups and to plan any necessary changes in the number of Two-Way Interconnection Trunks.
- 2.4.6 Two-Way Interconnection Trunks shall have SS7 Common Channel Signaling. The Parties agree to utilize B8ZS and Extended Super Frame (ESF) DS1 facilities, where available.
- 2.4.7 With respect to Meet Point A Two-Way Interconnection Trunks, both Parties shall use an economic Centum Call Seconds (Hundred Call Seconds) equal to five (5). Either Party may disconnect End Office Two-Way Interconnection Trunks that, based on reasonable engineering criteria and capacity constraints, are not warranted by the actual traffic volume experienced.
- 2.4.8 Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups that connect to a Verizon access Tandem shall be engineered using a design blocking objective of Neal-Wilkinson B.005 during the average time consistent busy hour. Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups that connect to a Verizon local Tandem shall be engineered using a design blocking objective of Neal-Wilkinson B.01 during the average time consistent busy hour. Verizon and iNetworks shall engineer Two-Way Interconnection Trunks using Telcordia Notes on the Networks SR 2275 (formerly known as BOC Notes on the LEC Networks SR-TSV-002275).
- 2.4.9 The performance standard for Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups shall be that no such Interconnection Trunk group will exceed its design blocking objective (B.005 or B.01, as applicable) for three (3) consecutive calendar traffic study months.
- 2.4.10 iNetworks shall determine and order the number of Two-Way Interconnection Trunks that are required to meet the applicable design blocking objective for all traffic carried on each Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group. iNetworks shall order Two-Way Interconnection Trunks by submitting ASRs to Verizon setting forth the number of Two-Way Interconnection Trunks to be installed and the requested installation dates within Verizon's effective standard intervals or negotiated intervals, as appropriate. iNetworks shall complete ASRs in accordance with OBF Guidelines as in effect from time to time.

- 2.4.11 Verizon may (but shall not be obligated to) monitor Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups using service results for the applicable design blocking objective. If Verizon observes blocking in excess of the applicable design objective on any Meet Point B (final) Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group and iNetworks has not notified Verizon that it has corrected such blocking, Verizon may submit to iNetworks a Trunk Group Service Request directing iNetworks to remedy the blocking. Upon receipt of a Trunk Group Service Request, iNetworks will complete an ASR to establish or augment the Meet Point A Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group(s), or, if mutually agreed, to augment the Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group with excessive blocking and submit the ASR to Verizon within five (5) Business Days.
- 2.4.12 The Parties will review all Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups that reach a utilization level of seventy percent (70%), or greater, to determine whether those groups should be augmented. iNetworks will promptly augment all Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups that reach a utilization level of eighty percent (80%) by submitting ASRs for additional trunks sufficient to attain a utilization level of approximately seventy percent (70%), unless the Parties agree that additional trunking is not required. For each Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group with a utilization level of less than sixty percent (60%), unless the Parties agree otherwise, iNetworks will promptly submit ASRs to disconnect a sufficient number of Interconnection Trunks to attain a utilization level of approximately sixty percent (60%) for each respective group, unless the Parties agree that the Two-Way Interconnection Trunks should not be disconnected. In the event iNetworks fails to submit an ASR for Two-Way Interconnection Trunks in conformance with this Section. Verizon may disconnect the excess Interconnection Trunks or bill (and iNetworks shall pay) for the excess Interconnection Trunks at the applicable Verizon rates.
- 2.4.13 Because Verizon will not be in control of when and how many Two-Way Interconnection Trunks are established between its network and iNetworks' network, Verizon's performance in connection with these Two-Way Interconnection Trunk groups shall not be subject to any performance measurements and remedies under this Agreement, and, except as otherwise required by Applicable Law, under any FCC or Commission approved carrier-to-carrier performance assurance guidelines or plan.
- 2.4.14 iNetworks will route its traffic to Verizon over the Meet Point A and Meet Point B Two-Way Interconnection Trunks in accordance with SR-TAP-000191, including but not limited to those standards requiring that a call from iNetworks to a Verizon End Office will first be routed to the Meet Point A Interconnection Trunk group between iNetworks and the Verizon End Office.

## 3. Alternative Interconnection Arrangements

- 3.1 Fiber Meet Arrangement Provisions.
  - 3.1.1 Each Party may request a Fiber Meet arrangement by providing written notice thereof to the other Party if each of the following conditions has been met: (a) the Parties have consistently been

exchanging an amount of applicable traffic (as set forth in Section 3.1.3 below) in the relevant exchanges equal to at least one (1) DS-3 and (b) neither iNetworks nor any of iNetworks' affiliates has an overdue balance on any bill rendered to iNetworks or iNetworks' affiliates for charges that are not subject to a good faith dispute. Any such Fiber Meet arrangement shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. In addition, the establishment of any Fiber Meet arrangement is expressly conditioned upon the Parties mutually agreeing to the technical specifications and requirements for such Fiber Meet arrangement including, but not limited to, the location of the Fiber Meet points, routing, equipment (e.g., specifications of Add/Drop Multiplexers, number of strands of fiber, etc.), software, ordering, provisioning, maintenance, repair, testing, augment and on any other technical specifications or requirements necessary to implement the Fiber Meet arrangement. For each Fiber Meet arrangement the Parties agree to implement, the Parties will complete and sign a Technical Specifications and Requirements document, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A to Section 3 of the Interconnection Attachment Fiber Meet Arrangement Provisions. Each such document will be treated as Confidential Information.

- 3.1.2 The Parties agree to consider the possibility of using existing fiber cable with spare capacity, where available, to implement any such request for a Fiber Meet arrangement. If existing fiber cable with spare capacity is not available, the Parties agree to minimize the construction and deployment of fiber cable necessary for any Fiber Meet arrangement to which they agree. Except as otherwise agreed by the Parties, any and all Fiber Meet points established between the Parties shall extend no further than three (3) miles from an applicable Verizon Tandem or End Office and Verizon shall not be required to construct or deploy more than five hundred (500) feet of fiber cable for a Fiber Meet arrangement.
- 3.1.3 A Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement may be used for the transmission and routing of only the following traffic types (over the Interconnection Trunks):
  - 3.1.3.1 Reciprocal Compensation Traffic between Verizon's Telephone Exchange Service Customers and the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers;
  - 3.1.3.2 Translated LEC IntraLATA toll free service access code (*e.g.*, 800/888/877) traffic between Verizon's Telephone Exchange Service Customers and the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers;
  - 3.1.3.3 IntraLATA Toll Traffic between Verizon's Telephone Exchange Service Customers and the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks Resellers;
  - 3.1.3.4 Tandem Transit Traffic; and
  - 3.1.3.5 Measured Internet Traffic.

To the extent that a Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement is used for the transmission and routing of traffic of the

types set forth in Sections 3.1.3.1 and/or 3.1.3.5, other than the obligation to pay intercarrier compensation charges pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, neither Party shall have any obligation to pay the other Party any charges in connection with any Fiber Meet arrangements established under this Agreement. To the extent that a Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement is used for the transmission and routing of traffic of the type set forth in Section 3.1.3.2, the transport and termination of such traffic shall be subject to the rates and charges set forth in the Agreement and applicable Tariffs. To the extent that a Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement is used for the transmission and routing of traffic of the type set forth in Section 3.1.3.3, the Party originating such traffic shall compensate the terminating Party for the transport and termination of such traffic at the rates and charges set forth in the Agreement and applicable Tariffs. To the extent that a Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement is used for the transmission and routing of traffic of the type set forth in Section 3.1.3.4, Verizon shall charge (and iNetworks shall pay) Verizon's applicable rates and charges as set forth in the Agreement and Verizon's applicable Tariffs, including transport charges to the terminating Verizon Tandem.

- 3.1.4 At iNetworks' written request, a Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement may be used for the transmission and routing of the following traffic types over the following trunk types:
  - 3.1.4.1 Operator services traffic from the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers to an operator services provider over operator services trunks;
  - 3.1.4.2 Directory assistance traffic from the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers to a directory assistance provider over directory assistance trunks;
  - 3.1.4.3 911 traffic from the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers to 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) over 911 trunks; and
  - 3.1.4.4 Jointly-provided Switched Exchange Access Service traffic, including translated InterLATA toll free service access code (e.g., 800/888/877) traffic, between the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Resellers and third-party purchasers of Switched Exchange Access Service via a Verizon access Tandem over Access Toll Connecting Trunks.

To the extent that a Fiber Meet arrangement established under this Agreement is used for the transmission and routing of any traffic of the types set forth in this Section 3.1.4 Verizon may bill (and iNetworks shall pay) Verizon's applicable Tariff rates and charges. Except as otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties or as expressly set forth in Sections 3.1.3 and/or 3.1.4 of this Interconnection Attachment, access services (switched and unswitched) and unbundled network elements shall not be provisioned on or accessed through Fiber Meet arrangements.

3.1.5 iNetworks will include traffic to be exchanged over Fiber Meet arrangements in its forecasts provided to Verizon under the Agreement.

## 4. Initiating Interconnection

- 4.1 If iNetworks determines to offer Telephone Exchange Services and to interconnect with Verizon in any LATA in which Verizon also offers Telephone Exchange Services and in which the Parties are not already interconnected pursuant to this Agreement, iNetworks shall provide written notice to Verizon of the need to establish Interconnection in such LATA pursuant to this Agreement.
- 4.2 The notice provided in Section 4.1 of this Attachment shall include (a) the initial Routing Point(s); (b) the applicable technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network to be established in the relevant LATA in accordance with this Agreement; (c) iNetworks' intended Interconnection activation date; (d) a forecast of iNetworks' trunking requirements conforming to Section 14.2 of this Attachment; and (e) such other information as Verizon shall reasonably request in order to facilitate Interconnection.
- 4.3 The interconnection activation date in the new LATA shall be mutually agreed to by the Parties after receipt by Verizon of all necessary information as indicated above. Within ten (10) Business Days of Verizon's receipt of iNetworks' notice provided for in Section 4.1of this Attachment, Verizon and iNetworks shall confirm the technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network in the new LATA and the mutually agreed upon Interconnection activation date for the new LATA.

## 5. Transmission and Routing of Telephone Exchange Service Traffic

5.1 Scope of Traffic.

Section 5 prescribes parameters for Interconnection Trunks used for Interconnection pursuant to Sections 2 through 4 of this Attachment.

- 5.2 Trunk Group Connections and Ordering.
  - 5.2.1 For both One-Way and Two-Way Interconnection Trunks, if iNetworks wishes to use a technically feasible interface other than a DS1 or a DS3 facility at the POI, the Parties shall negotiate reasonable terms and conditions (including, without limitation, rates and implementation timeframes) for such arrangement; and, if the Parties cannot agree to such terms and conditions (including, without limitation, rates and implementation timeframes), either Party may utilize the Agreement's dispute resolution procedures.
  - 5.2.2 When One-Way or Two-Way Interconnection Trunks are provisioned using a DS3 interface facility, if iNetworks orders the multiplexed DS3 facilities to a Verizon Central Office that is not designated in the NECA 4 Tariff as the appropriate Intermediate Hub location (i.e., the Intermediate Hub location in the appropriate Tandem subtending area based on the LERG), and the provision of such facilities to the subject Central Office is technically feasible, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith reasonable terms and conditions (including, without limitation, rates and implementation timeframes) for such arrangement; and, if the Parties cannot agree to such terms and conditions (including, without limitation, rates and implementation

timeframes), either Party may utilize the Agreement's dispute resolution procedures.

- 5.2.3 Each Party will identify its Carrier Identification Code, a three or four digit numeric code obtained from Telcordia, to the other Party when ordering a trunk group.
- 5.2.4 For multi-frequency (MF) signaling each Party will out pulse ten (10) digits to the other Party, unless the Parties mutually agree otherwise.
- 5.2.5 Each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to monitor trunk groups under its control and to augment those groups using generally accepted trunk-engineering standards so as to not exceed blocking objectives. Each Party agrees to use modular trunk-engineering techniques for trunks subject to this Attachment.
- 5.3 Switching System Hierarchy and Trunking Requirements.

For purposes of routing iNetworks traffic to Verizon, the subtending arrangements between Verizon Tandems and Verizon End Offices shall be the same as the Tandem/End Office subtending arrangements Verizon maintains for the routing of its own or other carriers' traffic (i.e., traffic will be routed to the appropriate Verizon Tandem subtended by the terminating End Office serving the Verizon Customer). For purposes of routing Verizon traffic to iNetworks, the subtending arrangements between iNetworks Tandems and iNetworks End Offices shall be the same as the Tandem/End Office subtending arrangements that iNetworks maintains for the routing of its own or other carriers' traffic.

5.4 Signaling.

Each Party will provide the other Party with access to its databases and associated signaling necessary for the routing and completion of the other Party's traffic in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and any applicable Tariff.

5.5 Grades of Service.

The Parties shall initially engineer and shall monitor and augment all trunk groups consistent with the Joint Process as set forth in Section 14.1 of this Attachment.

## 6. Traffic Measurement and Billing over Interconnection Trunks

- 6.1 For billing purposes, each Party shall pass Calling Party Number (CPN) information on at least ninety-five percent (95%) of calls carried over the Interconnection Trunks.
  - 6.1.1 As used in this Section 6, "Traffic Rate" means the applicable Reciprocal Compensation Traffic rate, Measured Internet Traffic rate, intrastate Switched Exchange Access Service rate, interstate Switched Exchange Access Service rate, or intrastate/interstate Tandem Transit Traffic rate, as provided in the Pricing Attachment, an applicable Tariff, or, for Measured Internet Traffic, the FCC Internet Orders.
  - 6.1.2 If the originating Party passes CPN on ninety-five percent (95%) or more of its calls, the receiving Party shall bill the originating Party the Traffic Rate applicable to each relevant minute of traffic for which CPN

is passed. For any remaining (up to 5%) calls without CPN information, the receiving Party shall bill the originating Party for such traffic at the Traffic Rate applicable to each relevant minute of traffic, in direct proportion to the minutes of use of calls passed with CPN information.

- 6.1.3 If the originating Party passes CPN on less than ninety-five percent (95%) of its calls and the originating Party chooses to combine Reciprocal Compensation Traffic and Toll Traffic on the same trunk group, the receiving Party shall bill the higher of its interstate Switched Exchange Access Service rates or its intrastate Switched Exchange Access Services rates for all traffic that is passed without CPN, unless the Parties agree that other rates should apply to such traffic.
- 6.2 At such time as a receiving Party has the capability, on an automated basis, to use such CPN to classify traffic delivered over Interconnection Trunks by the other Party by Traffic Rate type (e.g., Reciprocal Compensation Traffic/Measured Internet Traffic, intrastate Switched Exchange Access Service, interstate Switched Exchange Access Service, or intrastate/interstate Tandem Transit Traffic), such receiving Party shall bill the originating Party the Traffic Rate applicable to each relevant minute of traffic for which CPN is passed. If the receiving Party lacks the capability, on an automated basis, to use CPN information on an automated basis to classify traffic delivered by the other Party by Traffic Rate type, the originating Party will supply Traffic Factor 1 and Traffic Factor 2. The Traffic Factors shall be supplied in writing by the originating Party within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date and shall be updated in writing by the originating Party quarterly. Measurement of billing minutes for purposes of determining terminating compensation shall be in conversation seconds (the time in seconds that the Parties equipment is used for a completed call, measured from the receipt of answer supervision to the receipt of disconnect supervision). Measurement of billing minutes for originating toll free service access code (e.g., 800/888/877) calls shall be in accordance with applicable Tariffs. Determination as to whether traffic is Reciprocal Compensation Traffic or Measured Internet Traffic shall be made in accordance with Paragraphs 8 and 79, and other applicable provisions, of the April 18, 2001 FCC Internet Order (including, but not limited to, in accordance with the rebuttable presumption established by the April 18. 2001 FCC Internet Order that traffic delivered to a carrier that exceeds a 3:1 ratio of terminating to originating traffic is Measured Internet Traffic, and in accordance with the process established by the April 18, 2001 FCC Internet Order for rebutting such presumption before the Commission), as modified by the November 5, 2008 FCC Internet Order and other applicable FCC orders and FCC Regulations.
- 6.3 Each Party reserves the right to audit all Traffic, up to a maximum of two audits per Calendar Year, to ensure that rates are being applied appropriately; provided, however, that either Party shall have the right to conduct additional audit(s) if the preceding audit disclosed material errors or discrepancies. Each Party agrees to provide the necessary Traffic data in conjunction with any such audit in a timely manner.
- 6.4 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit Verizon's ability to designate the areas within which Verizon's Customers may make calls which Verizon rates as "local" in its Customer Tariffs.
- 6.5 If and, to the extent that, a iNetworks Reseller Customer receives V/FX Traffic, iNetworks shall promptly provide notice thereof to Verizon (such notice to include, without limitation, the specific telephone number(s) that such Customer

uses for V/FX Traffic, as well as the LATA in which such Customer's station is actually physically located) and shall not bill Verizon Reciprocal Compensation, intercarrier compensation or any other charges for calls placed by Verizon's Customers to such iNetworks Reseller Customers.

## 7. Reciprocal Compensation Arrangements Pursuant to Section 251(b)(5) of the Act

7.1 Reciprocal Compensation.

The Parties shall exchange Reciprocal Compensation Traffic at the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA designated in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The Party originating Reciprocal Compensation Traffic shall compensate the terminating Party for the transport and termination of such traffic to the terminating Party's Customer, in the case of Verizon, or the terminating Party's Reseller Customer, in the case of iNetworks, in accordance with Section 251(b)(5) of the Act at the equal and symmetrical rates stated in the Pricing Attachment; it being understood and agreed that Verizon shall charge (and iNetworks shall pay Verizon) the End Office Reciprocal Compensation rate set forth in the Pricing Attachment for Reciprocal Compensation Traffic iNetworks physically delivers to a POI at the Verizon Interconnection Wire Center in which the terminating Verizon End Office is located. and otherwise that Verizon shall charge (iNetworks shall pay Verizon) the Tandem Reciprocal Compensation rate set forth in the Pricing Attachment for Reciprocal Compensation Traffic iNetworks delivers to Verizon: it also being understood and agreed that iNetworks shall charge (and Verizon shall pay iNetworks) the End Office Reciprocal Compensation rate set forth in the Pricing Attachment for Reciprocal Compensation Traffic Verizon delivers to iNetworks. These rates are to be applied at the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA at which the Parties interconnect, whether such traffic is delivered by Verizon for termination by iNetworks, or delivered by iNetworks for termination by Verizon. No additional charges shall be assessed by the terminating Party for the transport and termination of such traffic from the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA to the terminating Party's Customer, in the case of Verizon, or the terminating Party's Reseller Customer, in the case of iNetworks: provided, however, for the avoidance of any doubt, iNetworks shall also pay Verizon, at the rates set forth in the Pricing Attachment, for any multiplexing, cross connects or other collocation related Services that iNetworks obtains from Verizon. When Toll Traffic is delivered over the same Interconnection Trunks as Reciprocal Compensation Traffic, any port, transport or other applicable access charges related to the delivery of Toll Traffic from the technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA to the terminating Party's Customer, in the case of Verizon, or the terminating Party's Reseller Customer, in the case of iNetworks, shall be prorated so as to apply only to the Toll Traffic. The designation of traffic as Reciprocal Compensation Traffic for purposes of Reciprocal Compensation shall be based on the actual originating and terminating points of the complete end-to-end communication.

- 7.2 Traffic Not Subject to Reciprocal Compensation.
  - 7.2.1 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to interstate or intrastate Exchange Access (including, without limitation, Virtual Foreign Exchange Traffic (i.e., V/FX Traffic), Information Access, or exchange services for Exchange Access or Information Access.

- 7.2.2 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Internet Traffic.
- 7.2.3 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Toll Traffic, including, but not limited to, calls originated on a 1+ presubscription basis, or on a casual dialed (10XXX/101XXXX) basis.
- 7.2.4 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Optional Extended Local Calling Scope Arrangement Traffic.
- 7.2.5 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to special access, private line, or any other traffic that is not switched by the terminating Party.
- 7.2.6 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Tandem Transit Traffic.
- 7.2.7 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Voice Information Service Traffic (as defined in Section 5 of the Additional Services Attachment).
- 7.2.8 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to traffic that is not subject to Reciprocal Compensation under Section 251(b)(5) of the Act.
- 7.2.9 Reciprocal Compensation shall not apply to Virtual Foreign Exchange Traffic (i.e., V/FX Traffic). As used in this Agreement, "Virtual Foreign Exchange Traffic" or "V/FX Traffic" is defined as calls in which a iNetworks Reseller Customer is assigned a telephone number with an NXX Code (as set forth in the LERG) associated with an exchange that is different than the exchange (as set forth in the LERG) associated with the actual physical location of such Reseller Customer's station. For the avoidance of any doubt, iNetworks shall pay Verizon's originating access charges for all V/FX Traffic originated by a Verizon Customer, and iNetworks shall pay Verizon's terminating access charges for all V/FX Traffic originated by a iNetworks Reseller Customer.
- 7.3 The Reciprocal Compensation rates (including, but not limited to, the Reciprocal Compensation per minute of use charges) billed by iNetworks to Verizon shall not exceed the Reciprocal Compensation rates (including, but not limited to, Reciprocal Compensation per minute of use charges) billed by Verizon to iNetworks.

# 8. Other Types of Traffic

- 8.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any Tariff: (a) the Parties' rights and obligations with respect to any intercarrier compensation that may be due in connection with their exchange of Internet Traffic shall be governed by the terms of the FCC Internet Orders and other applicable FCC orders and FCC Regulations; and, (b) a Party shall not be obligated to pay any intercarrier compensation for Internet Traffic that is in excess of the intercarrier compensation for Internet Traffic that such Party is required to pay under the FCC Internet Orders and other applicable FCC orders and FCC Regulations.
- 8.2 Subject to Section 8.1 of this Attachment, interstate and intrastate Exchange Access, Information Access, exchange services for Exchange Access or Information Access, and Toll Traffic, shall be governed by the applicable provisions of this Agreement and applicable Tariffs.
- 8.3 For any traffic originating with a third party carrier and delivered by iNetworks to Verizon, iNetworks shall pay Verizon the same amount that such third party

carrier would have been obligated to pay Verizon for termination of that traffic at the location the traffic is delivered to Verizon by iNetworks.

- 8.4 Any traffic not specifically addressed in this Agreement shall be treated as required by the applicable Tariff of the Party transporting and/or terminating the traffic.
- 8.5 The Parties may also exchange Internet Traffic at the technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA established hereunder for the exchange of Reciprocal Compensation Traffic. Any intercarrier compensation that may be due in connection with the Parties' exchange of Internet Traffic shall be applied at such technically feasible Point of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA in accordance with the FCC Internet Orders and other applicable FCC orders and FCC Regulations.

## 9. Transmission and Routing of Exchange Access Traffic

9.1 Scope of Traffic.

Section 9 prescribes parameters for certain trunks to be established over the Interconnections specified in Sections 2 through 5 of this Attachment for the transmission and routing of traffic between the Telephone Exchange Service Customers of iNetworks' Reseller and Interexchange Carriers ("Access Toll Connecting Trunks"), in any case where iNetworks elects to have its End Office Switch subtend a Verizon Tandem. This includes casually-dialed (1010XXX and 101XXXX) traffic.

- 9.2 Access Toll Connecting Trunk Group Architecture.
  - 9.2.1 If iNetworks chooses to subtend a Verizon access Tandem, iNetworks' NPA/NXX must be assigned by iNetworks to subtend the same Verizon access Tandem that a Verizon NPA/NXX serving the same Rate Center Area subtends as identified in the LERG.
  - 9.2.2 iNetworks shall establish Access Toll Connecting Trunks pursuant to applicable access Tariffs by which it will provide Switched Exchange Access Services to Interexchange Carriers to enable such Interexchange Carriers to originate and terminate traffic to and from iNetworks' Reseller Customers.
  - 9.2.3 The Access Toll Connecting Trunks shall be two-way trunks. Such trunks shall connect the End Office iNetworks utilizes to provide Telephone Exchange Service and Switched Exchange Access to its Reseller Customers in a given LATA to the access Tandem(s) Verizon utilizes to provide Exchange Access in such LATA.
  - 9.2.4 Access Toll Connecting Trunks shall be used solely for the transmission and routing of Exchange Access to allow iNetworks' Reseller Customers to connect to or be connected to the interexchange trunks of any Interexchange Carrier which is connected to a Verizon access Tandem.

## 10. Meet-Point Billing (MPB) Arrangements

10.1 iNetworks and Verizon will establish MPB arrangements in order to provide a common transport option to Switched Exchange Access Services customers via a Verizon access Tandem Switch in accordance with the MPB guidelines

contained in the OBF's MECAB and MECOD documents, except as modified herein, and in Verizon's applicable Tariffs. The arrangements described in this Section 10 are intended to be used to provide Switched Exchange Access Service where the transport component of the Switched Exchange Access Service is routed through an access Tandem Switch that is provided by Verizon.

- 10.2 In each LATA, the Parties shall establish MPB arrangements for the applicable iNetworks Routing Point/Verizon Serving Interconnection Wire Center combinations.
- 10.3 Interconnection for the MPB arrangement shall occur at each of the Verizon access Tandems in the LATA, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- 10.4 iNetworks and Verizon will use reasonable efforts, individually and collectively, to maintain provisions in their respective state access Tariffs, and/or provisions within the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff No. 4, or any successor Tariff sufficient to reflect the MPB arrangements established pursuant to this Agreement.
- 10.5 In general, there are four alternative MPB arrangements possible, which are: Single Bill/Single Tariff, Multiple Bill/Single Tariff, Multiple Bill/Multiple Tariff, and Single Bill/Multiple Tariff, as outlined in the OBF MECAB Guidelines.

Each Party shall implement the "Multiple Bill/Single Tariff" or "Multiple Bill/Multiple Tariff" option, as appropriate, in order to bill an IXC for the portion of the MPB arrangement provided by that Party. Alternatively, in former Bell Atlantic service areas, upon agreement of the Parties, each Party may use the New York State Access Pool on its behalf to implement the Single Bill/Multiple Tariff or Single Bill/Single Tariff option, as appropriate, in order to bill an IXC for the portion of the MPB arrangement provided by that Party.

- 10.6 The rates to be billed by each Party for the portion of the MPB arrangement provided by it shall be as set forth in that Party's applicable Tariffs, or other document that contains the terms under which that Party's access services are offered. For each iNetworks Routing Point/Verizon Serving Interconnection Wire Center combination, the MPB billing percentages for transport between the iNetworks Routing Point and the Verizon Serving Interconnection Wire Center shall be calculated in accordance with the formula set forth in Section 10.17 of this Attachment.
- 10.7 Each Party shall provide the other Party with the billing name, billing address, and Carrier Identification Code (CIC) of the IXC, and identification of the Verizon Interconnection Wire Center serving the IXC in order to comply with the MPB notification process as outlined in the MECAB document.
- 10.8 Verizon shall provide iNetworks with the Terminating Switched Access Detail Usage Data (EMI category 1101XX records) recorded at the Verizon access Tandem on cartridge or via such other media as the Parties may agree to, no later than ten (10) Business Days after the date the usage occurred.
- 10.9 iNetworks shall provide Verizon with the Originating Switched Access Detail Usage Data (EMI category 1101XX records) on cartridge or via such other media as the Parties may agree, no later than ten (10) Business Days after the date the usage occurred.
- 10.10 All usage data to be provided pursuant to Sections 10.8 and 10.9 of this Attachment shall be sent to the following addresses:

To iNetworks:

iNetworks Group, Inc. Billing 125 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 2510 Chicago, IL 60606 Internet Address: <u>Billing@ingts.com</u>

For Verizon:

Verizon Data Services ATTN: MPB 1 East Telecom Parkway Dock D Temple Terrace, FL 33637

Either Party may change its address for receiving usage data by notifying the other Party in writing pursuant to Section 29 of the General Terms and Conditions.

- 10.11 iNetworks and Verizon shall coordinate and exchange the billing account reference (BAR) and billing account cross reference (BACR) numbers or Operating Company Number ("OCN"), as appropriate, for the MPB arrangements described in this Section 10. Each Party shall notify the other if the level of billing or other BAR/BACR elements change, resulting in a new BAR/BACR number, or if the OCN changes.
- 10.12 Each Party agrees to provide the other Party with notification of any errors it discovers in MPB data within thirty (30) calendar days of the receipt of the original data. The other Party shall attempt to correct the error and resubmit the data within ten (10) Business Days of the notification. In the event the errors cannot be corrected within such ten- (10) Business-Day period, the erroneous data will be considered lost. In the event of a loss of data, whether due to uncorrectable errors or otherwise, both Parties shall cooperate to reconstruct the lost data and, if such reconstruction is not possible, shall accept a reasonable estimate of the lost data based upon prior usage data.
- 10.13 Either Party may request a review or audit of the various components of access recording up to a maximum of two (2) audits per calendar year. All costs associated with each review and audit shall be borne by the requesting Party. Such review or audit shall be conducted subject to Section 7 of the General Terms and Conditions and during regular business hours. A Party may conduct additional audits, at its expense, upon the other Party's consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 10.14 Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, nothing contained in this Section 10 shall create any liability for damages, losses, claims, costs, injuries, expenses or other liabilities whatsoever on the part of either Party.
- 10.15 MPB will apply for all traffic bearing the 500, 900, toll free service access code (e.g. 800/888/877) (to the extent provided by an IXC) or any other non-geographic NPA which may be designated for such traffic in the future.
- 10.16 In the event iNetworks determines to offer Telephone Exchange Services in a LATA in which Verizon operates an access Tandem Switch, Verizon shall permit and enable iNetworks to subtend the Verizon access Tandem Switch(es)

designated for the Verizon End Offices in the area where there are located iNetworks Routing Point(s) associated with the NPA NXX(s) to/from which the Switched Exchange Access Services are homed.

10.17 Except as otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties, the MPB billing percentages for each Routing Point/Verizon Serving Interconnection Wire Center combination shall be calculated according to the following formula, unless as mutually agreed to by the Parties:

a / (a + b) =	iNetworks Billing Percentage
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and

b / (a + b) = Verizon Billing Percentage

where:

a = the airline mileage between iNetworks Routing Point and the actual point of interconnection for the MPB arrangement; and

b = the airline mileage between the Verizon Serving Interconnection Wire Center and the actual point of interconnection for the MPB arrangement.

10.18 iNetworks shall inform Verizon of each LATA in which it intends to offer Telephone Exchange Services and its calculation of the billing percentages which should apply for such arrangement. Within ten (10) Business Days of iNetworks' delivery of notice to Verizon, Verizon and iNetworks shall confirm the Routing Point/Verizon Serving Interconnection Wire Center combination and billing percentages.

# 11. Toll Free Service Access Code (e.g., 800/888/877) Traffic

The following terms shall apply when either Party delivers toll free service access code (e.g., 800/877/888)("8YY") calls to the other Party. For the purposes of this Section 11, the terms "translated" and "untranslated" refers to those toll free service access code calls that have been queried ("translated") or have not been queried ("untranslated") to an 8YY database. Except as otherwise agreed to by the Parties, all iNetworks originating "untranslated" 8YY traffic will be routed over a separate One-Way miscellaneous Trunk group.

- 11.1 When iNetworks delivers translated 8YY calls to Verizon to be completed by
  - 11.1.1 an IXC:
    - 11.1.1.1 iNetworks will provide an appropriate EMI record to Verizon;
    - 11.1.1.2 iNetworks will bill the IXC the iNetworks' applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges and the iNetworks' applicable Tariff query charges; and
    - 11.1.1.3 Verizon will bill the IXC Verizon's applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges.
  - 11.1.2 Verizon:
    - 11.1.2.1 iNetworks will provide an appropriate EMI record to Verizon; and

- 11.1.2.2 iNetworks will bill Verizon the iNetworks' Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges and the iNetworks' applicable Tariff query charge.
- 11.1.3 a toll free service access code service provider in that LATA:
  - 11.1.3.1 iNetworks will provide an appropriate EMI record to Verizon and the toll free service access code service provider;
  - 11.1.3.2 iNetworks will bill the toll free service access code service provider the iNetworks' applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges and the iNetworks' applicable Tariff query charges; and
  - 11.1.3.3 Verizon will bill the toll free service access code service provider Verizon's applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges.
- 11.2 When Verizon performs the query and delivers translated 8YY calls, originated by Verizon's Customer or another LEC's Customer to iNetworks to be completed by
  - 11.2.1 iNetworks:
    - 11.2.1.1 Verizon will provide an appropriate EMI record to iNetworks; and
    - 11.2.1.2 Verizon will bill iNetworks Verizon's applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges and Verizon's applicable Tariff query charges.
  - 11.2.2 a toll free service access code service provider in that LATA:
    - 11.2.2.1 Verizon will provide an appropriate EMI record to iNetworks and the toll free service access code service provider;
    - 11.2.2.2 Verizon will bill the toll free service access code service provider Verizon's applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges and Verizon's applicable Tariff query charges; and
    - 11.2.2.3 iNetworks will bill the toll free service access code service provider the iNetworks' applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges.
- 11.3 When iNetworks delivers untranslated 8YY calls to Verizon to be completed by
  - 11.3.1 an IXC:
    - 11.3.1.1 Verizon will query the call and route the call to the appropriate IXC;
    - 11.3.1.2 Verizon will provide an appropriate EMI record to iNetworks;
    - 11.3.1.3 Verizon will bill the IXC Verizon's applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges and Verizon's applicable Tariff query charges; and

- 11.3.1.4 iNetworks will bill the IXC iNetworks' applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges.
- 11.3.2 Verizon:
  - 11.3.2.1 Verizon will query the call and complete the call;
  - 11.3.2.2 Verizon will provide an appropriate EMI record to iNetworks;
  - 11.3.2.3 iNetworks will bill Verizon the iNetworks' applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges.
- 11.3.3 a toll free service access code service provider in that LATA:
  - 11.3.3.1 Verizon will query the call and route the call to the appropriate toll free service access code service provider;
  - 11.3.3.2 Verizon will provide an appropriate EMI record to iNetworks and the toll free service access code service provider;
  - 11.3.3.3 Verizon will bill the toll free service access code service provider Verizon's applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff and Verizon's applicable Tariff query charges; and
  - 11.3.3.4 iNetworks will bill the toll free service access code service provider the iNetworks' applicable Switched Exchange Access Tariff charges.
- 11.4 Verizon will not direct untranslated toll free service access code calls to iNetworks.

### 12. Tandem Transit Traffic

- 12.1 As used in this Section, Tandem Transit Traffic is Telephone Exchange Service traffic that originates on iNetworks' network, and is transported through Verizon's Tandem to the subtending End Office or its equivalent of another carrier (CLEC, ILEC other than Verizon, Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) carrier, or other LEC ("Other Carrier"). Neither the originating nor terminating customer is a Customer of Verizon. Subtending End Offices shall be determined in accordance with and as identified in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG). For the avoidance of any doubt, under no circumstances shall Verizon be required to transit traffic through a Verizon Tandem to a Central Office that the LERG does not identify as subtending that particular Verizon Tandem. Switched Exchange Access Service traffic is not Tandem Transit Traffic.
- 12.2 Tandem Transit Traffic Service provides iNetworks with the transport of Tandem Transit Traffic as provided below.
- 12.3 Tandem Transit Traffic may be routed over the Interconnection Trunks described in Sections 2 through 6 of this Attachment. iNetworks shall deliver each Tandem Transit Traffic call to Verizon's Tandem with CCS and the appropriate Transactional Capabilities Application Part ("TCAP") message to facilitate full interoperability of CLASS Features and billing functions.
- 12.4 iNetworks may use Tandem Transit Traffic Service only for traffic that originates on iNetworks' network and only to send traffic to an Other Carrier with whom iNetworks has a reciprocal traffic exchange arrangement (either via written agreement or mutual tariffs) that provides for the Other Carrier, to terminate or

complete traffic originated by iNetworks and to bill iNetworks, and not to bill Verizon, for such traffic. iNetworks agrees not to use Verizon's Tandem Transit Traffic Service to send traffic to an Other Carrier with whom iNetworks does not have such a reciprocal traffic exchange arrangement or to send traffic that does not originate on iNetworks' network.

- 12.5 iNetworks shall pay Verizon for Tandem Transit Traffic Service at the rates specified in the Pricing Attachment. Verizon will not be liable for compensation to any Other Carrier for any traffic that is transported through Verizon's Tandem and Verizon reserves the right to assess to iNetworks any additional charges or costs any Other Carrier imposes or levies on Verizon for the delivery or termination of such traffic, including any Switched Exchange Access Service charges. If Verizon is billed by any Other Carrier for any traffic originated by iNetworks, Verizon may provide notice to iNetworks of such billing. Upon receipt of such notice, iNetworks shall immediately stop using Verizon's Tandem Transit Traffic Service to send any traffic to such Other Carrier until it has provided to Verizon certification that the Other Carrier will not bill Verizon for any traffic originated by iNetworks. Such certification must be signed by an authorized officer or agent of the Other Carrier and must be in a form acceptable to Verizon.
- 12.6 If iNetworks uses Tandem Transit Traffic Service for traffic volumes that exceed the Centum Call Seconds (Hundred Call Seconds) busy hour equivalent of 200,000 combined minutes of use per month (a DS1 equivalent) to the subtending End Office of a particular Other Carrier for any month (the "Threshold Level"). iNetworks shall use good faith efforts to establish direct interconnection with such Other Carrier and reduce such traffic volumes below the Threshold Level. If Verizon believes that iNetworks has not exercised good faith efforts promptly to obtain such direct interconnection, either Party may use the Dispute Resolution processes of this Agreement.
- 12.7 If iNetworks fails to comply with Section 12 of this Attachment, such failure shall be a material breach of a material provision of this Agreement and Verizon may exercise any and all remedies under this Agreement and Applicable Law for such breach.
- 12.8 If or when a third party carrier plans to subtend a iNetworks switch, then iNetworks shall provide written notice to Verizon at least ninety (90) days before such subtending service arrangement becomes effective so that Verizon may negotiate and establish direct interconnection with such third party carrier. Upon written request from Verizon, iNetworks shall offer to Verizon a service arrangement equivalent to or the same as Tandem Transit Traffic Service provided by Verizon to iNetworks as defined in this Section such that Verizon may terminate calls to a Central Office or its equivalent of a CLEC, ILEC other than Verizon, CMRS carrier, or other LEC, that subtends a iNetworks Central Office or its equivalent ("Reciprocal Tandem Transit Service"). iNetworks shall offer such Reciprocal Transit Service arrangements under terms and conditions of an amendment to this Agreement or a separate agreement no less favorable than those provided in this Section.
- 12.9 Neither Party shall take any actions to prevent the other Party from entering into a direct and reciprocal traffic exchange arrangement with any carrier to which it originates, or from which it terminates, traffic.

## 13. Number Resources, Rate Center Areas and Routing Points

- 13.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or otherwise adversely affect in any manner either Party's right to employ or to request and be assigned any Central Office Codes ("NXX") pursuant to the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines and any relevant FCC or Commission orders, as may be amended from time to time, or to establish, by Tariff or otherwise, Rate Center Areas and Routing Points corresponding to such NXX codes.
- 13.2 It shall be the responsibility of each Party to program and update its own switches and network systems pursuant to information provided on ASRs as well as the LERG in order to recognize and route traffic to the other Party's assigned NXX codes. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, neither Party shall impose any fees or charges whatsoever on the other Party for such activities.
- 13.3 Unless otherwise required by Commission order, the Rate Center Areas will be the same for each Party. During the term of this Agreement, iNetworks shall adopt the Rate Center Area and Rate Center Points that the Commission has approved for Verizon within the LATA and Tandem serving area. iNetworks shall assign whole NPA-NXX codes to each Rate Center Area unless otherwise ordered by the FCC, the Commission or another governmental entity of appropriate jurisdiction, or the LEC industry adopts alternative methods of utilizing NXXs.
- 13.4 iNetworks will also designate a Routing Point for each assigned NXX code. iNetworks shall designate one location for each Rate Center Area in which the iNetworks has established NXX code(s) as the Routing Point for the NPA-NXXs associated with that Rate Center Area, and such Routing Point shall be within the same LATA as the Rate Center Area but not necessarily within the Rate Center Area itself. Unless specified otherwise, calls to subsequent NXXs of iNetworks will be routed in the same manner as calls to iNetworks' initial NXXs.
- 13.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, nothing in this Agreement is intended, and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed, to in any way constrain iNetworks' choices regarding the size of the local calling area(s) that iNetworks may establish for Reseller Customers, which local calling areas may be larger than, smaller than, or identical to Verizon's local calling areas.

## 14. Joint Network Implementation and Grooming Process; Forecasting

14.1 Joint Network Implementation and Grooming Process.

Upon request of either Party, the Parties shall jointly develop an implementation and grooming process (the "Joint Grooming Process" or "Joint Process") which may define and detail, inter alia:

- 14.1.1 standards to ensure that Interconnection Trunks experience a grade of service, availability and quality which is comparable to that achieved on interoffice trunks within Verizon's network and in accord with all appropriate relevant industry-accepted quality, reliability and availability standards. Except as otherwise stated in this Agreement, trunks provided by either Party for Interconnection services will be engineered using a design-blocking objective of B.01.
- 14.1.2 the respective duties and responsibilities of the Parties with respect to the administration and maintenance of the trunk groups, including, but not limited to, standards and procedures for notification and discoveries of trunk disconnects;

- 14.1.3 disaster recovery provision escalations;
- 14.1.4 additional technically feasible Point(s) of Interconnection on Verizon's network in a LATA as provided in Section 2 of this Attachment; and
- 14.1.5 such other matters as the Parties may agree, including, e.g., End Office to End Office high usage trunks as good engineering practices may dictate.
- 14.2 Trunk Forecasting Requirements.
  - 14.2.1 Initial Trunk Forecast Requirements. At least ninety (90) days before initiating interconnection in a LATA, iNetworks shall provide Verizon a two (2)-year traffic forecast that complies with the Verizon Interconnection Trunking Forecast Guide, as revised from time to time. This initial traffic forecast will provide the amount of traffic to be delivered to and from Verizon over each of the Interconnection Trunk groups in the LATA over the next eight (8) quarters.
  - 14.2.2 Ongoing Trunk Forecast Requirements. Where the Parties have already established interconnection in a LATA, iNetworks shall provide a new or revised traffic forecast that complies with the Verizon Interconnection Trunking Forecast Guide when iNetworks develops plans or becomes aware of information that will materially affect the Parties' interconnection in that LATA. Instances that require a new or revised forecast include, but are not limited to: (a) iNetworks plans to deploy a new switch; (b) iNetworks plans to implement a new POI or network architecture; (c) iNetworks plans to rearrange its network; (d) iNetworks plans to convert a One-Way Interconnection Trunk group to a Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group: (e) iNetworks plans to convert a Two-Way Interconnection Trunk group to a One-Way Interconnection Trunk group; or (f) iNetworks expects a significant change in interconnection traffic volume. In addition, upon request by either Party, the Parties shall meet to: (i) review traffic and usage data on End Office and Tandem Interconnection Trunk groups and (ii) determine whether the Parties should establish new Interconnection Trunk groups, augment existing Interconnection Trunk groups, or disconnect existing Interconnection Trunks.
  - 14.2.3 <u>Use of Trunk Forecasts</u>. Trunk forecasts provided pursuant to this Agreement must be prepared in good faith but are not otherwise binding on iNetworks or Verizon.

## 15. Number Portability - Section 251(B)(2)

15.1 Scope.

The Parties shall provide Number Portability (NP) in accordance with rules and regulations as from time to time prescribed by the FCC.

15.2 Procedures for Providing LNP ("Local Number Portability").

The Parties will follow the LNP provisioning process recommended by the North American Numbering Council (NANC) and the Industry Numbering Council (INC), and adopted by the FCC. In addition, the Parties agree to follow the LNP ordering procedures established at the OBF. The Parties shall provide LNP on a reciprocal basis.

- 15.3 [Intentionally omitted]
- 15.4 [Intentionally omitted]
- 15.5 All LNP orders shall be submitted electronically using an LSR via the Verizon web Graphical User Interface ("GUI") or Electronic Data Interface ("EDI") pursuant to the instructions, business rules and guidelines set forth on the Verizon Partner Solutions website (formerly referred to as the Verizon wholesale website).

## 16. Indemnity

iNetworks shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Verizon, each of Verizon's Affiliates and the directors, officers, employees and Agents of the foregoing (each, an "RC Indemnitee"), from and against all losses, costs, claims, liabilities, damages, settlements, penalties, awards, and expenses whatsoever (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs related to the defense of the foregoing), incurred by or asserted against any RC Indemnitee arising from, or in any way connected with, or as a result of (a) iNetworks' performance or nonperformance of its duties and obligations under this Agreement or (b) iNetworks' provision or nonprovision of services to Reseller. All amounts due under this Section shall be payable upon written demand.

## 17. Good Faith Performance

If and, to the extent that, Verizon, prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement, has not provided in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Service offered under this Attachment, Verizon reserves the right to negotiate in good faith with iNetworks reasonable terms and conditions (including, without limitation, rates and implementation timeframes) for such Service; and, if the Parties cannot agree to such terms and conditions (including, without limitation timeframes), either Party may utilize the Agreement's dispute resolution procedures.

## EXHIBIT A TO SECTION 3.1 (FIBER MEET ARRANGEMENT) OF THE INTERCONNECTION ATTACHMENT

### **Technical Specifications and Requirements**

#### for

### iNetworks - Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts Fiber Meet Arrangement No. [XX]

The following technical specifications and requirements will apply to iNetworks - Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts Fiber Meet Arrangement [NUMBER] ("FM No. [XX]"):

- 1. FM No. [XX] will provide interconnection facilities for the exchange of applicable traffic (as set forth in the Amendment) between Verizon's [NAME OF TANDEM/END OFFICE] and iNetworks' [NAME OF TANDEM/END OFFICE] in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. A diagram of FM No. [XX] is included as Exhibit A-1.
- 2. <u>Fiber Meet Points ("FMPs")</u>.
  - 2.1 FM No. [XX] will be configured as shown on Exhibit A-1. FM No. [XX] will have two FMPs. Neither FMP is more than three (3) miles from the nearest Verizon Tandem or End Office.
  - 2.2 Verizon will provision a Fiber Network Interface Device ("FNID") at [POLE XX, STREET YY, TOWN ZZ, STATE] and terminate [\_\_\_\_] strands of its fiber optic cable in the FNID. The FNID provisioned by Verizon will be a [MANUFACTURER, MODEL]. Verizon will bear the cost of installing and maintaining its FNID. The fiber patch panel within Verizon's FNID will serve as FMP No. 1. Verizon will provide a fiber stub at the fiber patch panel in Verizon's FNID for iNetworks to connect [\_\_\_] strands of its fiber cable [\_\_\_] connectors. Verizon's FNID will be locked, but Verizon and iNetworks will have 24 hour access to their respective side of the fiber patch panel located in Verizon's FNID.
  - 2.3 iNetworks will provision a FNID at [POLE XX, STREET YY, TOWN ZZ, STATE] and terminate [\_\_\_\_] strands of its fiber optic cable in the FNID. The FNID provisioned by iNetworks will be a [MANUFACTURER, MODEL]. iNetworks will bear the cost of installing and maintaining its FNID. The fiber patch panel within iNetworks' FNID will serve as FMP No. 2. iNetworks will provide a fiber stub at the fiber patch panel in iNetworks' FNID for Verizon to connect [\_\_\_\_] strands of its fiber cable. iNetworks' FNID will be locked, but iNetworks and Verizon will have 24 hour access to their respective side of the fiber patch panel located in iNetworks' FNID.
- 3. <u>Transmission Characteristics</u>.
  - 3.1 FM No. [XX] will be built [as a ring configuration].
  - 3.2 The transmission interface for FM No. [XX] will be [Synchronous Optical Network ("SONET")].
  - 3.3 Terminating equipment shall comply with [SONET transmission requirements as specified in Telcordia Technologies document GR-253 CORE (Tables 4-3 through 4-11)].

- 3.4 The optical transmitters and receivers shall provide adequate power for the endto-end length of the fiber cable to be traversed.
- 3.5 The optical transmission rate will be [Unidirectional] OC-[XX].
- 3.6 The path switch protection shall be set as [Non-Revertive].
- 3.7 Verizon and iNetworks shall provide [Primary Reference Source traceable timing].

## 4. Add Drop Multiplexer.

- 4.1 Verizon will, at its own cost, obtain and install (at its own premise) its own Add Drop Multiplexer. Verizon will use a [MANUFACTURER, MODEL] Add Drop Multiplexer with firmware release of [X.X] at the network level. Before making any upgrade or change to the firmware of its Add Drop Multiplexer, Verizon must provide iNetworks with fourteen (14) days advance written notice that describes the upgrade or change to its firmware and states the date on which such firmware will be activated in Verizon's Add Drop Multiplexer.
- 4.2 iNetworks will, at its own cost, obtain and install (at its own premise) its own Add Drop Multiplexer. iNetworks will use a [MANUFACTURER, MODEL] Add Drop Multiplexer with firmware release of [X.X] at the network level. Before making any upgrade or change to the firmware of its Add Drop Multiplexer, iNetworks must provide Verizon with fourteen (14) days advance written notice that describes the upgrade or change to its firmware and states the date on which such firmware or software will be activated in iNetworks' Add Drop Multiplexer.
- 4.3 iNetworks and Verizon will monitor all firmware upgrades and changes to observe for any failures or anomalies adversely affecting service or administration. If any upgrade or change to firmware adversely affects service or administration of FM No. [XX], the firmware will be removed from the Add Drop Multiplexer and will revert to the previous version of firmware.
- 4.4 The Data Communication Channel shall be disabled between the Verizon and iNetworks Add Drop Multiplexers of FM No. [XX].
- 5. <u>Testing</u>.
  - 5.1 Prior to turn-up of FM No. [XX], Verizon and iNetworks will mutually develop and implement testing procedures for FM No. [XX]
- 6. <u>Connecting Facility Assignment ("CFA") and Slot Assignment Allocation ("SAA").</u>
  - 6.1 For one-way and two-way trunk arrangements, the SAA information will be turned over to iNetworks as a final step of turn up of the FM No. [XX].
  - 6.2 For one-way trunk arrangements, Verizon will control the CFA for the subtending facilities and trunks connected to Verizon's slots and iNetworks will control the CFA for the subtending facilities and trunks connected to iNetworks' slots. iNetworks will place facility orders against the first half of the *fully configured* slots (for example, slots 1-6 of a fully configured OC12) and Verizon will place orders against the second half of the slots (for example, slots 7-12). If either Party needs the other Party's additional slot capacity to place orders, this will be negotiated and assigned on a case-by-case basis. For SAA, Verizon and

iNetworks shall jointly designate the slot assignments for Verizon's Add Drop Multiplexers and iNetworks' Add Drop Multiplexer in FM No. [XX].

- 6.3 For two-way trunk arrangements, iNetworks shall control the CFA for the subtending facilities and trunks connected to FM No. [XX]. iNetworks shall place facility and trunk orders against the total available SAA capacity of FM No. [XX].
- 7. Inventory, Provisioning and Maintenance, Surveillance, and Restoration.
  - 7.1 Verizon and iNetworks will inventory FM No. [XX] in their operational support systems before the order flow begins.
  - 7.2 Verizon and iNetworks will notify each other's respective Maintenance Control Office of all troubleshooting and scheduled maintenance activity to be performed on FM No. [XX] facilities prior to undertaking such work, and will advise each other of the trouble reporting and maintenance control point contact numbers and the days and hours of operation. Each Party shall provide a timely response to the other Party's action requests or status inquiries.
  - 7.3 Verizon will be responsible for the provisioning and maintenance of the FM No. [XX] transport facilities on Verizon's side of the FMPs, as well as delivering its applicable traffic to the FMPs. iNetworks will be responsible for the provisioning and maintenance of the FM No. [XX] transport facilities on the iNetworks' side of the FMPs, as well as delivering its applicable traffic to the FMPs. As such, other than payment of any applicable intercarrier compensation charges pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, neither Party shall have any obligation to pay the other Party any charges in connection with FM No. [XX].
  - 7.4 Verizon and iNetworks will provide alarm surveillance for their respective FM No. [XX] transport facilities. Verizon and iNetworks will notify each other's respective maintenance control office of all troubleshooting and scheduled maintenance activity to be performed on the facility prior to undertaking such work, and will advise each other of the trouble reporting and maintenance control point contact numbers and the days and hours of operation.

## 8. <u>Cancellation or Modification of FM No. [XX]</u>.

- 8.1 Except as otherwise provided in this Section 8, all expenses and costs associated with the construction, operation, use and maintenance of FM No. [XX] on each Party's respective side of the FMPs will be borne by such Party.
- 8.2 If either Party terminates the construction of the FM No. [XX] before it is used to exchange traffic, the Party terminating the construction of FM No. [XX] will compensate the other Party for that Party's reasonable actual incurred construction and/or implementation expenses.
- 8.3 If either Party proposes to move or change FM No. [XX] as set forth in this document, at any time before or after it is used to exchange traffic, the Party requesting the move or change will compensate the other Party for that Party's reasonable actual incurred construction and/or implementation expenses. Augments, moves and changes to FM No. [XX] as set forth in this document must be mutually agreed upon by the Parties in writing.

iNetworks Group, Inc.

Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts



## Exhibit A-1 to EXHIBIT A TO SECTION 3.1 (FIBER MEET ARRANGEMENT) OF THE INTERCONNECTION ATTACHMENT

**Technical Specifications and Requirements** 

for

iNetworks - Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts Fiber Meet Arrangement No. [XX]

[Insert City, State]

# **COLLOCATION ATTACHMENT**

## 1. Verizon's Provision of Collocation

Verizon shall provide to iNetworks, in accordance with this Agreement, Verizon's applicable federal and state Tariffs and the requirements of Applicable Law, Collocation for the purpose of facilitating iNetworks' interconnection with Verizon under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(2) or access to Unbundled Network Elements of Verizon; provided, that notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or a Tariff, Verizon shall be obligated to provide Collocation to iNetworks only to the extent required by Applicable Law and may decline to provide Collocation to iNetworks to the extent that provision of Collocation is not required by Applicable Law. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or a Tariff, nothing in this Agreement or a Tariff shall be deemed to require Verizon to provide (and, for the avoidance of any doubt, Verizon may decline to provide and/or cease providing) Collocation that, if provided by Verizon, would be used by iNetworks to obtain unbundled access to any network element: (a) that Verizon is not required to unbundle under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) or (b) that Verizon is not required to unbundle under 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(3) or (b) that Verizon is not required to unbundle under 47 C.F.R. Part 51.

## 911 ATTACHMENT

# 1. 911/E-911 Arrangements

- 1.1 911/E-911 arrangements provide a caller access to the appropriate PSAP by dialing a 3-digit universal telephone number "911". Verizon provides and maintains such equipment and software at the 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s), Verizon interface point(s) and ALI Database as is necessary for 911/E-911 Calls in areas where Verizon is the designated 911/E-911 Service Provider.
- 1.2 Verizon shall make the following information available to iNetworks, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law. Such information is provided at the Verizon Partner Solutions website (formerly referred to as the Verizon wholesale website):
  - 1.2.1 a listing of the CLLI code (and SS7 point code when applicable) of each 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) and associated geographic location served for areas where Verizon is the designated 911/E-911 Service Provider;
  - 1.2.2 a listing of appropriate Verizon contact telephone numbers and organizations that currently have responsibility for operations and support of Verizon's 911/E-911 network and ALI Database systems; and
  - 1.2.3 where Verizon maintains a Master Street Address Guide (MSAG) on behalf of the Controlling 911 Authority, Verizon shall provide to iNetworks a complete copy of such MSAG annually upon written request for each county within the LATA(s) in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, where iNetworks is providing Telephone Exchange Service, provided that Verizon is permitted to do so by Controlling 911 Authority.

## 2. ALI Database

- 2.1 Where Verizon manages the ALI Database, information regarding the ALI Database is provided electronically at the Verizon Partner Solutions website (formerly referred to as the Verizon wholesale website).
- 2.2 Where Verizon manages the ALI Database, Verizon shall:
  - 2.2.1 store iNetworks end user data provided by iNetworks in the ALI Database;
  - 2.2.2 provide iNetworks access to the ALI Database for the initial loading and updating of iNetworks end user records in accordance with information contained in the Verizon Partner Solutions website (formerly referred to as the Verizon wholesale website); and
  - 2.2.3 provide iNetworks an error and status report based on updates to the ALI Database received from iNetworks.
- 2.3 Where Verizon manages the ALI Database, iNetworks shall:
  - 2.3.1 provide MSAG valid E-911 data for each of its end users for the initial loading of, and any and all updates to the ALI database;

- 2.3.2 utilize the appropriate Verizon electronic interface to update E-911 data in the ALI Database related its end users (and all such database information in the ALI Database shall conform to Verizon standards, which are provided at the Verizon Partner Solutions website (formerly referred to as the Verizon wholesale website));
- 2.3.3 use its company ID on all end user records in accordance with NENA standards;
- 2.3.4 correct any errors that occur during the entry of E-911 data in the ALI Database; and
- 2.3.5 enter E-911 data into the ALI Database in accordance with NENA standards for LNP. This includes, but is not limited to, using iNetworks' NENA ID to lock and unlock records and the posting of the iNetworks NENA ID to the ALI Database record where such locking and unlocking feature for E-911 records is available, or as defined by local standards. iNetworks is required to promptly unlock and migrate its E-911 records in accordance with NENA standards. In the event that iNetworks discontinues providing Telephone Exchange Service to any of its end users, it shall ensure that its E-911 records for such end users are unlocked in accordance with NENA standards.
- 2.4 In the event iNetworks uses an Agent to input its end user's E-911 data to the ALI Database through the appropriate Verizon electronic interface, iNetworks shall provide a Letter of Authorization, in a form acceptable to Verizon, identifying and authorizing its Agent.

## 3. 911/E-911 Interconnection

- 3.1 iNetworks may, in accordance with Applicable Law, interconnect to the Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) or Verizon interface point(s). Verizon shall designate interface point(s), e.g., digital cross connect systems (DCS), where iNetworks may interconnect with Verizon for the transmission and routing of 911/E-911 Calls to all subtending PSAPs that serve the areas in which iNetworks provides Telephone Exchange Services.
- 3.2 In order to interconnect with Verizon for the transmission and routing of 911/E-911 Calls, iNetworks shall:
  - 3.2.1 interconnect with each Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office/Selective Router or Verizon interface point that serves the exchange areas in which iNetworks is authorized to and will provide Telephone Exchange Service;
  - 3.2.2 provide a minimum of two (2) one-way outgoing 911/E-911 trunks over diversely routed facilities that are dedicated for originating 911/E-911 Calls from the iNetworks switch to each designated Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office/Selective Router or Verizon interface point, using SS7 signaling where available, as necessary;
  - 3.2.3 [Intentionally Left Blank];
  - 3.2.4 provide sufficient trunks and facilities to route 911/E-911 Calls from iNetworks to the designated Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) or Verizon interface point(s). iNetworks

is responsible for requesting that trunks and facilities be routed diversely for 911/E-911 interconnection;

- 3.2.5 determine the proper quantity of trunks and facilities from its switch(es) to the Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) or Verizon interface point(s);
- 3.2.6 engineer its 911/E-911 trunks and facilities to attain a minimum P.01 grade of service as measured using the "busy day/busy hour" criteria or at such other minimum grade of service as required by Applicable Law or the Controlling 911 Authority;
- 3.2.7 monitor its 911/E-911 trunks and facilities for the purpose of determining originating network traffic volumes. If the iNetworks traffic study indicates that additional trunks and/or facilities are needed to meet the current level of 911/E-911 Call volumes, iNetworks shall order or otherwise provide adequate additional trunks and/or facilities;
- 3.2.8 promptly test all 911/E-911 trunks and facilities between the iNetworks network and the Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) or Verizon interface point(s) to assure proper functioning of 911/E-911 arrangements. iNetworks shall not transmit or route live 911/E-911 Calls until successful testing is completed; and
- 3.2.9 isolate, coordinate and restore all 911/E-911 network maintenance problems from its switch(es) to the Verizon 911/E-911 Tandem Office(s)/Selective Router(s) or Verizon interface points. iNetworks shall advise Verizon of the circuit identification when notifying Verizon of a failure or outage.

## 4. 911/E-911 General

- 4.1 Verizon and iNetworks shall work cooperatively to arrange meetings with the Controlling 911 Authorities to answer any technical questions the PSAPs, or county or municipal coordinators may have regarding the initial 911/E-911 arrangements
- 4.2 iNetworks shall compensate Verizon for provision of 911/E-911 Services pursuant to the Pricing Attachment of this Agreement.
- 4.3 iNetworks and Verizon shall comply with all Applicable Law (including 911 taxes and surcharges as defined by Applicable Law) pertaining to 911/E-911 arrangements.
- 4.4 iNetworks shall collect and remit, as required, any 911/E-911 applicable surcharges from its end users in accordance with Applicable Law.

## 5. Good Faith Performance

If and, to the extent that, Verizon, prior to the Effective Date, has not provided in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Service offered under this Attachment, Verizon reserves the right to negotiate in good faith with iNetworks reasonable terms and conditions (including, without limitation, rates and implementation timeframes) for such Service; and, if the Parties cannot agree to such terms and conditions (including, without limitation timeframes), either Party may utilize the Agreement's dispute resolution procedures.

## PRICING ATTACHMENT TO AMENDMENT NO. 1

## 1. <u>General</u>

- 1.1 As used in this Attachment, the term "Charges" means the rates, fees, charges and prices for a Service.
- 1.2 Except as stated in Section 3 of this Attachment, Charges for Services shall be as stated in this Section 1 of this Attachment.
- 1.3 The Charges for a Service shall be the Charges for the Service stated in Verizon's applicable Tariff.
- 1.4 In the absence of Charges for a Service established pursuant to Section 1.3 of this Attachment, the Charges shall be as stated in Exhibit A to this Pricing Attachment. For rate elements provided in Exhibit A to this Pricing Attachment that do not include a Charge, either marked as "TBD" or otherwise, Verizon is developing such Charges and has not finished developing such Charges as of the Amendment Effective Date. When Verizon finishes developing such a Charge, Verizon shall notify iNetworks in writing of such Charge in accordance with, and subject to, the notices provisions of the Amended Agreement and thereafter shall bill iNetworks, and iNetworks shall pay to Verizon, for Services provided under this Amendment on the Amendment Effective Date and thereafter in accordance with such Charge. Any notice provided by Verizon to iNetworks pursuant to this Section 1.4 shall be deemed to be a part of Exhibit A to this Pricing Attachment immediately after Verizon sends such notice to iNetworks and thereafter.
- 1.5 The Charges stated in Exhibit A to this Pricing Attachment shall be automatically superseded by any applicable Tariff Charges. The Charges stated in Exhibit A to this Pricing Attachment also shall be automatically superseded by any new Charge(s) when such new Charge(s) are required by any order of the Commission or the FCC, approved by the Commission or the FCC, or otherwise allowed to go into effect by the Commission or the FCC (including, but not limited to, in a Tariff that has been filed with the Commission or the FCC), provided such new Charge(s) are not subject to a stay issued by any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 1.6 In the absence of Charges for a Service established pursuant to Sections 1.3 through 1.5 of this Attachment, if Charges for a Service are otherwise expressly provided for in this Amendment or the Amended Agreement, such Charges shall apply.
- 1.7 In the absence of Charges for a Service established pursuant to Sections 1.3 through 1.6 of this Attachment, the Charges for the Service shall be Verizon's FCC or Commission approved Charges.
- 1.8 In the absence of Charges for a Service established pursuant to Sections 1.3 through 1.7 of this Attachment, the Charges for the Service shall be mutually agreed to by the Parties in writing.

# 2. [This Section Intentionally Left Blank]

## 3. <u>iNetworks Prices</u>

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Amendment or the Amended Agreement, the Charges that iNetworks bills Verizon for iNetworks' Services shall not exceed the Charges for Verizon's comparable Services, except to the extent that iNetworks' cost to provide such iNetworks' Services to Verizon exceeds the Charges for Verizon's comparable Services and iNetworks has demonstrated such cost to Verizon, or, at Verizon's request, to the Commission or the FCC.

## 4. [This Section Intentionally Left Blank]

## 5. <u>Regulatory Review of Prices</u>

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Amendment or the Amended Agreement, each Party reserves its respective rights to institute an appropriate proceeding with the FCC, the Commission or other governmental body of appropriate jurisdiction: (a) with regard to the Charges for its Services (including, but not limited to, a proceeding to change the Charges for its services, whether provided for in any of its Tariffs, in Exhibit A, or otherwise); and (b) with regard to the Charges of the other Party (including, but not limited to, a proceeding to obtain a reduction in such Charges and a refund of any amounts paid in excess of any Charges that are reduced).

# **EXHIBIT A APPENDIX A TO THE PRICING ATTACHMENT**<sup>1</sup>

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## A. INTERCONNECTION<sup>2</sup>

## I. Call Transport & Termination

	Verizon Service	Non-recurring	Recurring
1.	Reciprocal Compensation Traffic Tandem or End Office Rate	Rates for Reciprocal Compensation are as set forth in Verizon Massachusetts DTE No. 17 Tariff, as amended from time to time	
2.	Access charges for Intrastate and/or Interstate	Per Verizon FCC Interstate Tariff No. 11 and intrastate Verizon Massachusetts DTE No. 15 access tariffs for Feature Group D service, as amended from time to time	
3.	Entrance facilities, and transport, as appropriate, for Interconnection at Verizon End Office, Tandem Office, Serving Wire Center, or other Point of Interconnection	Per Verizon FCC Interstate Tariff No. 11 and intrastate Verizon Massachusetts DTE No. 15 intrastate access tariffs for Feature Group D service, as amended from time to time	

### II. Transit Service

- **a. Tandem Transit Traffic Service** (Switching) rates are found in DTE MA No. 17, as amended from time to time.
- **b.** Dedicated Transit Service rates are found in DTE MA No. 17, as amended from time to time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Appendix may contain rates for (and/or reference) services, facilities, arrangements and the like that Verizon does not have an obligation to provide under the Agreement (e.g., services, facilities, arrangements and the like that Verizon is not required to provide under Section 251 of the Act). Notwithstanding any such rates (and/or references) and, for the avoidance of any doubt, nothing in this Appendix shall be deemed to require Verizon to provide a service, facility, arrangement or the like that the Agreement does not require Verizon to provide a service, facility, arrangement or the like upon rates, terms or conditions other than those that may be required by the Agreement.

All rates and charges set forth in this Appendix shall apply until such time as they are replaced by new rates and/or charges as the Commission or the FCC may approve or allow to go into effect from time to time, subject however, to any stay or other order issued by any court of competent jurisdiction

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All rates and charges specified herein are pertaining to the Interconnection Attachment.

# B. Intrastate Collocation

All rates for intrastate collocation shall be charged at rates found in Verizon's DTE MA No. 17 Tariff, as amended from time to time.

## C. 911/E911 INTERCONNECTION

## Monthly Rate:

1. \$252.00 per month for an unequipped DS1 Port and \$100 per month per voice grade trunk activated and equipped on the DS1 port.

2. \$0.05 per line per month for unbundled local Switching Element.