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October 21, 2004

Ms. Renee Jenkins
Docketing Division Chief
The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street, 13th floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Re: Case No. 04-1064-TP-CTR

Approval of 4 Contracts to provide Prime Advantage and Business Access Line Services

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

Pursuant to section 4905.31(e) of the Revised Code, Cincinnati Bell Telephone is submitting an original and seven copies of the Telecommunications Application Form along with business contracts containing off-tariff rates and/or terms. Also enclosed is an affidavit of D. Scott Ringo Jr.

Any questions regarding this transmittal should be directed to me at 513-397-1296.

Sincerely,

Kathy Reid

Regulatory Specialist Government Relations

Karty Reid

Attachment

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# **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF OHIO	)	
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COUNTY OF HAMILTON	)	

I, D. Scott Ringo Jr., Assistant Secretary and Director of Regulatory Affairs at Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company being first duly sworn, state under oath that the total price of each contract submitted in this filing exceeds the total incremental cost of all regulated services under these same contracts.

D. Scott Ringo Jr.

Assistant Secretary and Director of Regulatory Affairs

Sworn and subscribed before me this 21st day of October, 2004

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ANN JOUETT KINNEY
Attorney At Law
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Has No Expiration Date
Section 147.03 R.C.

# The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM (Effective: 10/01/2004) (Pursuant to Case Nos. 99-998-TP-COI and 99-563-TP-COI)

In the Matter	of the Application of Cincinnati Bell Telephone )
Company to	file contracts containing off-tariff rates  Case No.04 - 1064 - TP - CTR
Name of Reg	istrant(s) Cincinnati Bell Telephone
DBA(s) of R	
	egistrant(s) 201 E. Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-2301
	eb Address <u>www.cincinnatibell.com</u>
	Ontact Person(s) Kathy Reid Phone (513)397-1296 Fax (513)723-9815
Regulatory C	ontact Person's Email Address Kathy.reid@cinbell.com
Contact Pers	on for Annual Report D. Scott Ringo Phone (513)397-1354
Consumer Co	Contact Person's Email Address   Kathy.reid@cinbell.com
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	protective order included with filing?   Yes x No
	waiver(s) filed affecting this case? □ Yes x No [Note: waiver(s) tolls any automatic timeframe]
Company T	ype (check all applicable): □ CTS (IXC) X ILEC □ CLEC □ CMRS □ AOS
	□ Other (explain)
Case No. 99-9	orm must accompany all applications filed by telecommunication service providers subject to the Commission's rules promulgated in 98-TP-COI, as well as by ILECs filing an ARB or NAG case pursuant to the guidelines established in Case No. 96-463-TP-UNC. It is 12 to combine different types of filings, but if you do so, you must file under the process with the longest applicable review period.
I. Please	indicate the reason for submitting this form ( <i>check <u>one</u></i> )
	Application to Amend Certificate by a CLEC to modify Serving Area (0-day notice, 7 copies)
□ 2 (ABN)	Abandonment of all Services
п 3 (ACE)	□ a. CLEC (90-day approval, 10 copies) □ b. CTS (14-day approval, 10 copies) □ c. ILEC (NOT automatic, 10 copies)  New Operating Authority for providers other than CMRS (30-day approval, 7 copies); for CMRS, see item No.15 on this page.  □ a. Switched Local □ b. Non-switched local □ c. CTS □ d. Local and CTS □ c. Other (explain)
□ 4 (ACO)	LEC Application to Change Ownership (30-day approval, 10 copies)
B 5 (ACN)	LEC Application to Change Name (30-day approval, 10 copies)
	Carrier-to-Carrier Contract Amendment to an agreement approved in a NAG or ARB case (30-day approval, 7 copies)
, ,	NOTE: see item 25 (CTR) on page two of this form for all other contract filings.
n 7 (AMT)	LEC Merger (30-day approval, 10 copies)
□ 8 (ARB)	Application for Arbitration (see 96-463-TP-COI for applicable process, 10 copies)
□ 9 (ATA)	Application for Tariff Amendment for Tier 1 Services, Application to Reclassify Service Among Tiers, or Change to Non-Tier Service
	a. Tier 1 (and Carrier-to-Carrier tariff filings as set-forth in 95-845-TP-COI)
	<ul> <li>i. Pre-filing submittal (30-day pre-filing submittal with Staff and OCC; Do Not Docket, 4 copies)</li> <li>ii. New End User Service which has been preceded by a 30-day pre-filing submittal with Staff for all submittals and also with</li> </ul>
	OCC for Tier 1 residential services (0-day filing, 10 copies)
	iii. New End User Service (NOT preceded by a 30-day filing submittal, 30-day approval, 10 copies)
	iv. New Carrier-to-Carrier Service which has been preceded by a 30-day pre-filing with Staff (0-day filing, 10 copies)
	v. Change in Terms and Conditions, textual revision, correction of error, etc. (30-day approval, 10 copies)
	ui. Grandfather service (30-day approval, 10 copies)
	uvii. Initial Carrier-to-Carrier Services Tariff subsequent to ACE approval (60-day approval, 10 copies)
	viii. Withdrawal of Tier I service must be filed as an "ATW", not an "ATA" - see item 12, below
	Db. Reclassification of Service Among Tiers (NOT automatic, 10 copies)
10 ( A TPC)	c. Textual revision with no effect on rates for non-specific or non-tier service (30-day approval, 10 copies)
□ 10(ATC)	Application to Transfer Certificate (30-day approval, 7 copies)  LEC Application to Conduct a Transaction Between Utilities (30-day approval, 10 copies)
□ 11 (ATR) □ 12 (ATW)	Application to Withdraw a Tier 1 Service
G IZ(KI W)	a. CLEC (60-day approval, 10 copies)   b. ILEC (NOT automatic, 10 copies)
ti 13 (CIO)	Application for Change in Operations by Non-LEC Providers (0-day notice, 7 copies)
0 14 (NAG)	Negotiated Interconnection Agreement Between Carriers (0-day effective, 90-day approval, 8 copies)
15 (RCC)	For CMRS providers only to Register or to Notify of a Change in Operations (0-day notice, 7 copies)
n 16(SLF)	Self-complaint Application
	a. CLEC only-Tier 1 (60-day automatic, 10 copies)
_ 1 <i>4 (</i> 15)	b. Introduce or increase maximum price range for Non-Specific Service Charge (60-day approval, 10 copies)
D 17 (UNC)	Unclassified (explain) (NOT automatic, 15 copies) Tariff Notification Involving only Tier 2 Services
□ 18( <b>ZTA</b> )	NOTE: Notification involving only Her 2 Services  NOTE: Notifications do not require or imply Commission Approval.
	a. New End User Service (0-day notice, 10 copies)
	a. b. Change in Terms and Conditions to straig regions correction of error, etc. (I) day notice 10 conies)

	□ c. Withdrawal of service (0-day notice, 10 copies	r)
□ 19 O	Other (explain)	(NOT automatic, 15 copies)
THE P	FOLLOWING ARE TRF FILINGS ONLY, NOT NEW O	CASES (0-day notice, 3 copies)
□ 20	Introduction or Extension of Promotional Offering	
a 21	New Price List Rate for Existing Service	
	□ a. Tier 1 □ b. Tier 2	
□ 22	Designation of Registrant's Process Agent(s)	
n 23	Update to Registrant's Maps	
24	Annual Tariff Option For Tier 2 Services - indicate wh	nich option you intend to adopt to maintain the tariff. NOTE, changing
	options is only permitted once per calendar year.	
	☐ Paper Tariff ☐ Electronic Tariff. If electronic, provid	e the tariff's web address:
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	FOLLOWING ARE CTR FILINGS ONLY, NOT NEW	
x 25	• •	tract. (NOTE: see item 6 on page 1 of this form for carrier-to-carrier contract amendments)
	CTR Docket No. <u>04</u> - <u>1064</u> - TP - CTR (T	Use same CTR number throughout calendar year)

# II. Please indicate which of the following exhibits have been filed. The numbers (corresponding to the list on page (1) and above) indicate, at a minimum, the types of cases in which the exhibit is required:

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0	[all]	A copy of any motion for waiver of O.A.C. rule(s) associated with this filing. NOTE: the filing of a motion for waiver tolls
L		any automatic timeframe associated with this filing.
0	[3]	Completed Service Requirements Form.
	[3, 9(vii)]	A copy of registrant's proposed tariffs. (Carrier-to-Carrier resale tariff also required if facilities-based)
0	[3]	Evidence that the registrant has notified the Ohio Department of Taxation of its intent to conduct operations as a telephone
		utility in the State of Ohio.
ם	[3]	Brief description of service(s) proposed.
0	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation of whether applicant intends to provide a resold services, a facilities-based services, or both resold and facilities-based services.
	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation as to whether CLEC currently offers CTS services under separate CTS authority, and whether it will be including
-	[54 5,54]	those services within its CLEC filing, or maintaining such CTS services under a separate affiliate.
	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation of how the proposed services in the proposed market area are in the public interest.
<u> </u>	[3a-b,3d]	Description of the proposed market area.
-	[3a-b,3d]	Description of the class of customers (e.g., residence, business) that the applicant intends to serve.
-	[3a-b,3d]	Documentation attesting to the applicant's financial viability, including the following:
"	[54-0,54]	An executive Summary describing the applicant's current financial condition, liquidity, and capital resources.
		Describe internally generated sources of cash and external funds available to support the applicant's operations that
		are the subject of this certification application.
	1	Copy of financial statements (actual and pro forms income statement and a balance sheet). Indicate if financial
		statements are based on a certain geographical area(s) or information in other jurisdictions
	1	Documentation to support the applicant's cash an funding sources.
	[3a-d]	Documentation attesting to the applicant's technical and managerial expertise relative to the proposed service offering(s) and
1	[Ju-u]	proposed service area.
۵	[3a-d]	Documentation indicating the applicant's corporate structure and ownership.
<u>-</u>	[3a-b,3d]	Information regarding any similar operations in other states. Also, if this company has been previously certified in the State of
[ -	[54-0,54]	Ohio, include that certification number.
D	[3a-b,3d]	Verification that the applicant will maintain local telephony records separate and apart from any other accounting records in
[ -	[54 0,54]	accordance with the GAAP.
0	[3a-b,3d]	Verification of compliance with any affiliate transaction requirements.
0	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation as to whether rates are derived through (check all applicable):
	, ,	□ interconnection agreement, □ retail tariffs, or □ resale tariffs.
D	[1,3a-b,3d]	Explanation as to which service areas company currently has an approved interconnection or resale agreement.
	[3a-b,3d, 9a(i-iii)]	
_	[,,(,)	Customer receiving dial tone.
0	[3a,3b,3d,	Tariff sheet(s) listing the services and associated charges that must be paid prior to customer receiving dial tone (if applicable).
	9a,(i-iii)]	,
	[3a-b,3d,8]	Letters requesting negotiation pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and a proposed
	' ' ' '	timeline for construction, interconnection, and offering of services to end users.
	[3-5,7,10-11,13]	Certification from Ohio Secretary of State as to party's proper standing (domestic or foreign corporation, authorized use of
-	( 1,7,7,1,7,1,7,1,7,1,7,1,7,1,7,1,7,1,7,1	fictitious name, etc.). In transfer of certificate cases, the transferee's good standing must be established.
	[3-4,7,10-11,13]	List of names, addresses, and phone numbers of officers and directors, or partners.
	[3]	A sample copy of the customer bill and disconnection notice the applicant plans to utilize.
0	[1,4,9,10-13,16-21]	Copy of superseded tariff sheet(s) & price list(s), if applicable, marked as Exhibit A.
0	[1,4,9,10-13,16-21]	Copy of revised tariff sheets & price lists, marked as Exhibit B.
-	[3]	Provide a copy of any customer application form required in order to establish residential service, if applicable.
X	[1-2,4-7,9,12-	Description of and rationale for proposed tariff changes, including a complete description of the service(s) proposed or affected.
1	13,16,18-23,25]	Specify for each service affected whether it is u business; u residence; or u both. Also indicate whether it is a u switched or u
	,10,10 20,20]	dedicated service. Include this information in either the cover letter or Exhibit C.
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0	[1,2,4,9a(v-vi),	Specify which notice procedure has been/will be utilized:   direct mail;   bill insert;   bill notation or   electronic mail.
	5,10,16,18(b-c),	NOTE:
į l	21]	☐ Tier 1 price list increases must be within an approved range of rates.
		☐ SLF Filings — Do NOT send customer notice until it has been reviewed and approved by Commission Staff
0	(2,4-5,9a(v),	Copy of real time notice which has been/will be provided to customers.
(	9b, 10,12-13,16,	NOTE: SLF Filings - Do NOT send customer notice until it has been reviewed and approved by Commission Staff
	18(b-c),20-21]	
	[1,2,5,9a(v),11-13,	Affidavit attesting that customer notice has been provided.
	18, 21 (increase	
	only)]	
	[2,12]	Copy of Notice which has been provided to ILEC(s).
	[2,12]	Listing of Assigned (NPA) NXX's where in the LECs (NPA) NXX's would be reassigned.
а	[2,4,10,12-13,]	List of Ohio exchanges specifically involved or affected.
<u></u>	[14]	The interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation or mediation.
0	[15]	For commercial mobile radio service providers, a statement affirming that registrant has obtained all necessary federal authority
1		to conduct operations being proposed, and that copies have been furnished by cellular, paging, and mobile companies to this
		Commission of any Form 401, 463, and / or 489 which the applicant has filed with the Federal Communications Commission.
	[15]	Exhibits must include company name, address, contact person, service description, and evidence of registration with the Ohio
<u></u>		Secretary of State.
<u></u>	[24]	Affidavit that total price of contract exceeds total cost of all regulated services.
<u></u>	[5,13]	New title sheet with proposed new company name.
D	[1,3,13]	For CLECs, List of Ohio Exchanges the applicant intends to serve (Use spreadsheet from:
L		http://www.puc.state.oh.us/puco/forms/form.cfm?doc_id=357).
	[1,3a-b,3d,7,	Maps depicting the proposed serving and calling areas of the applicant.
1	10,13, 23]	If Mirroring Large ILEC exchanges for both serving area and local calling areas: • Serving area must be clearly reflected
		on an Ohio map attached to tariffs and textually described in tariffs by noting that it is reflecting a particular large
ł		ILEC/CLEC territory, and listing the involved exchanges. • Local calling areas must be clearly reflected on an Ohio map
		attached to the tariffs, and/or clearly delineated in tariffs, including a complete listing of each exchange being served and all
-	,	exchanges to which local calls can be made from each of those exchanges.
l		If Self-defining serving area and/or local calling area as an area other than that of the established ILEC exchange(s): •
1		Serving Area must be clearly reflected on an Ohio map attached to the tariffs, and textually described in tariffs by listing the
		involved exchanges. • Local Calling Areas must be described in the tariff through textual delineation and clear maps. Maps
		for self-defined serving and local calling areas are required to be traced on United States Geological Survey topography
(		maps. These maps are the Standard Topographic Quadrangle maps, 7.5 minute 1:24,000.
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0		Other information requested by the Commission staff.
	[3]	Initial certification that includes Tier 2 Services, indicate which option you intend to adopt to maintain the tariff:
1		☐ Paper Tariff ☐ Electronic Tariff - If electronic, provide the web address for the tariff:

III. Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with the following requirements in the Service Requirements Form, as well as all pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission with respect to these issues. Further, registrant hereby affirms that it will maintain with its TRF docket an up-to-date, properly marked, copy of the Service Requirements Form available for public inspection.

## MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE AND CTS PROVIDERS:

- [x] Sales tax
- [x] Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS)
- [x] Surcharges

#### MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE PROVIDERS:

[x] 1+ IntraLATA Presubscription

# SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISION OF CERTAIN SERVICES (CHECK ALL APPLICABLE):

- Discounts for Persons with Communication Disabilities and the Telecommunication Relay Service [Required if toll service provided]
- □ Emergency Services Calling Plan [Required if toll service provided]
- □ Alternative Operator Service (AOS) requirements [Required for all providing AOS (including inmate services) service]
- ☐ Limitation of Liability Language [Required for all who have tariff language that may limit their liability]
- Termination Liability Language [Required for all who have early termination liability language in their tariffs]
- ☐ Service Connection Assistance (SCA) [Required for all LECs]
- □ Local Number Portability and Number Pooling [Required for facilities-based LECs]
- D Package Language [Required for tariffs containing packages or service bundles containing both local and toll and/or non-regulated services]

Send your completed Application Form, including all required attachments as well as the required number of copies, to:

# **Public Utilities Commission of Ohio**

Attention: Docketing Division (or to the Telecommunications Division Chief if a prefiling submittal)

180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793

IV.	List names, titles, phone numbers, and addresses of those persons authorized to respond to inquiries from the Consumer Services Department on behalf of the applicant regarding end-user complaints:
	Tom McCloud, Regulator Specialist, (513)397-1312
v.	List names, titles, phone numbers, and addresses of those persons authorized to make and/or affirm or verify filings at the Commission on behalf of the applicant:
	E: An annual report is required to be filed with the Commission by each company on an annual basis. The annual report form will be sent for letion to the address and individual(s) identified in this Section unless another address or individual is so indicated.
VI.	List Name(s), DBA(s) and PUCO Certification Number(s) of any affiliates you have operating in Ohio under PUCO authority, whether Telecommunication or other. (If needed, use a separate sheet and check here:
	AFFIDAVIT  Compliance with Commission Rules and Service Standards
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	an officer of the applicant corporation, <u>Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company</u> , and am authorized to make this statement  (Name of Company)  s behalf. I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS) for the state of
	I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules, including the Minimum
Telep	phone Service Standards, as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply
	the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to
opera	ate within the state of Ohio.
I dec	lare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Exec	cuted on October 21, 2004 at 201 E. Fourth Stree, Cincinnati, Chio 45201 (Date) (Location)  Assistant Secretary October 21, 2004
	*(Signature and Title) (Date)
	* This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.
<u> 10.00</u>	<u>VERIFICATION</u>
I,	D. Scott Ringo Jr. verify that I have utilized, verbatim, the/Commission's/Telecommunications Application Form and that all of the
infor	mation submitted here, and all additional information submitted in council on with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.  Assistant Secretary October 21, 2004  *(Signature and Title)  (Date)
	*Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.

# Gincinnati Bell" A Broadwing company FIAT BUSINESS VS gK. Service Agreement

Pittlemer Norms	CINCINNATI BELL	TELEPHONE	co	Contract No	(09/01)	
AVOIGSS	Address 201 East Fourth Stre	Address 201 East Fourth Street P.O. Box 2301			Order No	
City State Zip Code	City Cincinnati.	State Ohio	Zip Code 45201	CBT Contact Peggy Kelly		
Customer Billing Telephone Number	On Gridge	Omb	40201	Telephone No (513)397-0896		
Check Appropriate Transaction Type:	🛛 Term Pian	☐ Mor	th-To-Month			
Feature Package(s) Optional Feature(a) Plackage(s) Plackage(s) Optional Feature(a)	USOC	Term (Months)	Quantity	Monthly Charge	Installation One-Time Charge	
LINES		36	7	\$ 226.66	\$ 0.00	
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Remarks RENEWAL-SPECIAL PRICING-/36 M	ONTHS	Subtol	al	\$ 226.66	\$ 0.00	
ADDING FAX LINE/FREE INSTALLATI	ON	Attach	al From ed onal Pages			
Secondary Service Location (Address)			Grand Total	\$ 226.66	\$ 0.00	
Street			and Rates Are	Exclusive of Tax, Service Lin	ne, Hunting and End	
City State	Zip Code		and the state	<del></del>		
CUSTOMER'S SIGNATURE ACKNOWLEDG REVERSE SIDE OF THIS AGREEMENT AND T BY CBT. CUSTOMER'S SIGNATURE ACKNO	HESE TERMS AND CONDI	TIONS APPLY	TO THIS ORD	ER AND ANY SUBSEQUEN	ORDERS ACCEPTED	
REPORTING AGENCY OR SOURCE.					71	

	Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company Received By:
(Address)	Accepted By: Jerri Hommer
State Zip Code	Terri Hemmer
(Customer)	(Typed or Printed Name) Sales Manager
By:	(Title) 201 E 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
(Aumorzed Customer Sidnature)	Address Cincinnati, Oh 45202
(Typed Of Primed Name And Title)	City 9/13/04 State Zip Code
(Daté) /	(Date)

# Cincinnati Bell Telephone 1FB Products & Services Agreem Terms & Conditions

- Payment Terms. Invoices for Services an due and payable in U.S. dollars within thirty (30) days of Customer's receipt of invoice (unless otherwise indicated in the Credit Requirements Supplement). Payments not received within thirty (30) days of Customer's receipt of invoice are considered past date. In addition to 25T undertaking any of the actions set forth in this Agroement, if any invoice is not paid when due, CBT may; (1) apply I also charge copul to 1-12% (or the maximum legal rate, if less) of the unpaid balance per mouth; (ii) require an additional Security Departs or other form of accurity; and/or (iii) take any action in connection with any other right or sensety Supplier may have under this Agroement in law or in cogity. If the Customer believes they have been incorrectly billion (causener should contact the CD business office within sixty (40) days @ (313) 566-5030 to initiate a billing review. Invoices for non-regulated services not disputed within sixty (60) days will not be subject to dispute thereafter.
- Additional Assertances. If at any time cluring the term of this Agreement there is a
  material and adverse change in Customer's financial condition, business prospects,
  or payment history, which shall be determined by CBT in its sole and absolute
  discretion, then CBT may demand that Customer deposit with CBT a security deposit or increase the amount of deposit (the "Security Deposit"), as the case m deposit or increase the amount of deposit (the "Security Deposit), as the case may be, pursuant to CBT's standard terms and conditions, as security for the full and faithful performance of Causomer of the terms, conditions, and covenants of this Agreement; provided, however, that in no event shall the amount of the Security Deposit ever exceed two (2) months' estimated or actual Unage Chargest and other tants payable by Customer to CBT hereunder.
- Governine Law. This Agreement stall be construed and enforced in accordance
  with, and the validity and performance hereof, shall be governed by the laws of the
  State of Ohio without regard to its principles of choice of law.
- PORICE, All notices and other consussance assume that it is a consustance and the state of delivery or confirmed facinitie transmission. To be effective, Notices must be delivered to the soldress set forth on the signsture page (1FB Service Agreement Order Form) of this
- 5. Waiver Of Breeth Or Violation Not Deemed Continuing. The waiver by eithe party of a breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate as or be construed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach hereof.
- Bankrander. In the event of the bankruptcy or insolvency of either party or if cither party shall make any assignment for the benefit of creditors or take advantage of any act or law for relief of debtors, the other party to this Agreement shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without further obligation or inbility on its part.
- Butiness Relationship. This Agreement shall not create any agency, employment, joint venture, partnership, representation, or fiduciary relationship between the parties. Neither party shall have the authority to, nor shall any purty attempt to, create any obligation on behalf of the other party.
- Indennity.

  A. Each party shall indemnify, defend, release, and hold harmless the other party, their affiliates, directors, officers, employees, workers, and agents from and against any action, claim, cost damage, demand, loss, penally, or expense including but not limited to sutmorps' feet, expert wincest feet, and costs (collectively "Claim's imposed upon either party by reason of damages to property or personal injuries, including death, as a result of an intentional or negligent act or omission on the part of the indemnitying party in connection with the performance of this Agreement or other selvities relating to the Service, the property, or the facilities which are the subject of this Agreement, in the event a Claim relate to the negligence of both parties, the relative burden of the Claim shall be stributed equitably between the parties in accordance with the principles of comparative negligence.
- B. The term "property" as used in this section shall include real, personal, tangible and intangible property, including but not limited to, data, proprietary information intellectual property, trademarks, copyrights, patents, and knowledge.
- C. The term "personal injuries" shall also include claims of liable, slander, o invasion of privacy, arising, directly or indirectly, out of the provision of Service pursuant to this Agreement.

- D. In the event any action shall be brought against the indemnified party, such party shall immediately notify the indemnifying party in writing, and the indemnifying party, upon the request of the indemnified party, shall assume the cost of the editense thereof on behalf of the hodernified party and is Affiliates and shall pay all expresses and satisfy all judgments which may be incurred by or rendered against the indemnified party and in connection therewith, provided that the indemnified party all all to be liable for any settlement of any such solice offseted without its written consent.
- This Indensification section shall purvive termination of this Agreement
- Authorized Use of Name. Without the other party's prior written consent, neither party shall: (i) refer to itself as an authorized representative of the other in pronottional, advertisting, or other materials; or (ii) use the other party's logos, trade marks, service marks, currier identification codes (CiCls), or any variations thereof is any of its promotional, advertising, or other materials, or in any activity using or displaying the other party's name or the Service(s) to be provided hereuader. Both parties agree to change or correct at their own expense any material or activity the affected party determines to be insecurate, mittending, or otherwise objectionable under this section. Customer the substrained to see the following assements in its sales literature: (i) "Customer utilizes the Cincineasi Bell Telephone network," (ii) "Customer utilizes the Cincineasi Bell Telephone provides only the network facilities," and/or (iv) Cincinnati Bell Telephone is our network provider."
  - Assistance it. Neither party hereto may assign this Agreement without the express written consent of the other party hereto, which contents shall not be unrestousliky withheld. Notwithsteading the foregoing: (i) a security interest in this Agreement may be granted by CBT to any feel neader to secure horwings by CBT or any of its Affiliates; (ii) either party may assign all its rights and obligations hereunder to any Affiliates; and (iii) any subsidiary of CBT may sating may amounte due from Customer to CBT for billing purposes. Affiliate, as used herein, is defined as any entity controlled by, in cantrol of, or under comeon control with the assigning
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- Amendments / Riders. This Agreement may only be modified or supplemented by an instrument in writing accountd by each party.
- Authentic Signature. Both puries agree that a fax aignature constitutes an authentic signature on this Agreement and any additional order forms, supplements, attachments, addends, exhibits or amendments incorporated herein.

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# 1FB Service Agreement Order Form

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#### Cincinnati Bell Telephone 1FB Products & Services Agreement Terms & Co.

- Payment Terms. Invoices for Services an due and payable in U.S. dollars within thirty (30) days of Customer's receipt of revoice collects otherwise indicated in the Credit Requirements Supplements. Payments not received within thirty (30) days of Customer's receipt of invoice are considered past due. In addition to CBT understating any of the actions act forth in this Agreement, if any invoice is not paid when due, CBT may: (i) apply a late charge equal to 1-1/2% (or the maximum legal rate, if less) of the unpaid behance per mouth; (ii) exquire an additional Security Deposit or other form of security; sadder (iii) take any action in connection with any other right or remedy Supplier may have under this Agreement in law or in coulty. If the Customer believes they level been incorrectly billed, Customer should contact the CBT business office within sixty (60) days @ (31)3 566-5950 to initiate a billing review. Invoices for non-regulated services not disputed within sixty (60) days will not be subject to dispute thereafter.
- 2. Additional Assurances. If at any time during the sams of this Agreenous itere is a material and adverse change in Customer's financial condition, business prespects, or payment history, which shall be determined by CBT in its sole and should discretion, then CBT may demand that Customer deposit with CBT a security deposit or increase the amount of deposit (the "Security Deposit"), as the case may be, pursuant to CBT's standard terms and conditions, as executing for the full and faithful performance of Customer of the terms, conditions, such coverants of this Agreement; provided, however, that in no event shall the amount of the Security Deposit ever exceed two (2) months' estimated or actual Usage Charges and other amounts payable by Customer to CBT heretunder.
- Governing Law, This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the validity and performance hereof, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Ohio without regard to its principles of choice of law.
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- 8. Indemnity.
  A. Each party shall indemnify, defend, release, and hold learnless the other party, their affiliates, directors, officers, employees, workers, and agents from and against any action, claim, cost damage, demand, loss, postly, or expense including but not limited to attorneys' fees, expert winness fees, and costs (collectively "Claims") imposed upon either party by reason of damages to property or personal injuries, including death, as a result of an infectional or negligent act or omission on the part of the indemnifying party in connection with the performance of this Agreement or other activities relating to the Service, the property, or the facilities which are the subject of this Agreement. In the event a Claim relates to the negligence of both parties, the relative burden of the Claim shall be attributed equitably between the parties in accordance with the principles of comparative negligence.
  - B. The term "property" as used in this section shall include real, personal, tangible and intengible property, including but not limited to, data, proprietary information intellectual property, medemarks, copyrights, patents, and knowledge.
  - C. The term "personal injuries" shall also include claims of liable, stander, or invasion of privacy, grising, directly or indirectly, out of the provision of Service pursuant to this Agreement.

- D. In the event any action shall be brought against the indemnified party, such party shall immediately notify the indemnifying party in writing, and the indemnifying party, upon the request of the indemnified party, shall assume the cost of the editence thereof on behalf of the indemnified party and is Affiliate and shall pay all exposes and sainfy all judgments which may be incurred by or rendered against the indemnified party or its Affiliates in connection therewith, provided that the indemnified party or its Affiliates in connection therewith, such science of the indemnified party or its Affiliates in connection therewith, such science of the indemnified party shall not be liable for any settlement of any such science affected without its written consent.
- E. This Independing section shall survive termination of this Agreement, regardless of the reason for termination.
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#### PRIME Advantage<sup>SM</sup> Terms and Conditions Rev 8.11.03

#### 1. Tariff Coverage

This PRIME Advantage offering is provided pursuant to the provisions of the Company's General Exchange Tariff filed with and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and the Public Service Commission of Kentucky. The following conditions, while not all inclusive, are among those controlled by the General Exchange Tariff:

- a) If customer terminates a PRIME Advantage Service (which includes the facility, channels and optional features) prior to completion of the 12-month minimum service period or the VTPP contract period, they will be subject to termination charges.
- b) Conditions and regulations concerning the Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP).
- c) Periods of service, including the 12-month minimum period of service. Service periods of 24 months, 36 months and 60 months are also available.
- d) Conditions and regulations concerning upgrades from existing analog trunk service to PRIME Advantage, and applicable non-recurring charges.
- e) Billing for this service.
- f) Limitations of liability.

The General Exchange Tariffs are available for inspection at any company business office.

#### 2. Changes in Service or Rates

Rates shown are those in effect on this date. Quantities shown are based upon information given by the Customer to Company on this date. In the event of (1) a change in the quantity of service requested by Customer and/or (2) the rates shown are not those in effect at the time of installation, an attachment will be provided to Customer by Company which will reflect the actual quantities and rates in effect for this service as installed and billed.

#### 3. Subsequent Customer Orders

Additional channels, or facilities can be added to PRIME Advantage service pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement and the company's General Exchange Tariff.

Additional orders can be coterminous with original expiration date. This contract applies to any additions matching the original expiration date. Additions with new expiration dates will require a new separate contact.

Charges for services not described herein including, but not limited to, service lines, private lines, and other terminal equipment and services are in addition to those specified herein.



#### 4. Termination Charges

- a) If a Customer terminates service, without cause, prior to the expiration of the term, the Customer will pay to CBT a termination charge equal to all remaining amounts due or to become due, including but not limited to all monthly charges for which Customer would have been responsible if the Customer had not terminated prior to the end of the applicable 12, 24, 36 or 60-month term payment plan.
- b) If Customer removes one or more facility(s), channel(s) and/or optional feature(s) from service prior to the expiration of the term hereof, Customer will pay to CBT a termination charge equal to all monthly charges for such facility(s), channel(s), and/or optional feature(s) for which Customer would have been responsible if the Customer had not terminated prior to the end of the applicable 12, 24, 36 or 60-month term payment plan.
- c) If nonrecurring charges associated with the installation of a Service are waived and the service is then terminated prior to completion of the 12-month minimum service period or the VTPP contract period, the customer will become liable for payment of the waived charges.
- d) Commission approval of the termination liability for PRIME Advantage contracts, as described above, is not intended to indicate that the Commission has approved or sanctioned any terms or provisions contained therein. Signatories to such contracts shall be free to pursue whatever legal remedies they may have should a dispute arise.

#### 5. Contract Expiration

If renegotiation of this contract does not occur before expiration, customer will be automatically changed to monthto-month service, subject to the rates and conditions of that service.

#### 6. Upgrades

Customers wishing to upgrade existing analog trunk service or TRUNK Advantage to PRIME Advantage will not be charged installation for the number of existing trunks/channels that are moved to PRIME Advantage, initial charges for facilities, features, and additional channels will still apply.

Customers wishing to upgrade existing TRUNK Advantage service to PRIME Advantage can terminate their current contract without penalty under the condition that a new PRIME Advantage contract is signed.

Customers wishing to change existing PRIME Advantage service to TRUNK Advantage service can terminate their current contract without penalty under the condition that a new TRUNK Advantage contract is signed. All installation charges for TRUNK Advantage service will apply.

# 7. Compliance with Tariff

Customer agrees to comply with all of the provisions of the General Exchange Tariffs applicable to this service. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this agreement and the Company's General Exchange Tariffs, the provisions of the General Exchange Tariffs will take precedence and be controlling



#### Additional Terms

General terms and conditions for PRIME Advantage contracts are explained in the tariff. This explanation is for clarification and situations outside of those covered by the general terms and conditions.

- If tariffed rates go up before the expiration of a customer's contract, the customer will remain at the lower
  contracted rates until contract expiration.
- If tarified rates go down before the expiration of a customer's contract, they will have the option to recast their
  contract for another 12-month minimum, 24-month, 36-month, or 60-month service period at the new tariffed
  rates. This is not an automatic process, it must be customer initiated.
- If the PRIMB Advantage facility is maintained, a customer may add, delete or change channels from their
  existing service without a new contract.
- If a customer wishes to add facilities to their current service, a new contract should be signed. There are two
  scenarios a customer can choose from:
  - The new contract can end coterminously with the original contract and follow the same rate structure. If
    this is the case, it must be stated in the remarks section of the contract, and referred to the original
    contract number. Be sure to state the date of expiration.
  - The new contract can be separate with its own expiration date and rates following the current tariffed rate structure.
- If the Customer believes they have been incorrectly billed, Customer should contact the CBT business office
  within sixty (60) days @ (313) 566-5050 to initiate a billing review. Invoices for non-regulated services not
  disputed within sixty (60) days will not be subject to dispute thereafter.
- If a customer moves their business to another location within our operating territory prior to the expiration of
  their contract, the contract will move with them. They will not suffer termination penalties unless they lessen
  the number of PRIME Advantage facilities at the new location. The contract will continue with the original
  expiration date and rate structure. The customer will be subject to all normal installation and service charges
  associated with moving the service.





# MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT Contract # THER-5XSSFS

This Master Service Agreement (the "Agreement"), is entered into by and between Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, an Ohio corporation, having its principal place of business at 201 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 ("CBT"), and Company of the Company

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, CBT and Customer desire to continue a long term business relationship covering the provision of a wide variety of telecommunications services by CBT to Customer for its locations on a contractual basis;

WHEREAS, the specific parameters and conditions of the provisions of those services and related goods will be set forth in separate documents attached hereto or executed from time to time (the "Schedules" or singularly, the "Schedule"); and

WHEREAS, CBT and Customer wish to set forth in this Agreement certain terms and provisions that will govern the CBT and Customer relationship and the Schedules;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>.

The following definitions shall apply to this Agreement and, unless otherwise provided therein, shall also apply to the Schedules. The definitions shall apply equally to both the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The words "shall" and "will" are used interchangeably throughout this Agreement and the use of either connotes a mandatory requirement. The use of one or the other shall not mean a different degree or right or obligation for either Party. The use of the term "Agreement" shall be deemed to refer to the entire agreement between the Parties consisting of this Agreement and includes each Schedule.

- 1.1 <u>Applicable Laws</u> means all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, laws, rules, regulations, codes, final and nonappealable orders, decisions, injunctions, judgments, awards and decrees that relate to a Party's obligations under this Agreement.
- 1.2 <u>Information</u> means any writing, drawing, sketch, model, sample, data, computer program, software, verbal communication, e-mail, recording or documentation of any kind.
- 1.3 Party means (i) CBT or (ii) Customer; and "Parties" means (i) and (ii).



Proprietary Information - means any Information communicated, whether before, on or after the Effective Date, by a Party ("Disclosing Party") to the other Party ("Receiving Party"), pursuant to this Agreement and if written, is marked "Confidential" or "Proprietary" or by similar notice or if oral or visual, is identified as "Confidential" or "Proprietary" at the time of disclosure; or if by electronic transmission (including, but not limited to, facsimile or electronic mail) in either human readable or machine readable form, and is clearly identified at the time of disclosure as being "Proprietary" or "Confidential" by an appropriate and conspicuous electronic marking within the electronic transmission, which marking is displayed in human readable form along with any display of the "Proprietary" or "Confidential" information; or if by delivery of an electronic storage medium or memory device which is clearly identified at the time of disclosure as containing "Proprietary" or "Confidential" information by an appropriate and conspicuous marking on the storage medium or memory device information by an appropriate and conspicuous marking on the storage medium or memory device information, which marking is displayed in human readable form along with any display of the "Proprietary" or "Confidential" information.

#### SERVICES.

The specific terms and conditions applicable to the particular services to be provided by CBT pursuant to this Agreement, including the description of the services to be provided and the obligations of each Party in connection therewith, applicable rates, fees, commissions and charges, termination rights, performance obligations and service parameters are or shall be set forth in the Schedules. Any future Schedules entered into between the parties shall reference and be governed by the terms of this Agreement. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and a Schedule, the terms of the Schedule shall prevail. The particular services to be provided by CBT pursuant to such separate Schedules shall include, but are not limited to the following services:

Prime Advantage

- LAN Advantage
- Internet (FUSE Dedicated)
- Long Distance (CBAD Dedicated)
- Metroplex

## 3. <u>EOUIPMENT WARRANTY, USE AND MAINTENANCE</u>.

CBT will maintain the equipment used to provide service under the applicable Schedules, in good working order during the term specified in the applicable Schedule, except Customer premise equipment ("CPE") provided as part of any LAN Advantage service, subject to the exclusions set forth under Section four (4) entitled Warranty Exclusions. Customer will permit CBT access to equipment on Customer's premises used to provide service hereunder and CBT will comply with the Customer's security and safety regulations at Customer's site. Repair parts or replacement parts may be new, remanufactured or refurbished at the discretion of CBT. Customer will not make any modifications to the equipment used to provide service hereunder without the written permission of CBT and will pay the cost of any repairs necessitated by unauthorized work.

#### WARRANTY EXCLUSIONS.

- 4.1 The warranties provided under Section three (3) do not cover services required to repair damages, malfunctions or failures caused by: (a) Customer's failure to follow CBT's written operation or maintenance instructions provided to Customer; (b) Customer's unauthorized repair, modifications or relocation of equipment used to provide services hereunder, or attachment to such equipment of non-CBT equipment; and (c) abuse, misuse or negligent acts. CBT may perform services in such instances on a time and materials or contract basis.
- 4.2 CBT will not be liable to Customer or third parties for any claims, loss or expense of any kind or nature caused directly or indirectly by: (i) interruption or loss of use or loss of business; or (ii) any consequential, indirect, special or incidental damages suffered by Customer or third parties whatsoever.



4.3 EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED HEREIN AND ANY SCHEDULES, CBT, ITS SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS (EXCEPT AS EXPRESSED IN WRITING BY THEM) MAKE NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIM ANY WARRANTY OR MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

#### 5. TITLE OR RISK OF LOSS OF EQUIPMENT.

- 5.1 For equipment sold and installed to Customer by CBT, title shall pass to Customer on the In-Service Date. Risk of loss shall pass at the time of delivery.
- 5.2 For all other equipment used in the provision of services under any of the Schedules, title shall remain solely with CBT, whether or not attached to or embedded in realty, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties. CBT will bear the risk of loss or damage to the equipment used in the provision of service, except that Customer will be liable to CBT for the cost of repair or replacement of equipment lost or damaged as a result of Customer's negligence, intentional acts, unauthorized installation or maintenance or other causes within the control of customer, its employees, agents or subcontractors.

#### 6. TERM.

The Agreement terms and conditions shall be effective for an initial period of thirty-six (36) months. If renegotiation of this Agreement does not occur before expiration, it will be automatically changed to a month-to-month term. The term of each Schedule shall be as set forth therein.

#### 7. GOVERNING LAW.

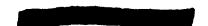
This Agreement shall be deemed to be a contract made under the laws of the State of Ohio, and the internal laws of such state shall govern the construction, interpretation and performance of this Agreement, without reference to conflicts of law provisions. Any legal action between the parties arising under this Agreement must be filed within two (2) years after the cause of the action arises.

#### 8. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.

During the term of this Agreement and for two years thereafter, neither party shall disclose any terms or pricing contained in this Agreement or any confidential information disclosed by the other party. Confidential information shall remain the property of the disclosing party and shall be labeled as either "Confidential" or "Proprietary".

#### 9. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES.

- 9.1 The parties will attempt in good faith to resolve any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement promptly through discussions between themselves at the operational level. In the event a resolution cannot be reached at the operational level, the disputing party shall give the other party written notice of the dispute and such controversy or claim shall be negotiated between appointed counsel or senior executives of the parties who have authority to settle the controversy. If the parties fail to resolve such controversy or claim within thirty (30) days of the disputing party's notice, either party may seek arbitration as set forth below.
- 9.2 Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or a breach of this Agreement, shall be finally settled by arbitration in Cincinnati, Ohio and shall be resolved under the laws of the State of Ohio without regard to choice of law provisions. The arbitration shall be conducted before a single arbitrator in accordance with the commercial rules and practices of the American Arbitration Association then in effect.



9.3 The arbitrator shall have the power to order specific performance if requested. Any award, order, or judgment pursuant to such arbitration shall be deemed final and binding and may be enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction. The parties agree that the arbitrator shall have no power or authority to make awards or issue orders of any kind except as expressly permitted by this Agreement, and in no event shall the arbitrator have the authority to make any award that provides for punitive or exemplary damages. All such arbitration proceedings shall be conducted on a confidential basis. The arbitrator may, as part of the arbitration award, permit the substantially prevailing party to recover all or part of its attorney's fees and other out-of-pocket costs incurred in connection with such arbitration.

#### 10. TERMS OF PAYMENT.

Invoices for Services are due and payable in U.S. dollars within thirty (30) days of invoice date. Payments not received within thirty (30) days of invoice date are considered past due. In addition to CBT undertaking any of the actions set forth in this Agreement, if any invoice is not paid when due, CBT may: (i) apply a late charge equal to 1-1/2% (or the maximum legal rate, if less) of the unpaid balance per month; (ii) require an additional Security Deposit or other form of security; and/or (iii) take any action in connection with any other right or remedy CBT may have under this Agreement in law or in equity. If the Customer believes they have been incorrectly billed, Customer should contact the CBT business office within sixty (60) days @ (513) 566-5050 to initiate a billing review. Invoices for non-regulated services not disputed within sixty (60) days will not be subject to dispute thereafter.

#### 11. TERMINATION.

Notwithstanding the provisions regarding the Term and Termination Charges of each Schedule, and in addition to the parties' rights of termination specifically provided elsewhere in this Agreement, the following shall apply:

- 11.1 In the event that one party breaches any material obligation provided hereunder, excluding payment obligations, or in such Schedule (other than Customer's payment obligations), the other party shall give the breaching party written notice of the breach and request that the breach be cured ("Cure Notice"). If the breaching party fails to cure the specified breach within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Cure Notice (or such other mutually agreed upon time), the other party shall have the right to terminate the Schedule, effective upon five (5) days prior written notice to the breaching party ("Termination Notice"). The right of CBT and the Customer to terminate in any such case shall be in addition to any other rights and remedies they may have hereunder or at law or in equity.
- 11.2 A party may, at its option, terminate a Schedule effective immediately upon written notice upon the occurrence of an "Insolvency Event of Default" (as defined below) with respect to the other party. The occurrence of any one or more of the following events shall constitute an "Insolvency Event of Default": the other party admits in writing its inability to pay its debts generally or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; any affirmative act of insolvency by the other party or the filing by or against the other party (which is not dismissed within ninety (90) days of any petition or action) under any bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency arrangement, liquidation, dissolution or moratorium law, or any other law or laws for the relief of, or relating to, debtors; or the subjection of a material part of the other party's property to any levy, seizure, assignment or sale for or by any creditor, third party or governmental agency.
- 11.3 Customer shall have the right to terminate any Schedule for convenience at any time upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to CBT. The termination charge will be considered to be liquidated damages and will be CBT's sole remedy against Customer for early termination, except for outstanding charges. The termination liability language contained within the applicable Schedule is not intended to indicate that the Commissions have approved or sanctioned the specific termination charges contained herein. Signatories to the Agreement shall be free to pursue whatever legal remedies they may have should a dispute arise.
- 11.4 One or more Schedules may be terminated by the Parties without causing a termination of this Agreement or other Schedules.



## 12. <u>INDEMNIFICATION.</u>

Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless CBT and its parent company, affiliates, employees, directors, officers, and agents from and against all claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, damages, liabilities, losses, and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) incurred as a result of claims for damage to property and/or personal injuries (including death) arising directly out of the performance of obligations under this Agreement. A party shall notify the other party and describe the claim or action within fourteen (14) days of becoming aware of the claim or action itself. Customer may undertake the defense of any such claim or action and permit CBT to participate therein. The settlement of any such claim or action by Customer without CBT's prior written consent, shall release the CBT from its obligations hereunder with respect to such claim or action so settled.

#### 13. <u>LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY</u>.

CBT's liability arising out the provision of: (i) the provision of Services; (ii) delays in the restoration of Services; or (iii) arising out of mistakes, accidents, omissions, interruptions, errors or defects in transmission, or delays caused by judicial or regulatory authorities, shall be subject to the limitations set forth below and in the applicable Tariff. IN NO EVENT SHALL CBT BE LIABLE TO CUSTOMER. CUSTOMER'S OWN CUSTOMERS, OR ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT UNDER ANY CONTRACT, WARRANTY, NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, OR OTHER THEORY FOR ANY TYPE OF INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, RELIANCE, ACTUAL, SPECIAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, OR FOR ANY LOST PROFITS. LOST REVENUES, OR LOST SAVINGS OF ANY KIND, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT WHETHER OR NOT CBT OR CUSTOMER WAS ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES AND WHETHER OR NOT SUCH DAMAGES WERE FORESEEABLE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "CBT" IS DEEMED TO INCLUDE CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, AND ITS RESPECTIVE SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES, AND THE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS OF EACH OF THEM.

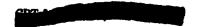
The Parties hereto agree that the termination liabilities and the limitations on liability contained in this Agreement are fair and reasonable adjustments to the uncertain and difficult to ascertain damages which might arise under this Agreement and are intended to be reasonable allocations by the Parties of the business risks inherent in this Agreement.

#### 14. RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH PARTY.

Each Party has and hereby retains the right to exercise full control of and supervision over its own performance of its obligations under this Agreement and retains full control over the employment, direction, compensation and discharge of their respective employees assisting in the performance of such obligations. Each Party will be solely responsible for all matters relating to payment of such employees, including compliance with social security taxes, withholding taxes and all other regulations governing such matters. Except for the limitations on liability as otherwise provided in this Agreement, each Party will be responsible for its own acts and those of its employees, agents, and contractors during the performance of that Party's obligations hereunder.

#### 15. SECURITY AND ACCESS.

Employees and agents of CBT and its subsidiaries, while on the premises of Customer, will comply with all reasonable rules, regulations and security requirements of Customer.



#### 16. WORK ON CUSTOMER'S PREMISES.

CBT shall comply with all applicable laws and will indemnify and hold Customer harmless from and against any claims, demands, suits losses, damages, costs and expenses arising out of CBT's noncompliance with any such laws. If CBT's work under any Schedule involves operations by CBT on the premises of Customer, CBT shall take all necessary precautions to prevent the occurrence of any injury to person or property during the progress of such work. Except to the extent such injury is the result of Customer's negligence or willful misconduct, CBT shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless Customer against any claims, demands, suits, losses, damages, costs and expenses which are proximately caused by CBT's employees or agents against Customer, or which are due from any negligent act or omission of CBT, including its employees, agents and subcontractors.

#### 17. CUSTOMER OBLIGATIONS.

Prior to requesting repair service from CBT, Customer will use its best efforts, including but not limited to performing reasonable diagnostic tests, to verify whether any trouble with the Service is a result of the Customer's equipment or facilities. Customer shall be responsible for any such trouble resulting from the Customer's equipment or facilities. Customer will cooperate with any joint testing of the Service reasonably requested by CBT.

#### 18. SYSTEM MAINTENANCE,

In the event CBT determines that it is necessary to interrupt Services or that there is a potential for Services to be interrupted for the performance of system maintenance, CBT will use good faith efforts to notify Customer prior to the performance of such maintenance and will schedule such maintenance during non-peak hours (midnight to 6:00 am. local time). In no event shall interruption for system maintenance constitute a failure of performance by CBT.

#### 19. SUBCONTRACTING.

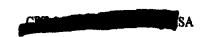
CBT may subcontract work to be performed under this Agreement, but shall retain responsibility for the work.

#### 20. CHANGES IN LAWS.

This Agreement is predicated upon current state and federal laws and regulations. If new laws or regulations or new applications of current law and regulations affect this Agreement, either Party may request on thirty (30) days' written notice that one or more provisions be renegotiated consistent with the changed circumstances.

## 21. FORCE MAJEURE.

No party shall be held liable for any delay or failure in performance of any part of this Agreement, including any Schedule, caused by a force majeure condition, including fires, embargoes, explosions, power blackouts, earthquakes, volcanic action, floods, wars, water, the elements, labor disputes (such as a work stoppage)), civil disturbances, government requirements, civil or military authorities, acts of God or a public enemy, inability to secure raw materials, inability to secure product of manufacturers or outside vendors, inability to obtain transportation facilities, acts or omissions of transportation common carriers, or other causes beyond its reasonable control whether or not similar to the foregoing conditions. If any force majeure condition occurs, the Party whose performance fails or is delayed because of such force majeure condition ("Delayed Party") shall promptly give written notice thereof to the other Party. The Delayed Party shall use all best efforts to avoid or mitigate performance delays despite a force majeure condition, and shall restore performance as soon as the force majeure condition is removed.



#### 22. GOOD FAITH PERFORMANCE.

Each Party shall act in good faith in its performance under this Agreement and, in each case in which a Party's consent or agreement is required or requested hereunder, such Party shall not unreasonably withhold or delay such consent or agreement, as the case may be.

#### 23. NO LICENSE.

Except as expressly provided in this Agreement or a Schedule, no license under patents, copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade names or other indicia of origins, or any other intellectual property right (other than the limited license to use consistent with the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Agreement) is granted by either Party or shall be implied or arise by estoppel with respect to any transactions contemplated under this Agreement.

#### 24. AMENDMENTS; WAIVERS.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, no amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, and no consent to any default under this Agreement, shall be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by an authorized official of the Party against whom such amendment, waiver or consent is claimed. In addition, no course of dealing or failure of any Party to strictly enforce any term, right or condition of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of such term, right or condition.

#### 25. NOTICES.

All notices, demands, requests, elections, or other communications provided under this Agreement or which may be given by one Party to the other Party under this Agreement and to the extent a notice relates to an alleged breach, termination, or other claim under a Schedule, such notice shall be made in writing (unless specifically provided otherwise herein) and unless otherwise specifically required by this Agreement to be delivered to another representative or point of contact, shall be (a) delivered personally, (b) delivered by express delivery service, (c) mailed, first class, certified mail postage prepaid, return receipt requested or (d) delivered by telecopy; provided that a confirmation copy is sent by the method described in (a), (b) or (c) of this Section, to the following addresses of the Parties:

To CBT:	To Customer.
Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company Attn: Contract Manager Room 102-1136 201 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202	Ohio Valley Flooring Attn: 5555 Murray Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45227

and

Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company Atm: Sales Mansger (Ohio Valley Flooring's Acct) Room 102-1136 201 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

Changes in notice designation shall be made in writing and shall be deemed effective upon receipt. Notices will be deemed given as of the earlier of (i) the date of actual receipt, (ii) the next business day when notice is sent via express mail or personal delivery, (iii) four (4) business days after mailing in the case of first class, certified U.S. mail or (iv) on the date set forth on the confirmation in the case of telecopy.



#### 26. NO RIGHTS TO THIRD PARTIES.

This Agreement shall not be deemed to provide third parties with any remedy, claim, right of action or other right.

#### 27. SEVERABILITY.

If any term, condition, or provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not invalidate or render unenforceable the remainder of this Agreement; and, unless such construction would be unreasonable, this Agreement shall be construed as if not containing the invalid or unenforceable provision or provisions and the rights and obligations of each Party shall be construed and enforced accordingly. If necessary to affect the intent of the Parties, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to amend this Agreement to replace the unenforceable language with enforceable language that reflects such intent as closely as possible.

#### 28. ASSIGNMENT.

Customer will not resell or permit any third party to use any of the services provided by CBT hereunder. Neither Customer nor CBT may assign this agreement without the prior written consent of the other party, which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. CBT shall not be required to obtain consent in the case of a sale of all or substantially all the assets of CBT or an assignment to an entity directly or indirectly owning or controlling, owned or controlled by, or under common control with the assigning party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CBT shall retain the right to terminate this Agreement without further obligation or liability to Customer, its successors or assigns, if, in its sole and exclusive judgment any assignment or purported assignment by Customer is to be made to a competitor of CBT.

#### 29. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: CONTINUING OBLIGATIONS.

- 29.1 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties concerning the subject matter hereof. All prior agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, understandings, proposals, and undertakings, oral or written, with respect to the subject matter thereof are superseded and replaced by the provisions of this Agreement.
- 29.2 Irrespective of any provision contained in this Agreement or in a Schedule to the contrary, the following provisions of this Agreement shall take precedence over, supercede and control any conflicting provision (or the absence of a provision) in each of the Schedules heretofore or hereinafter executed by the parties: Articles 7 through 10 and Articles 12 through 31.
- 29.3 Any liability or obligation of any Party to the other Party for acts or omissions prior to the cancellation or termination of this Agreement, any obligation of any Party to make payments, any obligation of any Party under the provisions of Article 8 hereof regarding Confidential Information, Article 9 hereof regarding resolution of disputes, Articles 12 and 19 hereof regarding indemnification, and Article 13 regarding limitations on liability, and any provisions that, by their terms, are contemplated to survive (or be performed after) termination of this Agreement, shall, in each case, survive cancellation or termination of this Agreement.
- 29.4 The rights and obligations under this Agreement shall survive any merger or sale of either party and shall be binding upon the successors and permitted assigns of each party.

### 30. REGULATORY APPROVAL: TARIIFS.

This Agreement is subject to applicable regulatory requirements. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and applicable regulatory requirements, such regulatory requirements will take precedence and be controlling. The obligations of CBT and Customer under this Agreement may be contingent upon approval of this Agreement by applicable regulatory agencies, including the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and Public Services Commission of Kentucky. The regulations and rates specified herein are in addition to applicable regulations and rates set forth in CBT's tariffs on file with regulatory agencies.

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#### 31 BUSINESS DOWNTURN.

In the event of a business downturn beyond Customer's control, a corporate divestiture, or a network optimization using other services provided by CBT, any of which significantly reduces the volume of services required by Customer, with the result that Customer will be unable to meet its revenue and/or volume commitments under this Agreement (notwithstanding Customer's best efforts to avoid such a shortfall), CBT and Customer will use reasonable efforts to develop a mutually agreeable alternative proposal that will satisfy the concerns of both parties and comply with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements. By way of example, and not limitation, such alternative proposal may include changes in pricing, non-recurring charges, revenue and/or volume commitments, discounts, or multi-year service commitments.

# 32. <u>TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE</u>.

If at any time during the Term of this Agreement Customer desires to migrate to a new telecommunications service provided by CBT, that Customer and CBT agree would meet Customer's needs more efficiently than the services hereunder, CBT will amend this Agreement to include such service upon request of Customer.

#### 33. EXECUTED IN COUNTERPARTS.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of whom shall be an original, but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

#### 34. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The titles and headings of Articles and Sections of this Agreement have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are not to be considered a part hereof and shall in no way define, modify, or restrict the meaning or interpretation of the terms or provisions of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first written below.

CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Printed Name: Jeremy Geise

Title: Sales Mahager

Date: 8/17/04

#### SCHEDULE 1 TO MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT

# FAND CBT PRIME ADVANTAGE SERVICE AGREEMENT

#### 1. TERM

Unless otherwise renewed or terminated in accordance with the provisions herein, the Term of this Schedule shall become effective on the provisioning date ("Effective Date") and shall continue for thirty-six (36) months ("Term"). If renegotiation of this Schedule does not occur before expiration, this Schedule will be automatically changed to month-to-month service, subject to the rates and conditions of that service.

#### 2. DEFINITIONS

Prime Advantage — is a high-speed, high-capacity switched digital interface carrying 24 channels between customer's premise (ISDN compatible PBX, router, bridge, computer interface or other CPE) and a CBT central office. Each Prime Advantage facility consists of up to 23 bearer channels (B channels) for circuit-switched voice, video and data, and a separate delta channel (D channel) dedicated to perform monitoring and signaling for the B channels.

#### **SERVICES AND RATES**

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Master Service Agreement and this Schedule, CBT shall provide Customer with Prime Advantage ("PRI Service") and Customer shall pay CBT the monthly recurring charges as follows:

Murray Avenue Location:

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
Each Facility	Each 2-Way / DID Channels	<u>Each</u> Caller ID	Each DID # 20 Blocks	TOTAL Monthly Each (Based On 1 Each O (1) & (3), 9 Each o (4), and 23 of (2)
\$430.84	\$9.70	\$0.00	*\$0.00	653.94

- Additional DID # 20 Blocks @ \$4.15/ea.
- •• Installation charges waived.
- \*\*\* Additional Port, EUCL, 911 & USF charges estimated at \$66.14/mo.

Bethany Road Location:

\$430.84	\$9.70	\$0.00	*\$0.00	653.94
Each Facility	Each 2-Way / DID Channels	<u>Each</u> Caller ID	Each DID # 20 Blocks	TOTAL Monthly Each (Based On 1 Each Of (1) & (3), 4 Each of (4), and 23 of (2)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	

- Additional DID # 20 Blocks @ \$4.15/ea.
- \*\* Installation charges waived.
- \*\*\* Additional Port, EUCL, 911 & USF charges estimated at \$66.14/mo.

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All prices and rates are exclusive of Port, EUCL, 911, USF, surcharges and taxes. Any other regulated services not listed herein which are provided by CBT to Customer, shall be governed by the rates, terms, and conditions of the appropriate tariff. CBT shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and codes (collectively, "Legal Requirements") in connection with the provision of the PRI Service.

#### 4. TERMINATION CHARGES

- 4.1 In the event that PRI Service (which includes the facility, channels and optional features) under this Schedule is terminated by Customer for convenience or for reasons other than CBT's breach of this Schedule prior to the expiration of the Term, the Customer will pay a termination charge equal to all remaining amounts due or to become due, including but not limited to all monthly charges for which Customer would have been responsible if the Customer had not terminated prior to the expiration of the Term.
- 4.2 If Customer removes one or more facility(s), channel(s) and/or optional feature(s) from service prior to the expiration of the term hereof, Customer will pay to CBT a termination charge equal to all monthly charges for such facility(s), channel(s), and/or optional feature(s) for which Customer would have been responsible if the Customer had not terminated prior to the end of the expiration of the Term.
- 4.3 If nonrecurring charges associated with the installation of PRI Service are waived and the PRI Service is then terminated prior to the expiration of the Term, the customer will become liable for payment of the waived charges.

# SCHEDULE 2 TO MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN

# LAN ADVANTAGE SERVICE AGREEMENT

#### 1. TERM

Unless otherwise renewed or terminated in accordance with the provisions herein, the Term of this Schedule shall become effective on the provisioning date ("Effective Date") and shall continue for thirty-six (36) months ("Term"). If renegotiation of this Schedule does not occur before expiration, this Schedule will be automatically changed to month-to-month service, subject to the rates and conditions of that service.

#### 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 LAN Advantage® the engineering, installation, maintenance and repair services provided by CBT to Customer necessary to interconnect multiple LANs to form a MAN for data transmission.
- 2.2 <u>Customer's location</u> a location specified by the customer for the purposes of terminating network such as the customer's premises or the building where the off-premises extension terminates.
- 2.3 <u>Demarcation Point</u> the point of physical separation of CBT's network, and associated responsibilities, from Customer's network and associated responsibilities. The location of the Demarcation Point shall be the physical interface for LAN Advantage® service presented by CBT to Customer.
- 2.4 Local Area Network (LAN) a network connecting computers and other peripheral equipment for data communications over a limited geographical area, usually within a single building or among a few buildings.
- 2.5 <u>Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)</u> a network connecting computers and other peripheral equipment for data communications over a larger geographical area than a LAN, usually within a city or region.
- 2.6 <u>Permanent Virtual Circuits (PVC)</u> a static logical connection used in packet and cell switched networks between two end points. Permanent Virtual Circuits support long-term ongoing connections between data termination equipment. Permanent logical paths are assigned exclusively to each permanent circuit in the network.

# 3. SERVICES AND RATES

- 3.1 Subject to the terms and conditions of the Master Service Agreement and this Schedule, CBT shall provide Customer with LAN Advantage® service ("LAN Advantage®") and Customer shall pay CBT for LAN Advantage® at the applicable monthly rate for the type of LAN Advantage® (and any optional features for LAN Advantage®) selected by the Customer, as indicated on LAN Advantage® Customer Agreement ("Attachment A") to this Schedule. In addition, Customer shall pay to CBT the applicable per port nonrecurring charge set forth on Attachment A. Any other regulated services not listed herein which are provided by CBT to Customer, shall be governed by the rates, terms, and conditions of the appropriate tariff. CBT shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and codes (collectively, "Legal Requirements") in connection with the provision of the LAN Advantage®.
- 3.2 Customer may move the location of its LAN Advantage® to a location where sufficient central office capacity and outside plant facilities are available and retain the current contract term and monthly rates, but initial nonrecurring charges will be reapplied. The termination charges outlined in Schedule 6 are applicable if Customer terminates this LAN Advantage® because of a move to a location where sufficient central office capacity or outside plant facilities are not available.

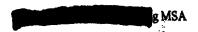
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#### 4. PROVISIONING

- 4.1 CBT will provide LAN Advantage® for one or more of the following types of LANs, as specified by Customer on the Attachment A: (i) Ethernet LANs operating at a Native Mode of 1.544 Mbps, (ii) Ethernet LANs operating at a Native Mode of 10 Mbps, and (iii) Ethernet LANs operating at a Native Mode of 100 Mbps (a.k.a., GigE or 1 Gigabit), (v) Mbps LANs using FDDI operating at a Native Mode of 100 Mbps, Permanent Virtual Circuits (PVC), facilities redundancy, and the other "optional" features relating to LAN Advantage® set forth on the attached Attachment A are also available to Customer at rates, terms and conditions to be agreed upon.
- 4.2 CBT will provision LAN Advantage® in proper working order on CBT's side of the Demarcation Point by the agreed upon installation date.
- 4.3 If a major outage to CBT's network occurs, including LAN Advantage® CBT will use reasonable efforts to restore LAN Advantage® service as soon as reasonably possible, subject to any federal or state laws or regulations that may specify priority for restoration of telephone service, including without limitation, the National Security Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications Service Priority System.
- 4.4 CBT will furnish Customer with a telephone number, which Customer will use to report any trouble with LAN Advantage®.
- 4.5 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, CBT will provide LAN Advantage® for data transmission only.
- 4.6 The electrical signals of LAN Advantage® operate in compliance with the following American National Standard Institute ("ANSP") or IEEE standards: (i) for Ethernet LANs operating at a Native Mode of 384 Kbps, 768 Kbps, 1.544 Mbps, 3 Mbps, 4.5 Mbps, 6 Mbps, 10 Mbps, IEEE Standard 802.3 or 100 Mbps and 1000 Mbps (a.k.a., GigE or 1 Gigabit), IEEE Standard 802.3u (Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications) and (ii) for LANs using FDDI operating at a Native Mode of 100 Mbps, ANSI Standard X3T9.5 (Media Access Control, Control, Physical Layer and Physical Medium Dependent).
- 4.7 LAN Advantage® supports the following interfaces: (i) RJ45 10 base T and 100 base T connections, for Ethernet LANs operating at Native Mode of 384 Kbps, 768 Kbps, 1.544 Mbps, 3 Mbps, 4.5 Mbps, 6 Mbps, 10 Mbps or 100 Mbps, and (ii) SX or LX Gigabit Interface Connectors for Ethernet LANs operating at a Native Mode of 1000 Mbps (a.k.a., GigE or 1 Gigabit), and (iii) ST, SC and MIC connections for LANs using FDDI operating at a Native Mode of 100 Mbps.
- 4.8 An initial port is required in order to provide LAN Advantage® to a Customer's location. Additional ports are only available to a Customer's location with at least one initial port.
- 4.9 Additional port discounts do not apply to different customers at the same location.
- 4.10 The Customer must subscribe to the initial port in order to subscribe to an additional port. If the initial port is terminated at a Customer's location, then all LAN Advantage® will be terminated at that location unless Customer wants to re-specify one of the additional ports as the initial port with the appropriate rates applied. An additional port can be terminated without terminating the initial port to a Customer's location.
- 4.11 If the Customer subsequently orders an additional port and the contract period for the initial port has not expired, then the following applies: a) the contract period selected for an additional port must be equal or shorter than the remaining contract for the initial port or b) the contract period for the initial port will be extended to be coterminous with the contract period selected for the additional ports.



#### 5. REPAIR - RESPONSE TIME

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5.1 CBT will use its best efforts to repair any inoperable LAN Advantage® port within four (4) hours after a reactive or proactive trouble ticket is opened with CBT that such port is inoperable. If such port remains inoperable for more than eight (8) hours after a trouble ticket has been opened, CBT will credit Customer's account for an amount equal to one-thirtieth (1/30) of the applicable monthly charge for such port. The same credit will apply for each additional eight (8) hour period that the port remains inoperable. The total amount of all credits for any one (1) inoperable port will not exceed the monthly port charge for such inoperable port. The credit referred to herein shall be CBT's entire liability and Customer's exclusive remedy for any damages resulting from such inoperable port.

#### 5.2 Performance Standards of the LAN Advantage Network are as follows:

	Response Time
Mean time to respond at the port level	30 minutes
Mean time to repair at the port level	2 hours

Response Time shall mean that CBT is aware of the problem, and a ticket is opened either reactively or proactively and CBT is beginning to take action to resolve the issue.

#### 6. MAINTENANCE

When a Customer reports a trouble to CBT and the problem is not found in the CBT's facilities, the Customer is responsible for a payment of Maintenance of Service charge for the period of time from when the technician is dispatched to when the work is completed. The Maintenance of Service charges are as follows:

- a) \$ 31.50 for the first 15 minutes or fraction thereof
- b) \$ 9.00 for each additional 15 minutes or fraction thereof

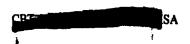
If CBT personnel initially fail to find trouble in CBT facilities, but later discover that the trouble was indeed facilities related, then Maintenance of Service charges will not apply.

Cincinnati Bell Telephone can continue to test/diagnose the problem on the Customer's premises at the rate of \$175.00 per hour, billable in half-hour increments, with a two (2) hour minimum.

Cincinnati Bell Telephone can also be contracted to engineer and optimize the Customer's network by working on the Customer's premises. The rate for this enhanced service is \$250.00 per hour, billable in half-hour increments, with a two (2) hour minimum. This service would typically be independent of a trouble shooting dispatch, or in conjunction with a major problem/initiative, and would be initiated by the Customer.

#### 7. TERMINATION CHARGES

7.1 In the event that LAN Advantage® under this Schedule is terminated by Customer for convenience or for reasons other than CBT's breach of this Schedule prior to the expiration of the Term, the Customer will pay a termination charge equal to all remaining amounts due or to become due, including but not limited to all monthly charges for which Customer would have been responsible if the Customer had not terminated prior to the expiration of the Term.



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- 7.2 If customer cancels, in whole or in part, any requested addition, rearrangement, relocation or other modification to LAN Advantage® under this Schedule prior to completion thereof, Customer will reimburse CBT for the actual expenses incurred by CBT in connection with such modification prior to CBT's receipt of notice of cancellation; provided, however, the amount of such reimbursement will not exceed the service, construction, installation, termination and other charges for which Customer would have otherwise been responsible.
- 7.3 If Customer removes one or more ports from service under this Schedule prior to the expiration of term hereof, Customer will pay CBT a termination charge equal to all monthly charges for such port(s) for which Customer would have been responsible had Customer not removed such port(s).
- 7.4 If nonrecurring charges associated with the installation of LAN Advantage® are waived and the LAN Advantage® is then terminated prior to the expiration of the Term, the customer will become liable for payment of the waived charges.