# Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company LLC and Consolidated Communications of Vermont Company LLC (d/b/a "Consolidated Communications")

### **Wholesale Performance Plan**

Maine New Hampshire Vermont



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#### INTRODUCTION

This document and its appendices describe the wholesale services metrics and performance standards applicable to Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company LLC and Consolidated Communications of Vermont Company LLC (collectively "Consolidated Communications"). This document consists of two major sections and seven supporting appendices, which collectively are referred to as the "Wholesale Performance Plan," "WPP," or "Plan." The WPP is a self-executing remedy plan that ensures Consolidated Communications will provide services, access and interconnection to Competitive Local Exchange Carriers ("CLECs") consistent with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, State law and regulation, and stipulations between the CLECs and Consolidated Communications.

The metrics used to measure performance set forth in Section 2 are referred to as the "WPP Guidelines" or "Guidelines." The "Wholesale Performance Plan Performance Reports" generated in accordance with the WPP Guidelines, inclusive of the bill credit calculation results, are referred to as the "WPP Performance Reports" or "WPP Reports" or "Reports." The WPP Guidelines and Reports replace in their entirety the Carrier-To-Carrier "C2C" Guidelines and C2C Reports and the Performance Assurance Plan "PAP" and PAP Reports. An "eligible CLEC" is one that has established a CLEC profile with Consolidated Communications and purchases services, interconnection and/or access covered by the scope of the Plan within a given month. Monthly CLEC results (CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate) reported in this plan include all eligible CLEC transactions. For each state, CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate WPP Performance Reports will be produced pursuant to the Guidelines on a monthly basis. Any CLEC that wishes to obtain its CLEC specific WPP Report must establish or update its CLEC profile with Consolidated Communications. <sup>1</sup>

Section 1 of the WPP contains the terms and provisions of the WPP, including the methodologies used to measure wholesale service performance and calculate bill credits. Section 2 (Guidelines) defines the metrics used to measure and report wholesale service performance. Metric definitions, performance standards, measurement calculations, reporting levels, and geographic levels are set forth in the Guidelines section. The Appendices contain detailed information relevant to Sections 1 and 2.

A CLEC currently subscribed to receive CLEC-specific C2C and PAP reports on the effective date of the WPP will be converted automatically to receive its WPP Performance Report.

#### SECTION 1: TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF WHOLESALE PERFORMANCE PLAN

#### A. OVERVIEW

The WPP is designed to be an administratively simple plan that measures Consolidated's wholesale service performance and provides bill credits to CLECs for transactions when the performance standard is scored as a "miss." For each state, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, Consolidated Communications will report its performance on the WPP on a monthly basis. Within 28 days of the close of the month in which performance is being reviewed, WPP credits will be calculated for each CLEC and WPP Reports will be issued.

To the extent that a CLEC is entitled to performance bill credits under an interconnection agreement between the CLEC and Consolidated Communications signed prior to the effective date of this WPP, such interconnection agreement bill credits will be credited against and reduce any amount due to the CLEC under the WPP.

#### 1. Measures and Standards

Metrics eligible for bill credits are specified in Section 2 (Guidelines) and Appendix 4. Appendix 4 identifies the specific methodology used to calculate individual bill credits if performance is missed as well as the applicability of small sample size rules. Metrics reported for diagnostic purposes, which are not subject to performance bill credits, are specified in Section 2 and listed in Appendix 5. The metrics defined in Section 2 use standards and measures, including individual data points, to track and report Consolidated Communications' performance. Standards for some metrics are based on analogous Consolidated Communications retail services to ensure parity of service. Performance standards for other metrics are based on benchmarks. For some metrics, data is reported for diagnostic purposes only.

#### B. METRICS SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE BILL CREDITS

Bill credits are calculated either on a "per measure" or a "per unit" basis. Per Measure metrics have specified dollar amounts at risk that will be allocated to impacted CLECs across the three NNE states if performance is scored as a "miss." The total amount of dollars to be credited for the per measure metrics

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Performance scored as a "miss" shall not be considered as an admission against interest or an admission of liability, and performance scored as a "met" will not be considered determinative of wholly satisfactory performance, in a proceeding unrelated to the WPP.

depends on the severity of the missed performance. Per unit metrics subject to performance bill credits have a specified dollar amount per transaction to be credited to each CLEC for all eligible missed transactions.

For metrics where parity with Consolidated Communications' retail service is the performance standard, the WPP uses statistical methodologies as the primary means to determine if "parity" exists between Consolidated Communications' wholesale and retail performance. The statistical methodology utilized is described in Appendix 1.

Metrics subject to performance bill credits that have a "parity" standard are scored as "met" or "miss" based on the statistical analysis and the magnitude of the Z-statistic for the month.

Metrics subject to performance bill credits that have a "benchmark" standard are scored as "met" or "miss" based on an evaluation of the measured performance's relationship to the metric standard.

#### 1. Assessing Performance

Metrics with Performance Bill Credits payable on a per unit basis have one of two types of performance standards: benchmark or parity. For metrics with "parity" standards, Consolidated Communications will convert the values calculated by the statistical methods specified in Appendix 1 to equivalent standard normal Z-scores. These equivalent Z scores will be converted into a performance score for each measure as follows:

Statistical Score	Performance Score
Z <= -1.645	Miss
Z > -1.645	Met

For parity measures that meet the minimum sample size criteria set forth in Appendix 1, Fisher's Exact Test or the permutation test will be applied to obtain the statistical score, which will be converted into a performance score. For parity measures that do not meet the minimum sample size criteria, an "SS" for "small sample" will be reported.

Measures with benchmark standards will be given a performance score of "met" or "miss" depending on the actual performance results compared to the performance standard for that measure. For measures with benchmark standards that have a small sample size, a small sample size table contained in Appendix 2 will be applied to obtain the performance scores.

#### 2. Per Measure Bill Credit Calculations

For metrics with performance credits payable on a per measure basis (shown in Appendix 4 as performance credit methodology "M"), bill credits will be calculated according to Table 1 (below) which specifies the performance ranges applicable to a performance miss at the minor, moderate and major level. The amount to be allocated to CLECs for missed performance is based on the degree to which the benchmark performance standard is missed. Table 1 also specifies the total monthly amount (for all three states combined) of bill credits that will be issued by Consolidated and posted on CLEC BANs. The allocation to individual CLECs is described in subsection (a) below.

Table 1. Per Measure Performance Bill Credits (Methodology "M")

Metric #	Metric Title	Performance Standard	Minor \$15,000	Moderate \$30,000	Major \$45,000
PO-2-02-6000	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	≥ 99.5%	≥ 99% and < 99.5%	≥ 98% and < 99%	< 98%
PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	≥ 95%	≥ 90% and < 95%	≥ 85% and < 90%	< 85%
PO-4-01-6671	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	≥ 95%	≥ 90% and < 95%	≥ 85% and < 90%	< 85%
PO-4-03-6600	Change Management Notice - Delay ≥ 8 days	≤ 8 days	> 8 days and < 10 days	≥ 10 days and < 13 days	≥ 13 days
PO-6-01-6000	Software Validation	≤ 5%	> 5% and ≤ 10%	> 10% and ≤ 15%	>15%
PO-7-01-6000	% Software Problem Resolution Timeliness	≥ 95%	≥ 90% and < 95%	≥ 85% and < 90%	< 85%
PO-7-02-6000	Delay Hours - Software Resolution - Change - Transactions failed - no workaround	≤ 48 hours	> 48 hours and ≤ 72 hours	> 72 hours and ≤ 96 hours	> 96 hours
PO-7-03-6000	Delay Hours - Software Resolution - Change - Transactions failed with workaround	≤ 10 days	> 10 days and < 15 days	≥ 15 days and < 20 days	≥ 20 days
PO-7-04-6000	Delay Hours - Failed/Rejected Test Deck Transactions - Transactions failed no workaround	≤ 48 hours	> 48 hours and ≤ 72 hours	> 72 hours and ≤ 96 hours	> 96 hours
BI-9-01-3000	% Billing Completeness in 12 Billing Cycles	≥ 96%	≥ 92% and < 96%	≥ 88% and < 92%	< 88%

#### a. Allocation of performance bill credits for per measure metrics.

With the exception of BI-9-01, % Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles, per measure performance is calculated for all eligible CLECs in the aggregate across Consolidated Communications.

Any bill credits due individual CLECs will be allocated based on the individual CLEC's portion of total orders provisioned for Resale, LNP and UNE products for the current month period as well as lines in service for Resale and UNE 2-Wire loops (analog, digital and xDSL). The total performance bill credit amount set forth in Table 1 will be issued and posted to CLEC BANs and will be allocated among CLECs that receive bill credits under the Plan.<sup>3</sup> Sixty percent (60%) of the credits due will be allocated using orders provisioned in the current report month.<sup>4</sup> Forty percent (40%) of the credits due will be allocated using lines in service as of the current report month.<sup>5</sup>

For example: If PO-2-02-6000, OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time, missed the performance standard of 99.5% with performance of 97.8%, the performance standard would be missed at the "Major" level, resulting in total bill credits of \$45,000. Of that amount, \$27,000 (60% of the \$45,000) would be allocated based upon order volume and \$18,000 (40% of the \$45,000) would be allocated based upon lines in service. Example 1, below, provided purely for illustrative purposes, shows a hypothetical allocation of credits for a population size of six CLECs across the three NNE states.

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A CLEC need not receive bill credits in a particular month in order to qualify for per measure credits.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Provisioned orders are the sum of the denominators of PR-4-01-3211, PR-4-01-3213, PR-4-04-2000, PR-4-04-3113, PR-4-05-2000, PR-4-05-3113, PR-4-07-3540, PR-4-14-3343 and PR-9-01-3520.

Lines in service are the sum of the denominators of MR-2-01-3200, MR-2-02-2000, MR-2-02-3112 and MR-2-02-3343.

Example 1

	State	Provisioned Orders (60%)	% of Total	Allocation to Orders	Lines in Service (40%)	% of Total	Allocation to Lines in Service	Total Credit
CLEC A	ME	700	20%	\$5,400	ı	0%	\$0	\$5,400
CLEC B	ME	350	10%	\$2,700	18,000	20%	\$3,600	\$6,300
CLEC C	ME	350	10%	\$2,700	18,000	20%	\$3,600	\$6,300
CLEC A	NH	350	10%	\$2,700	ı	0%	\$0	\$2,700
CLEC D	NH	350	10%	\$2,700	13,500	15%	\$2,700	\$5,400
CLEC E	NH	700	20%	\$5,400	22,500	25%	\$4,500	\$9,900
CLEC E	VT	350	10%	\$2,700	4,500	5%	\$900	\$3,600
CLEC F	VT	350	10%	\$2,700	13,500	15%	\$2,700	\$5,400
Totals		3,500	100%	\$27,000	90,000	100%	\$18,000	\$45,000

BI-9-01, % Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles, is reported on a 3-state aggregate level and on a per state basis at a CLEC-specific level. If performance at the aggregate 3-state level is a met no bill credits will be calculated. If performance at the aggregate 3-state level is a miss, bill credits will be allocated to CLECs as to which the reported service results at a state level were below the 96% standard.

Example 2, provided for illustrative purposes below, demonstrates the allocation of credits for a population size of six CLECs (CLECs A – F) across the three NNE states. This example assumes that the 3-state aggregate result for the BI-9-01 metric is a miss at the moderate level (i.e., reported results are  $\geq$  88% and < 92%, which is below the performance standard of  $\geq$  96%), therefore, a \$30,000 bill credit would be due to CLECs whose reported service results at the state level were below the 96% standard. **Example 2** 

CLEC	State	≥ 96% Standard Met/Miss	nominator or BI-9-01	enominator for Credit Allocation	% of Total Allocation	formance Credit location
CLEC A	ME	Miss	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	20%	\$ 6,000
CLEC B	ME	Miss	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	10%	\$ 3,000
CLEC C	ME	Miss	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000	15%	\$ 4,500
CLEC A	NH	Miss	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000	15%	\$ 4,500
CLEC D	NH	Met	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 0	0%	\$ 0
CLEC E	NH	Miss	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	20%	\$ 6,000
CLEC A	VT	Met	\$ 500,000	\$ 0	0%	\$ 0
CLEC E	VT	Miss	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	10%	\$ 3,000
CLEC F	VT	Miss	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	10%	\$ 3,000
Total (all CLECs all States)	All		\$ 6,500,000	\$ 5,000,000	100%	\$ 30,000

#### 3. Per Unit Bill Credit Calculations

Each metric shown in Appendix 4 with performance credits payable on a per unit basis has a methodology assigned in the column labeled "Performance Credit Methodology." These methodologies are defined as follows:

**Table 2. Performance Credit Methodologies** 

Performance Credit Methodology	Type Measure	Eligible misses if standard is missed (rounded to the nearest whole number):
А	Benchmark – Average Response Time Metrics	Quantity of transactions with response time greater than 1.5 times the performance standard. Performance evaluated across all three NNE states. Individual Rule does not apply.
В	Benchmark – Percentage where lower is better (LIB)	(Actual % minus Benchmark %) multiplied by volume in denominator. Individual Rule does not apply to PO-1-08.
С	Benchmark – Percentage where higher is better (HIB)	(Benchmark % minus Actual %) multiplied by volume in denominator.
D	Parity – Percentage where lower is better (LIB)	(CLEC Actual % minus Retail actual %) multiplied by volume in denominator.
E	Parity – Percentage where higher is better (HIB)	(Retail Actual % minus CLEC Actual %) multiplied by volume in denominator.
F	Parity – Average	Quantity of transactions with performance worse than retail average.
G	Benchmark – Total Delay Days Collocation	Cumulative delay days for all collocation arrangements with missed arrangements. Eligible Misses are equal to the numerator.
Н	Benchmark – Percentage where higher is better (HIB). (Performance based on statistically valid sample of orders.)	(Benchmark % minus Actual %) multiplied by volume of manually confirmed orders, from which the sample is derived.
I	Benchmark – Average	Benchmark – Average quantity of transactions with performance worse than standard.

For measures where performance is calculated as to individual CLECs, if Consolidated Communications's overall (CLEC-aggregate) performance score for a metric falls below the standard in any given month, bill credits will be calculated for each CLEC as to which performance is missed. Bill credits will be determined by multiplying the dollar value per transaction amount for each metric shown in Appendix 4 by the quantity of that CLEC's eligible missed transactions for the metric, as defined in the methodologies above.

#### a. Aggregate Rule:

If performance to all CLECs in aggregate is calculated as a miss, CLECs receiving performance worse than the standard will receive bill credits for each eligible miss. For metrics with a parity standard, the retail performance calculated for that performance month is considered the standard. For benchmark metrics, performance is compared to the benchmark standard. Small sample size rules do not apply to performance to individual CLECs if the aggregate CLEC result is a miss.

#### b. Individual Rule:

If performance to all CLECs in aggregate is calculated as a met, CLECs receiving performance scored as a miss may still receive performance bill credits for eligible misses. For parity metrics, individual CLEC Z scores will be calculated. An individual CLEC Z score less than or equal to -1.645 indicates a miss. For benchmark metrics, performance is compared to the benchmark standard. See Table 2 (Performance Credit Methodologies) for exceptions to application of Individual Rule. Additionally, Individual Rule does not apply to the Methodology M metrics listed in Table 1. Small sample size rules apply except for specified metrics where the small sample size rules are not applicable. See Appendix 4 for exceptions.

Parity metrics utilize the statistical methodologies in Appendix 1. Benchmark metrics compare calculated results to the benchmark, subject to the small sample size rules as described in Appendix 2.

If performance to an individual CLEC over a two-month consecutive period reflects a "miss" for any metric subject to the small sample size rules while the reported CLEC-aggregate results are a "met," a CLEC receiving such performance results may request Consolidated Communications to perform a detailed review of the missed performance for the CLEC.

#### 4. Per Measure/Unit Bill Credit Escalations

Consolidated's performance for bill-credit eligible metrics at the aggregate level shall be subject to escalating bill credit amounts pursuant to Table 2 below for misses in three or more consecutive months (starting in month 3) or if performance is missed in three of six non-consecutive months. There are three escalation methods.

Escalation Method 1 applies to all PO, OR and NP metrics plus the MR-1 metrics. The escalator starts in month three at a rate of 2 times (200% of) the base rate. The dollar amounts increase for each consecutive month of missed performance by an additional multiple of 0.5 times (50% of) the metric base rate. The escalator

is capped in month nine at 5 times (500% of) the base rate such that for continuing missed performance in month 10 and beyond the escalator remains at 5 times (500% of) the base rate. The escalator for the PO-1 and MR-1 metrics does not apply until missed performance for three or more consecutive months is equal to or greater than 200% of the performance standard.

Escalation Method 2 applies to all PR, MR (except MR-1) and BI metrics. The escalator starts in month three at a rate of 2 times (200% of) the base rate. The dollar amounts increase for each consecutive month of missed performance by an additional multiple of 1 times (100% of) the metric base rate. The escalator is capped in month 6 at 5 times (500% of) the base rate such that for continuing missed performance in month 7 and beyond the escalator remains at 5 times (500% of) the base rate.

Table 2. Per measure/unit bill credit escalation schedule

Consecutive Months Performance Standard is Missed									
Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9+
Escalation Method 1	-	-	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0
Escalation Method 2	-	-	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

Escalation Method 3 applies to all metrics in all domains. All metrics are subject to a bill credit escalator of 2.5 times (250% of) the base metric rate when performance is missed in 3 of 6 non-consecutive months. Specifically, if the standard for a metric is missed for the month under evaluation and two other months in a period of five prior consecutive months, the metric will be subject to an escalator for the month under evaluation that is 2.5 times the base metric rate. The 3 of 6 month escalator for the PO-1 and MR-1 metrics does not apply until missed performance for three of six non-consecutive months is equal to or greater than 200% of the performance standard. The 3 of 6 month escalator is only invoked in months when the applicable consecutive months escalator (Escalation Method 1 or 2) does not apply.

#### C. MONTHLY REPORTS

#### 1. Performance Results and Bill Credits

In order to ensure there is timely information available regarding Consolidated Communications' wholesale services performance, Consolidated Communications will report performance by state on a monthly

basis. Consolidated Communications will make monthly CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate reports available for each state, upon request, to each CLEC purchasing wholesale services from Consolidated in Maine, New Hampshire or Vermont.

The CLEC-aggregate report will provide a state summary of aggregate performance results and bill credit by metric. CLEC-specific reports will provide performance results and bill credit amounts, if any, by metric due each individual CLEC. See Sample Report at Appendix 6. CLEC-specific reports are proprietary to the CLEC. CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate monthly reports will be made available to CLECs in electronic format via Consolidated Communications' wholesale web portal within 28 days of the end of each calendar month. Additionally, Consolidated Communications will file copies of the respective state-aggregate report with the respective state Public Utilities Commission or Public Service Board within 28 days of the end of each month.

#### 2. Performance Bill Credit Payments

Should Consolidated Communications' performance under this Plan trigger an obligation to issue bill credits to an eligible CLEC, Consolidated Communications shall post such bill credits to that CLEC's designated billing account within 30 days of the published WPP report. Each CLEC may specify a local wholesale billing account number ("BAN"), or sequential list of local wholesale BANs, per state, to which such bill credits will be posted by Consolidated Communications. If a CLEC has waived payment of bill credits pursuant to a commercial agreement or other legal agreement with Consolidated Communications or any affiliated entity Consolidated Communications shall pay an amount equal to that month's waived bill credits to a designated state fund. In Maine the fund is the Maine Telecommunications and Education Access Fund (MTEAF) established pursuant to 35-A M.R.S. §7104-B and Chapter 285 of the Commission's Rules. In New Hampshire the fund is the Telecommunications Planning and Development Fund established under N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann §12-A:45-a. In Vermont the fund is the Connectivity Initiative established in 30 V.S.A §7515.b.

If the monthly bill credit due a CLEC exceeds the monthly balance due Consolidated Communications on the CLEC's designated BAN, the net balance will be carried as a credit on the CLEC's designated BAN and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> If the 28<sup>th</sup> day is a weekend or holiday, the monthly reports will be provided by the next business day.

Depending on a CLEC's scheduled bill cycle date, such bill credits may not be reflected on a CLEC's invoice within 30 calendar days.

applied as a credit on the next month's invoice and thereafter on subsequent invoices until such time as all bill credits have been applied in full.

At such time as a CLEC discontinues all services with Consolidated Communications, Consolidated Communications will issue a check in the amount of any outstanding credit less any amount owed to Consolidated Communications for any service provided by Consolidated Communications.

#### D. LATE OR INACCURATE REPORTS

The WPP includes the following provisions to address late or inaccurate WPP Reports. Late or inaccurate WPP penalties shall not be considered under Section F "Cap on Total Annual Bill Credits". For Maine and Vermont total penalties paid for both late and inaccurate reports are subject to a state cap of \$60,000 annually or \$5,000 per month.

#### 1. Late Performance Reports:

If the Consolidated performance data and associated WPP Reports are not posted to the Consolidated website on the due day, <sup>8</sup> Consolidated shall issue bill credits in the amount of \$250 per day, per state, for each day the WPP Reports or raw data files are late. <sup>9</sup> Such bill credits will be allocated among eligible CLECs pursuant to Section 1.B(2)(a) of this Plan.

#### 2. Inaccurate Reports:

Consolidated will have an ongoing responsibility to identify and correct any inaccuracies in its monthly WPP Reports (including, without limitation, bill credit calculation and posting). CLECs receiving monthly Reports shall likewise review Consolidated's monthly WPP Reports and identify possible inaccuracies utilizing the information provided by Consolidated Communications and the CLEC's own records. CLECs shall notify Consolidated Communications via the Wholesale Help Desk (WHD) of potential inaccurate or late reports.

Consolidated Communications and CLECs each have the responsibility to notify one another of inaccuracies within 30 days of discovery. 

If Consolidated Communications and CLECs agree the WPP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> If the 28<sup>th</sup> day is a weekend or holiday, the monthly reports will be provided by the next business day.

CLECs shall access their monthly reports and notify Consolidated Communications within 10 business days of the due date if its monthly reports are not available or accessible on the Consolidated Communications website.

CLECs must report any alleged inaccuracies within 90 days of issuance of the affected monthly report.

Report(s) contain error(s), Consolidated Communications will calculate the effect of such error(s) on an aggregate and CLEC-specific basis. If the effect of the error(s) is material, <sup>11</sup> Consolidated Communications will correct and reissue all affected WPP Reports and data, and post corrective credits as follows:

- (a) If the error was identified by an audit, the period of time covered by the audit and all subsequent period of time after the audit period that identified such error, <sup>12</sup> or
- (b) If the error was discovered by or reported to Consolidated Communications, the period will encompass the monthly reports generated after the data month in which the error was discovered or reported and the prior 11 months reports. If correction of the error(s) increases or decreases, on average over the restated prior 12 month period, credits under the WPP by \$1,000 per month for an individual CLEC or \$5,000 per month on an aggregate CLEC basis, Consolidated Communication shall also correct and reissue the monthly reports for an additional prior 12 month period (i.e., reissue a total of 24 months reports.).

Revised Reports correcting material error(s) will be filed within 60 days of confirmation of the error(s).

If Consolidated Communications cannot revise a monthly report to correct a material error that would increase bill credits for one or more CLECs due to an issue within Consolidated Communications' control such as capturing and/or retaining the requisite data, Consolidated Communications will pay a surrogate bill credit in the impacted month(s). The surrogate credit will be equal to the greater of: 1) the monthly average bill credits paid in aggregate on that metric over the most recent six month period of accurate reporting less the amount of any bill credits previously issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s); or 2) a per metric credit of: PO, OR & MR-1 = \$500, PR, MR (other than MR-1), NP & BI = \$1,000, less any bill credits issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s). Surrogate bill credits shall be subject to the escalation provisions set forth in Section 1.B.4. Surrogate bill credits will be allocated among eligible CLECs based on the allocation of bill credits issued within the most recent six month period of accurate reporting less the amount of any bill credits previously issued for that metric in the impacted month(s). If no bill credits exist in that six month

<sup>12</sup> Any bill credits determined to be due as a result of an audit or commission sanctioned review are retroactive for a maximum period of 12 months.

A material error is one where the correction of that error, or a combination of errors, would increase or decrease credits under the WPP for the month (determined at base escalation level) by at least \$1,000 for an individual CLEC or \$5,000 on an aggregate CLEC basis.

period, the volume of transactions (denominator values) in the previous six month period will be used to allocate credits to individual CLECs less the amount of any bill credits previously issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s).

Non-material errors will be corrected on a prospective basis, beginning 30 days from confirmation of the error.

Consolidated Communications shall post corrective and/or surrogate bill credits to all affected CLEC BANs within 30 days of reissuance of the previously erroneous WPP Report(s). In addition to the posting of corrective and/or surrogate credits, Consolidated Communications shall also post bill credits equal to the greater of (i) interest on the corrective and/or surrogate credits at the interest rate Consolidated Communications charges CLECs for late payments under its wholesale tariffs or (ii) an inaccuracy penalty of 15% of the corrective or surrogate credits. Consolidated Communications shall not be responsible for paying interest or an additional inaccuracy penalty if Consolidated Communications identifies and corrects an inaccuracy within 30 days of issuance of the first report in which an inaccuracy appeared. To the extent the correction of an inaccuracy decreases Consolidated Communications' liability for bill credits previously posted to CLEC BANs, Consolidated Communications may offset such over-issuance only through a corresponding reduction in the posting of future bill credits otherwise due the affected CLECs.

Consolidated Communications and the CLEC(s) will consult with one another and attempt in good faith to resolve any issues regarding the accuracy or integrity of data collected, generated, and reported pursuant to the WPP. If Consolidated Communications and the CLEC(s) cannot agree on whether a WPP Report is incomplete or erroneous, or if they cannot agree on whether an inaccuracy is material, either Consolidated Communications or the CLEC(s) may file a petition asking the Commission to resolve the dispute. If the Commission determines that one or more WPP Report(s) were incomplete or erroneous, said Report(s) shall be corrected and credits adjusted, as appropriate, in accordance with the provisions stated above.

With approval of the Commission, or authorized Staff, a CLEC may initiate an independent audit or review conducted by a qualified independent third-party, at the CLEC's expense. Such audit or review will be

of this WPP agreement, or any applicable Commission/Board Order.

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In Maine and Vermont CLECS in aggregate may initiate only one audit per calendar year. In New Hampshire a CLEC may not request, pursuant to these provisions, more than one audit or review within a six month period, and may not request an audit or review of the same performance measurement more than once in a twelve calendar month period. These provisions do not modify a CLEC's audit rights under other provisions

limited to the data collection, computing, and reporting process issue(s) raised by the CLEC. Consolidated Communications shall have the opportunity to review the independent third-party's proposed audit or review approach, fees and schedule, upon proposal of the audit or review to the Commission or Staff. Any concerns between the parties regarding the proposed audit or review costs, approach and schedule are to be negotiated in good faith.

In the event the audit or review affirms the issue initially presented by the CLEC and denied by Consolidated Communications, as materially affecting reported performance results, Consolidated Communications shall reimburse the CLEC for the costs of the independent third-party audit or review. Consolidated Communications agrees to inform all CLECs via Accessible Letter of any problem identified during an audit/review initiated by any CLEC. The CLEC-initiated audit or review is distinct from the Commission-directed audit addressed separately in Section I of this Plan.

#### E. DATA RETENTION

Consolidated Communications shall retain the monthly WPP Reports and supporting documentation, including raw data files used to calculate monthly WPP performance results and generate the WPP Reports, for a period of 36 months. The data retained shall be sufficient to perform an audit of Consolidated Communications' monthly WPP Reports.

#### F. CAP ON ANNUAL BILL CREDITS

There will be an annual and quarterly cap on total bill credits issued to CLECs under the Plan, for each State. The cap will encompass those bill credits actually posted to CLEC BANS or paid into a designated state fund or missed performance (including escalators).

. The cap amounts are as follows:

Maine \$4.75 million (\$1,187,500 per quarter\*)
 New Hampshire \$4.75 million (\$1,187,500 per quarter\*)
 Vermont \$2.50 million (\$625,000 per quarter\*)

\* Unused bill credits carry over to subsequent quarters in same calendar year

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In Maine the fund is the Maine Telecommunications and Education Access Fund (MTEAF). In New Hampshire the fund is the Telecommunications Planning and Development Fund. In Vermont the fund is the Connectivity Initiative established in 30 V.S.A §7515.b.

#### G. EXCEPTIONS PROCESS

Consolidated Communications or a CLEC may petition the Commission/Board to have the monthly performance results modified based on the exception conditions described below.

#### 1. Consolidated Communications Exceptions

#### a. Clustering

The first ground for filing an Exception involves the potential for "clustering" of data, and the effect that such clustering has on the statistical models used in the WPP. Clustering occurs when individual items (failed orders, troubles, etc.) are clustered together due to a single event. In some instances, for parity measures, events included in the performance measures of provisioning and maintenance of telecommunication services are not independent. The primary example of such non-independence is a cable failure, in which case several troubles would be associated with the same event. Another example is a situation in which a CLEC has a small number of orders in a single location with a facility problem. The lack of independence is referred to here as "clustering" of data. Accordingly, Consolidated Communicationswill have the right to file an exception to the performance scores in the WPP if the following events occur:

- i. Event-Driven Clustering e.g., Cable Failure: For example, if a significant proportion of a CLEC's troubles are in a single cable failure, Consolidated Communications will provide data demonstrating that all troubles within that failure, including the ILEC troubles, were resolved in an equivalent manner. Consolidated Communications also will provide the repair performance data with that cable failure performance excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and the ILEC and the remaining troubles will be compared according to normal statistical methodologies.
- ii. <u>Location-Driven Clustering e.g., Facility Problems</u>: For example, if a significant proportion of a CLEC's missed installation orders and resulting delay days were due to an individual location with a significant facility problem, Consolidated Communications will provide the data demonstrating that the orders were "clustered" in a single facility shortfall. Consolidated Communications will provide the provisioning performance with that data excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and the ILEC and the remaining troubles will be compared according to normal statistical methodologies. Additional location-driven clustering may be demonstrated by disaggregating performance into smaller geographic areas.

iii. <u>Time-Driven Clustering – e.g., Single Day Events</u>: For example, if a significant proportion of CLEC activity, provisioning, or maintenance occurs on a single day within a month, and that day represents an unusual amount of activity in a single day, Consolidated Communications will provide the data demonstrating the activity is on that day. Consolidated Communications will compare that single day's performance for the CLEC to the ILEC performance. Consolidated Communications will provide data with that day excluded from overall performance to demonstrate "parity."

If a clustering event negatively influences Consolidated Communications's performance on any metric, Consolidated Communications will be permitted to petition for relief within twenty one (21) calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. The Exception petition, which will be filed with the Commission/Board and served on the appropriate CLEC or CLECs, will provide appropriate, detailed documentation of the events, and will demonstrate that clustering caused Consolidated Communications to miss the metric standard. Consolidated Communications' petition must include all data that demonstrates how/why the measure was missed. It should also include modified results information that excludes the data affected by the clustering. The specific CLEC(s) implicated in the exception petition and other interested parties will be given an opportunity to respond to any Consolidated Communications petition for an Exception. If the Commission/Board determines that the service results were influenced by clustering, the data will be excluded from the previously reported monthly results, and any associated bill credits will be adjusted accordingly. Consolidated Communications will revise and re-post all affected monthly CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate reports within 45 days of the Commission/Board determination.

#### b. CLEC Behavior

The second ground for filing an Exception relates to individual CLEC behavior. If performance for any measure (parity or benchmark) is impacted by unusual CLEC behavior, Consolidated Communications will bring such behavior to the attention of the CLEC and attempt to resolve the problem. Examples of CLEC behavior that may influence performance results include:

- i. poor order quality, such as missing codes, incorrect codes or misspelled directory listings;
- actions that cause excessive missed appointments, such as wrong addresses, wrong due dates
   or offered intervals shorter than the standard interval;

- iii. actions resulting in excessive multiple dispatch and repeat reports, such as incorrect dispatch information or inadequate testing by a CLEC;
- iv. inappropriate coding on orders, such as where extended due dates are desired and are not coded as such; and/or
- v. delays in rescheduling appointments when Consolidated Communications has missed an appointment.

If a CLEC's action negatively influences Consolidated Communications' performance on any metric, Consolidated Communications will be permitted to petition for relief within twenty one (21) calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. The Exception petition, which will be filed with the Commission/Board and served on the CLEC, will provide appropriate, detailed documentation of the events, and will demonstrate that the CLEC behavior caused Consolidated Communications to miss the metric standard. Consolidated Communications' petition must include all data that demonstrates how/why the measure was missed. It should also include modified results information that excludes the data affected by the CLEC behavior. The specific CLEC(s) implicated in the exception petition and other interested parties will be given an opportunity to respond to any Consolidated Communications petition for an Exception. If the Commission/Board determines that the service results were influenced by inappropriate CLEC behavior, the data will be excluded from the previously reported monthly results and any associated bill credits will be adjusted accordingly. Consolidated Communications will revise and re-post all affected monthly CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate reports within 45 days of the Commission/Board determination.

#### c. Situations Beyond Consolidated Communications' Control

The third ground for filing an Exception relates to situations beyond Consolidated Communications' control that negatively affect its ability to meet measures with benchmark standards or to report monthly performance results. The performance requirements dictated by benchmark standards establish the quality of service under normal operating conditions, and do not necessarily establish the level of performance to be achieved during periods of emergency, catastrophe, natural disaster, severe storms, work stoppage, or other Force Majeure events beyond Consolidated Communications' control. Consolidated Communications may petition the Commission/Board for a waiver of specific performance results for benchmark metrics if Consolidated Communications' performance results do not meet the specific standard or petition for a waiver

from monthly performance reporting requirements if a Force Majeure event impedes Consolidated Communications' ability to report performance results.

Any Exception petition pursuant to this provision shall clearly and convincingly demonstrate the extraordinary nature of the circumstances involved, the impact the circumstances had on Consolidated Communications' wholesale service quality, why Consolidated Communications' normal, reasonable preparations for abnormal situations may have proved inadequate, and the specific dates Consolidated Communications' service performance was adversely affected by the event. The petition shall also include an analysis for informational purposes of the extent to which the parity metrics (retail and wholesale) also were affected by the subject event.

Consolidated Communications' petition must be filed within 21 calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. CLECs and other interested parties may file an initial reply to the petition within 21 calendar days of the filing. The Commission/Board shall endeavor to issue its ruling within 90 calendar days of the petition filing date.

The Commission/Board shall determine which, if any, of the daily and monthly results should be adjusted in light of the extraordinary event cited, and will have full discretion to consider all available evidence submitted. Insufficient filings may be dismissed for failure to make a *prima facie* showing that relief is justified.

#### 2. CLEC Exceptions:

Each month each CLEC will have the right to challenge the allowable misses that Consolidated Communications may exercise pursuant to the small sample size table for performance measures with benchmark standards. If a CLEC exercises this right, it must file a petition with the Commission/Board demonstrating that the exclusion will have a significant impact on the operations of the CLEC's business and that Consolidated Communications should not be allowed to exclude the event. The CLEC shall make its filing within twenty one (21) calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. Consolidated Communications will have a right to respond to any such challenge by the CLEC by filing a response within 21 days of the CLEC filing. If a CLEC's Exception Petition is granted, the appropriate bill credits will be posted on the CLEC's designated BAN within 30 days of such ruling. <sup>15</sup>

Depending on a CLEC's scheduled bill cycle date, actual bill credits may not be reflected on a CLEC's

#### H. CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS AND CLEC BIENNIAL REVIEW

At least sixty (60) days prior to the second anniversary of the Wholesale Performance Plan (and every biennial anniversary thereafter), Consolidated Communications shall provide notice to all eligible CLECs (via an accessible letter) and the Commissions/Board of proposed modifications to the Plan. At least thirty (30) days prior to the second anniversary of the Plan (and every biennial anniversary thereafter) CLECs may propose modifications to the Plan. If modifications are proposed, Consolidated Communications, CLECs and the Commissionswill establish a procedural schedule for the review of the proposed modifications. During this review, the Commissions/Board may examine any aspect of the WPP including modifications proposed by Consolidated Communications or CLECs. Any modifications to the WPP will be implemented as soon as is reasonably practical after Commission/Board approval of the modifications.

Consolidated Communications may propose or make administrative changes to the Plan outside of the biennial review. Consolidated Communications will inform eligible CLECs via an Accessible Letter prior to making any administrative changes to the Plan. In the event a CLEC objects to an administrative change, or a CLEC proposes an administrative change that is rejected by Consolidated Communications, the CLEC may petition the Commission/Board to review the proposed change.

#### I. COMMISSION AUDITS

The Wholesale Performance Plan shall be subject to an independent audit at the direction of the Commission no more frequently than once every two years to determine Consolidated Communications' compliance with the terms of the WPP, including the measurement, reporting, and bill crediting requirements. Any modifications or corrections resulting from such an audit will be applied across the three state territories, as applicable. The results of any individual Commission directed audit will be shared with the CLECs and the other Commissions. The costs of employing an independent auditor to conduct any such audit shall be borne by Consolidated Communications.

#### J. TERM OF WHOLESALE PERFORMANCE PLAN

The WPP shall continue in effect until such time as a final Order of each Commission determines otherwise.

invoice within 30 calendar days.

#### K. CHANGE OF LAW

If any legislative, regulatory, judicial or other governmental decision, order, determination or action substantively affects any material provision of this WPP, Consolidated Communications and the parties to the respective Commission dockets will promptly convene negotiations in good faith concerning revisions to the WPP that are required to conform the Plan to applicable law.

Upon agreement, such revisions will be submitted jointly by the parties participating in the negotiations to the Commissions for approval. Should the parties fail to reach agreement on revisions to the WPP within 90 days, the matter may be brought to the Commission(s). Upon Commission approval or resolution of such revisions, the revisions to the Maine or New Hampshire or Vermont WPP performance metrics and related bill credits will be retroactive to the effective date of the change in law, unless otherwise expressly ordered by the Commission when the revisions to the WPP are approved.

#### L. SUNSET OF CERTAIN METRICS

Effective August 2, 2022 the following metrics shall no longer be measured under the Wholesale Performance Plan:

BI 3-4-1000 % CLEC Billing Claims Acknowledged within 2 Business Days of Receipt

BI 3-5-1000 % CLEC Billing Claims Resolved within 28 Calendar Days After Acknowledged

BI 3-8-1000 % CLEC Billing Claim Credits Appearing on the Bill within 45 Calendar Days

MR 3-1-2010 % Missed Repair Loop

MR 3-1-3112 % Missed Repair Appointment - Loop

MR 3-2-3112 % Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office

MR 4-2-2010 Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble

MR 4-7-2010 % Out of Service > 12 Hours

MR 5-1-2000 % Repeat Reports within 30 days

MR 5-1-3343 % Repeat Reports within 30 Days

OR 11-1-2000 % On Time Resale Provider Notifications

OR-4-17-1000 % Billing Completion Notifiers Sent on Time

OR-5-3-3112 - % Flow Through Achieved

OR-5-3-3121 - % Flow Through Achieved Directory Listings and LNP

OR 6-3-3332 - % Resent LSRC

OR 6-4-1040 % Accuracy - Directory Listing

PR 4-7-3540 % On Time Performance – LNP Only

PR 4-16-1040 -- % Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time

Within 30 days of such date, Consolidated Communications shall re-file the Plan reflecting the removal of these metrics.

#### **SECTION 2: METRIC GUIDELINES**

#### **GENERAL EXCLUSIONS**

#### Consolidated Communications/CLEC Test Orders/Test IDs

Test Orders/IDs are excluded from all metrics.

#### **Consolidated Communications Affiliate Reporting**

Consolidated Communications affiliate reporting is excluded from CLEC aggregate data for all metrics.

#### Internally generated LSRs and Service Orders

Internally generated LSRs are excluded from the Ordering metrics. Internally generated Service Orders are excluded from the Provisioning metrics.

#### **Consolidated Communications Administrative Orders**

#### **Consolidated Communications Official Services**

Consolidated Communications official (administrative) lines used by Consolidated Communications employees or contractors to conduct official company business are excluded from all metrics.

#### **Wholesale Transaction Measures**

Wholesale Measurements exclude transactions from carriers that are not eligible CLECs (e.g., wireless carriers, independent telephone companies, internet access providers, or any provider that has not established a CLEC profile).

#### **GENERAL NOTES**

#### For OR-1-12, OR-2-12, and NP-2

Refer to industry letters for further details related to Trunk and Collocation forecasting. (See URL address listed on the URL Reference page below.)

#### **CLEC Performance Reports and Raw Data**

To request receipt of monthly WPP Performance Reports or CLEC-specific raw data files CLECs should contact the Consolidated Communications Wholesale Help Desk at the URL address listed on the URL Reference page below. Please provide the following information with the request:

- The state(s) for which receipt of reports or data is requested
- The CLEC IDs (e.g. ACNA/AECN/RSIDs) in those states

Specifications for the CLEC-specific raw data files may be found on the URL Reference page below.

#### **Eastern Time**

For purposes of the WPP, all references are to Eastern Time (i.e., Eastern Standard Time (EST) or Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)).

#### **URL REFERENCES**

Consolidated Communications references URLs, as sources of information, throughout the WPP Guidelines. Wherever a URL is referenced, Consolidated Communications utilizes the information published on the URL. The table below lists the URL referenced and a general description of the information found on the URL and associated metrics.

URL	General description of URL Information	Associated Metrics
http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/ai_letter_s/index.jsp	Lists Consolidated Communications' Accessible & Industry Letters.	PO-2
http://www.consolidated.com/document/Consolidated%20 Wholesale%20Help%20Desk%20Guidelines%2012102009 tcm12-6323.pdf	Lists Wholesale Help Desk (WHD) contacts.	PO-2, PO-3
http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/order-management/index.jsp	Lists the wholesale centers hours of operations and the management escalation processes.	PO-3
Holiday Schedule for any given year is published via an Accessible Letter in fourth quarter of the prior year. <a href="http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/ai-letter-s/">http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/ai-letter-s/</a>	Lists the current year Holidays that Consolidated Communications observes.	PO-1, PO-2, PO-3- 02, PO-8, OR-1, OR- 2, BI-1, BI-3
http://www.consolidated.com/document/Consolidated%20Flow%20Through%20Order%20Scenarios%2009162009 tcm12-6523.pdf	Lists Flow-through Ordering Scenarios.	OR-1,OR-2,OR-5
http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/product_interval_guides/	Lists the product intervals.	PR-1, PR-3
http://www.consolidated.com/document/Consolidated%20 Wholesale%20Escalation%20Lists_OMC_12_21_2012_tc m12-2100.pdf	Order Management Center	PR-9
http://www.consolidatedt.com/wholesale/resources/trouble_administration/	Lists Disposition/Fault codes.	MR-2, MR-3, MR-4, MR-5
http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/collocation-licensing/	Lists the collocation application instructions.	NP-2
http://tariffs.net/consolidated/tier.asp?cid=1644#MEPOLR	Lists the state tariffs, which includes product definitions.	NP-2
http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/billing/	Provides information on billing Inquiries, Claims and Adjustments	BI-3
http://www.consolidated.com/wholesale/resources/wholesale-forums/	Provides specifications for CLEC-specific raw data files	Not applicable

#### PRODUCT CODE INFORMATION

The table below defines the product codes listed on the monthly reports. NOTE: Products as reported in a specific metric are subject to metric definitions and exclusions.

Product Code	Product Title	Description
1000	Resale & UNE	Includes Resale (see product code 2000) plus UNE (see product code 3000).
1001	Resale & UNE 2-Wire Loops /LNP	Includes Resale (see product code 2000), UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop, UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loop and LNP (see product code 3332).
1021	Operator Services	Operator Service Centers handle call completion and Directory listing services.
1040	Directory Listings	LSRs with requests to add, change or delete Directory listings.
2000	Resale	Resale POTS, intrastate Special Services, and BRI-ISDN services.
2010	Resale Business	Subset of Resale: Resale Business includes POTS services tariffed for Business customers, intrastate Special Services and ISDN services. POTS includes Centrex and PBX trunks.
2120	Resale POTS Residence	Subset of Resale: Residence includes services sold to residential customers via state tariff. POTS service includes voice grade 2-Wire Analog dial tone lines.
3000	UNE	Unbundled Network Elements. The following products are included: UNE Loops 2-Wire Analog, 2-Wire Digital, 2-Wire xDSL, UNE Specials, LNP and Standalone Directory Listings.
3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Unbundled 2-Wire Analog Voice Grade Loop.
3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	See 3112. (Provisioning only, Excludes Loops provisioned by Hot Cut process).
3121	Directory Listings and LNP	Stand-alone directory listings plus UNE LNP.
3200	UNE Specials	UNE Specials are network elements that require engineering design intervention. These network elements include UNE DS1 and UNE DS3.
3211	UNE DS1	Subset of UNE Specials. Includes Loops, EELs and IOF conditioned for 1.544 MBPS.
3213	UNE DS3	Subset of UNE Specials. Includes Loops, EELs and IOF conditioned for 44.736 MBPS.
3331	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop/LNP	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop plus LNP. Combination Product codes 3112 and 3540.
3332	UNE 2-Wire Loops /LNP	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop, and UNE 2-Wire xDSL LoopCombinationProduct codes 3112 and 3343.

Product Code	Product Title	Description
3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Includes UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops.
3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	UNE 2-Wire Loop provisioned by a Hot Cut. A subset of 3112.
3540	UNE LNP	Local Number Portability.
5000	CLEC Trunks	One-way or two-way Interconnection Trunks ordered by CLECs carrying traffic between Consolidated Communications and CLEC.
5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	Subset of product code 5000, limited to orders less than or equal to192 Forecasted Trunks.
5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted and Projects)	Subset of product code 5000, limited to orders greater than 192 Forecasted Trunks, Unforecasted Trunks, and Trunk Projects.
5100	Final Trunk Group (FTG)	Dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups (FTGs) carrying traffic from Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC.
6000	VFO	Virtual Front Office. OSS front-end interface accessed by CLECs for pre-order, ordering and maintenance transactions via XML and WEB GUI.
6040	XML	XML ordering interface.
6050	WEB GUI	Graphical User Interface used for pre-order, ordering and maintenance transactions.
6100	Manual Loop Qual Requests	Email requests to provide manual loop qualification information.
6500	OSS Interface Outage Notifications	Email or other electronic notices of OSS Interface outages.
6600	Change Notices - all types	Change Management Notifications and Confirmations in conformance with Change Management for Type 1 (Emergency Maintenance) and Type 2 (Regulatory Order), Type 3 (Industry Standard), Type 4 (Consolidated Communications originated) and Type 5 (CLEC originated) Product codes 6600 and 6671 combined.
6660	Change Notices - types 3, 4 and 5	Subset of Product code 6600 for Types 3, 4 and 5 notices.
6671	Change Notices - types 1 and 2	Subset of Product code 6600 for Types 1 and 2 notices.
6701	Collocation - New	Requests for new physical and/or virtual collocation arrangements.
6702	Collocation - Augment	Requests to augment existing physical and/or virtual arrangements where Consolidated Communications is required to perform work to add capacity for space, cable termination or DC power.

#### PRE-ORDERING PERFORMANCE

(PO)

# Function PO-1 Response Time Pre-Ordering Transactions PO-2 OSS Interface Availability PO-3 Contact Center Speed of Answer PO-4 Timeliness of Change Management Notices PO-5 Percent On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage PO-6 Software Validation PO-7 Software Problem Resolution Timeliness PO-8 Manual Loop Qualification

## Function: PO-1 Response Time Pre-Ordering Transactions Definition:

The PO-1 metrics measure the response times of pre-ordering transactions processed through the Virtual Front Office (VFO) to and from Consolidated Communications' downstream operational systems.

#### **Response Time:**

Response time is measured from receipt of the request at Consolidated Communications' VFO to the time that the response is sent to the CLEC.

**Average Response Time**: Average Response Time is the sum of the response times divided by the number of pre-ordering transactions in the report period.

**Rejected Query:** A rejected query is a query that cannot be processed successfully due to incomplete or invalid information submitted by the sender, which results in an error message back to the sender.

**Time-out:** % Timeouts are measured in sub-metric PO-1-08. A query is considered to be a time-out when the requested information (or an error message) is not provided within 60 seconds.

Parsed CSR: The Parsed CSR transaction returns fielded Customer Service Record data.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Queries that time out (except for PO-1-08),
- Transactions occurring between 9:00 PM and 8:00 AM Monday through Friday and transactions occurring on Saturday, Sunday, and Consolidated Communications observed holidays,
- For PO-1-01, parsed CSR transactions,
- For PO-1-08, subsequent attempts on a single transaction that timed out.

#### **Report Dimensions:**

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	Consolidated Communications
CLEC Specific	

#### **Sub-Metrics:**

PO-1-01	PO-1-01 Average Response Time – CSR (Customer Service Record)			
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for CSR transactions.		
Denominator	Number of CSR tran	Number of CSR transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-01-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible	
PO-1-01-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	Eligible	

PO-1-03	PO-1-03 Average Response Time – Address Validation			
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for Address Validation transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Address	Number of Address Validation transactions		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-03-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible	
PO-1-03-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 7.5 Seconds	Eligible	

PO-1-05	rage Response Time – Telephone Number Availability & Reservation	
Metric Type	Average (Numerator/Denominator)	

Numerator	Sum of all response times for Telephone Number Availability/Reservations transactions.			
Denominator	Number of Telephone Number Availability/Reservations transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-05-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	
PO-1-05-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 7.5 seconds	Diagnostic	

PO-1-06 Average Response Time – Mechanized Loop Qualification				
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for Mechanized Loop Qualifications transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Mechani	Number of Mechanized Loop Qualifications transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-06-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible	
PO-1-06-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	Eligible	

PO-1-07	PO-1-07 Average Response Time – Rejected Query			
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for Rejected Query transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Rejected	Number of Rejected Query transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-07-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	
PO-1-07-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 7.5 seconds	Diagnostic	

PO-1-08	% Timeouts				
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of transacti	Number of transactions that timeout.			
Denominator	Total number of trar	Total number of transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PO-1-08-6040	XML	≤ 0.33%	Eligible		
PO-1-08-6050	WEB GUI ≤ 0.33% Eligible				

PO-1-09 Average Response Time - Parsed CSR				
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for Parsed CSR transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Parsed CSR transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-09-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	

## Function: PO-2 OSS Interface Availability Definition:

The PO-2 metric measures the Virtual Front Office (VFO) Interface Availability. The VFO handles XML and WEBGUI transactions. The PO-2 sub-metrics are a measurement of the percent of time the VFO Interface is available during scheduled Prime Time hours versus the amount of time the VFO Interface is scheduled to be available during prime time hours.

Scheduled VFO Prime Time Availability is as follows:

 Prime Time: Between 6:00:00 AM and 12:00 AM Monday through Saturday, excluding Consolidated Communications observed Holidays.

The availability of a downstream system affects Consolidated Communications and CLECs equally and is not included in the PO-2 sub-metric.

CLECs report VFO outages to the Wholesale Service Center (WSC) or Wholesale Help Desk (WHD) during normal business hours or to the Customer Service Maintenance Center (CSMC) outside normal business hours. Each CLEC-reported trouble is logged into a tracking system. Consolidated Communications reviews data from the tracking system each week to determine which troubles were VFO outages, and should be included in the PO-2 calculations. CLEC reported outages are supplemented with outages captured by Synchronoss Network Operations Center (NOC) or other similar Consolidated Communications affirmative monitoring to calculate the final metric results.

Synchronoss NOC is used as an alarm for system availability and supplements CLEC reported outages for VFO. If no CLEC reported an outage, but Synchronoss NOC detected an outage, the outage is included as if the entire CLEC population experienced the outage.

The Synchronoss NOC data is compared to CLEC reported outages, and are matched according to the outages reported time-frame. If the Synchronoss NOC time-frame matches the CLEC reported outage time-frame (from the WSC/WHD), the outage is included (once) in the metric based on the reported time-frame.

If the comparison of the Synchronoss NOC data with the CLEC reported outages indicates that a time-frame overlaps, the earliest start-time of the outage and the latest end-time of the outage are used to calculate the metric result.

**Trouble Logs:** Consolidated Communications will make Consolidated Communications' trouble logs (which contain CLEC reports that the interface is not available) available to the CLECs for inspection.

#### **Exclusions:**

- CLEC reported troubles where no trouble is found in Consolidated Communications' VFO,
- Troubles reported by a CLEC that were not reported to Consolidated Communications' WSC, WHD or CSMC,
- Scheduled VFO downtime for major system releases where CLECs were provided with advanced notification of the downtime in compliance with Consolidated Communications' Change Management Guidelines.

Report Dimensions:				
Company:	Geography:			
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consolidated Communications</li> </ul>			
Sub Metrics:				

PO-2-02	PO-2-02 OSS Interface Availability – Prime-Time			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Total number of scheduled prime-time minutes in the month for VFO minus the total number of unscheduled outage minutes during prime-time in the month for VFO.			
Denominator	Total number of scheduled prime-time minutes in the month for VFO.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	

PO-2-02-6000	VFO	≥ 99.5%	Eligible
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## Function: PO-3 Contact Center Speed of Answer Definition:

The PO-3 sub-metrics measure Contact Center Speed of Answer. Contact Center Speed of Answer measures the average answer times of calls received in the Centers that support CLECs for Ordering and Maintenance. Contact with CLECs is designed to take place via direct access systems. The Contact Centers are designed to handle fall-out and not large call volumes.

Speed of Answer is measured for Ordering and Repair queues. This measure is reported out of the Automated Call Distributor (ACD). The Speed of Answer measure includes calls that go to the main number in the center, either directly or from a CLEC opting to transfer the call to the main number, during the center's hours of operation, (Refer to URL table in front of this section.)

Speed of Answer is measured in seconds from the time a call enters the Consolidated Communications ACD until a representative answers the call.

For calls to the WSC, CLECs have the choice of calling the order processing 800 number, in which case the call is directed to the next available representative through the ACD, or CLECs can call their dedicated representatives on the representative's direct line. If the representative is not available, the CLEC can leave a voice mail or press 0 and be transferred to a pool of representatives. Consolidated Communications measures speed of answer for calls to the 800 number and for calls where the CLEC presses 0 to speak to the next available representative. The Speed of Answer measurements begin as follows: For calls to the 800 number, the measurement begins when the call enters Consolidated Communications' ACD. For calls to a dedicated representative, the measurement begins when the call enters Consolidated Communications' ACD (after the CLEC presses 0). In each case, the measurement ends when a representative answers the call.

- Calls directed to and answered by dedicated representatives,
- For PO-3-02, Consolidated Communications observed holidays.

Report Dimens	ions	
Company:		Geography:
CLEC Aggre	egate	<ul> <li>Consolidated Communications</li> </ul>
Products	Ordering Services (Wholesale Service Center)	Repair Services (Repair Center)
Sub-Metrics:		

PO-3-02	PO-3-02 % Answered within 30 Seconds – Ordering			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of calls ans	Number of calls answered within 30 seconds after the call was received by the ACD.		
Denominator	Total calls answered plus 15% of abandoned calls plus 10% of busy calls.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PO-3-02-3000	UNE	≥ 80%	Diagnostic	

PO-3-04 % Answered within 30 Seconds – Repair				
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of calls ans	Number of calls answered within 30 seconds after the call was received by the ACD.		
Denominator	Total calls answered plus 15% of abandoned calls plus 10% of busy calls.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-3-04-3000	UNE	≥ 80%	Diagnostic	

## Function: PO-4 Timeliness of Change Management Notices Definition:

The PO-4 sub-metrics measure the timeliness of Change Management Notices (Change Notifications and Change Confirmations) sent to notify CLECs of scheduled systems software changes that potentially may affect a CLEC's systems or procedures. The PO-4-01 sub-metric measures the percent of Change Management Notices distributed in accordance with prescribed timeliness standards. Sub-metrics PO-4-02 and PO-4-03 measure the cumulative delay days for Change Management notices distributed after the prescribed standard interval. Change Management notices are notices sent to the CLECs to notify CLECs of scheduled interface software-affecting changes with a "Type" designation (Type 1, 2, 3, 4, 5). Change Management Notices are classified as follows: Type 1 – Emergency Maintenance; Type 2 – Regulatory; Type 3 – Industry Guidelines; Type 4 – Consolidated Communications Originated; and Type 5 – CLEC Originated.

#### **Exclusions:** None. Timeliness Standards: Change Notification: Interval between Change Confirmation: Final Change type notification and implementation Documentation Availability before implementation Type 1 - Emergency Notification before implementation. Not Applicable. Maintenance Type 2 – Regulatory Time periods established in Regulatory Time periods established in Regulatory Order. If no time periods set, default to Order. If no time periods set, default to same time periods as Types 3 - 5. same time periods as Types 3 - 5. Types 3 - 5 ≥ 73 calendar days for business rules. ≥ ≥ 45 calendar days or Consolidated 66 calendar days for technical Communications/CLEC agreed upon specifications or Consolidated timeframes. Communications/CLEC agreed upon timeframes. **Report Dimensions** Company: Geography: CLEC Aggregate Consolidated Communications Sub-Metrics:

PO-4-01	PO-4-01 % Change Management Notices Sent on Time			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Change Management Notices sent within	Change Management Notices sent within required time frames.		
Denominator	Total number of Change Management Notices sent.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PO-4-01-6660	Change Notices (types 3, 4 and 5) ≥ 95% Eligible			
PO-4-01-6671	Change Notices (types 1 and 2)	≥ 95%	Eligible	

PO-4-02	Change Management Notices – Delay 1 to 7 Days			
Metric Type	Data Value			
Data Value	Cumulative delay days for all notices sent 1 to 7 days late.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PO-4-02-6600	Change Notices all types	No Standard	Diagnostic	

PO-4-03	Change Management Notices – Delay ≥ 8 Days			
Metric Type	Data Value			
Data Value	Cumulative delay days for all notices sent ≥ 8 days late.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PO-4-03-6600	Change Notices all types	0 (zero) Notices ≥ 8 Days	Eligible	

Function:			
PO-5 Percent On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage			
Definition:			
The PO-5 metric measures the amount of time that elapses between Consolidated Communications identification of an outage in the Virtual Front Office (VFO) Interface and Consolidated Communications notification to CLECs that an outage exists. Notification is sent via e-mail when a VFO system outage occurs that prevents the CLECs from performing transactions for Pre-Ordering, Ordering, or Maintenance and the outage affects more than one CLEC.			
Exclusions:			
Troubles reported by a CLEC that were not reported to WSC/WHD,			
Network Outages (different than interface outages).			
Report Dimensions			
Company: Geography:			
CLEC Aggregate     Consolidated Communications			
Sub-Metric:			

PO-5-01	PO-5-01 % On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of outage notifications sent where the date and time of outage notification to CLECs minus date and time the OSS interface outage was identified by Consolidated Communications is less than or equal to 20 minutes.			
Denominator	Total number of OSS interface outages			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PO-5-01-6500	OSS Interface Outage Notifications	≥ 95% within 20 Minutes of Outage	Diagnostic	

## Function: PO-6 Software Validation Definition:

The PO-6 metric measures software validation for major releases affecting Consolidated Communications' CLEC OSS interface where Consolidated Communications offers a test deck in the CLEC Test Environment (CTE). Consolidated Communications tests the software release functionality, by executing a test deck of transactions, to validate that the functionality in a software release works as designed.

Consolidated Communications will execute the test deck in the test environment at the start of the User Acceptance Testing (UAT) and at the completion of UAT. Within one (1) business day, following a non-emergency software release to production as communicated through Change Management, Consolidated Communications will begin to execute the test deck in production. Upon completion of the test, Consolidated Communications will report the number of test deck transactions that were rejected or otherwise failed during execution of the test deck in production.

A transaction is considered failed if the request cannot be submitted or processed, or results in incorrect or improperly formatted data.

This software validation metric is reported as a percentage calculated as the number of failed test deck transactions in production divided by the total number of all transactions in the test deck in production.

For those months that Consolidated Communications does not execute the test deck, the WPP report is populated with the notation NA.

Exclusions:	
Transactions that fail due to CLEC error.	
Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consolidated Communications</li> </ul>
Sub-Metric:	

PO-6-01	<b>Software Validation</b>			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Sum of failed test de	Sum of failed test deck transactions in production.		
Denominator	Sum of all test desk transactions in production.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-6-01-6000	VFO	≤ 5% Failed Transactions	Eligible	

## Function: PO-7 Software Problem Resolution Timeliness Definition:

The PO-7 metric measures Software Problem Resolution Timeliness. Following each major software release affecting Consolidated Communications' CLEC OSS ordering interface, Consolidated Communications tracks the number of rejected Pre-Order and Order transactions reported to the Wholesale Service Center (WSC) or Wholesale Help Desk (WHD), those rejected transactions resulting from the test deck execution, and the timeframe to resolve the problem. For the purposes of this metric, rejected transactions caused by Consolidated Communications code or documentation errors or omissions that result in Type 1 changes are production referrals.

Problem Resolution Timeliness is measured from the time the trouble was reported to the WSC or WHD.

The PO-7-01 sub-metric is reported as a percentage calculated as the number of production referrals resolved within target response intervals (48 hours or 10 business days) divided by the total number of production referrals, during the 30 calendar days following a major CLEC-affecting LSOG software release.

For those months that Consolidated Communications installs software releases, the PO-7-04 sub-metric is populated on the WPP report with Test Deck Transaction data in accordance with the sub-metric definition.

For sub-metrics PO-7-01, PO-7-02, and PO-7-03, the WPP report is populated with production referral data in the month *following* the software release.

Failed Pre-order and Order transactions reported to the WSC or WHD after 5:00 PM on Friday and before 8:00 AM on Monday or on a Consolidated Communications observed holiday are considered received at 8:00 AM the next business day.

**Note:** The data value populated on the WPP report for PO-7-02, 7-03 and 7-04 represents the number of hours (or days) beyond the standard. For example, a 50 hour resolution for metric PO-7-02 and 7-04 would have a two (2) hour delay populated in the performance column to indicate the performance was two hours greater than the 48 hour standard.

Exclusions:	
None.	
Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	Consolidated Communications
Sub-Metrics:	

PO-7-01	PO-7-01 % Production Software Referrals Resolved On Time		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of production referrals resolved within timeliness standard.		
Denominator	Total number production referrals.		
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
PO-7-01-6000	VFO	≥ 95% within 48 Hours/10 Business Days	Eligible

PO-7-02	Delay Hours – Prod Workaround	uction Software Resolution - Change - Transactions	Failed - No
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of cumulative delay hours (greater than the 48-hour standard) for identified production software resolution changes associated with transaction rejects with no workaround.		
Metric #	Product Litie   Performance Standard		Performance Credit Status
PO-7-02-6000	VFO	0 (zero) production resolution changes > 48 Hours	Eligible

PO-7-03	-03 Delay Days – Production Software Resolution – Change – Transactions Failed - With Workaround		Failed - With
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of cumulative delay days (greater than the 10-day standard) for identified production software resolution changes associated with transaction rejects with a workaround.		
Metric #	Product Title	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status	
PO-7-03-6000	VFO	0 (zero) production resolution changes > 10 Business Days	Eligible

PO-7-04	PO-7-04 Delay Hours – Failed/Rejected Test Deck Transactions – Transactions Failed - No Workaround		
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of cumulative delay hours (greater than the 48-hour standard) for software resolution changes associated with transaction rejects with no workaround for Test Deck Transactions.		
Metric #	Product Litle   Performance Standard		Performance Credit Status
PO-7-04-6000	VFO	0 (zero) failed/rejected test deck transactions > 48 Hours	Eligible

## Function: PO-8 Manual Loop Qualification Definition:

The PO-8 Manual Loop Qualification metric measures the response time for the provision of Loop Qualification information required to provision *2-Wire Digital or 2-Wire–xDSL loops*, when such information is requested through an email request to the applicable Consolidated Communications email address and the requested EUL (End User Location) is present in the Master Street Address Guide (MSAG)/GE Small World (GESW).

Loop qualification requests received after 5:00 PM on business days or on weekends or holidays are considered received at 8:00 AM the next business day.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Weekends and Consolidated Communications observed holidays are excluded from the elapsed time,
- Requests where the requisite loop information for the service address is available to the CLEC in the loop-qualification application,
- Digital Design Loops that require loop conditioning (HXMU code),
- Time required to build an address in MSAG/GESW and notify CLEC that that the requested EUL has been added to MSAG/GESW.

**Note:** Weekend hours are between 12:00 AM Saturday and 12:00 AM Monday. Holiday Hours are between 12:00 AM of the holiday and 12:00 AM of the first business day following the holiday.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	·
Sub-Metric:	

PO-8-01	% On Time – Manual Loop Qualification	on	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Sum of manual loop qualification transactions where the time from receipt of request for a manual loop qualification to the distribution of the loop qualification information is less than or equal to 48 hours.		
Denominator	Number of manual loop qualification transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
PO-8-01-6100	Manual Loop Qual Request	≥ 95% within 48 Hours	Eligible

#### **ORDERING PERFORMANCE**

(OR)

	Function
OR-1	Order Confirmation Timeliness
OR-2	Reject Timeliness
OR-4	Timeliness of Completion Notification
OR-5	Percent Flow-Through LSRC
OR-6	Order Accuracy
OR-8	Acknowledgement Timeliness
OR-9	Order Acknowledgement Completeness

#### Function:

#### **OR-1 Order Confirmation Timeliness**

#### **Definition:**

The OR-1 metrics measure the timeliness of Order Confirmations. Depending on the specific product ordered CLECS will submit either a Local Service Request (LSR) or Access Service Request (ASR). UNE orders submitted via a LSR receive an LSR confirmation (LSRC). Orders submitted via an ASR receive an ASR Confirmation (ASRC).

#### UNE:

**Order Confirmation Response Time:** The amount of elapsed time (in hours and minutes) between receipt of a valid order request submitted via Consolidated Communications' VFO and the time an order confirmation is sent.

**Percent of Orders Confirmed On Time:** The percentage of orders confirmed within the timeframes specified in the Performance Standards.

**Flow-through:** Flow-through orders are received electronically through the VFO and are entered into M6 and confirmed with no manual intervention. (Refer to URL table in front of this section.)

**Facility Checks:** Orders submitted via a LSR for six or more lines and all orders submitted via an ASR require a facility check (except disconnects which require no facility check).

#### Trunks:

Order confirmation timeliness is measured in business days between receipt of a valid ASR and distribution of an ASRC. The DLR (Design Layout Record) is measured based upon the DLRD (Design Layout Record Date) established in M6. The DLRD is 10 Business Days for ≤ 192 Forecasted Trunks and is Negotiated for > 192 Trunks, Unforecasted Trunks, or Projects.

#### **Order Confirmation Hours:**

For all OR-1 metrics except OR-1-02: Monday – Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 8:00 AM on the next business day.

For OR-1-02 (Flow-through) metric: Sunday – Saturday, between 6:00 AM and 12:00 AM, except during Consolidated Communications scheduled downtime hours. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 6:00 AM on the next calendar day.

All scheduled downtime hours will be communicated to CLECs in advance in accordance with the Consolidated Communications Change Management process.

- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- ASR requests that have the RTR field populated with an "N" code for ASRC or DLR indicating the CLEC requested no confirmation/response be sent,
- For OR-1-13 only, the RTR field populated with an "F" code indicating the CLEC requested no DLR be sent,
- For OR-1-04 through OR 1-13 metrics (Non-Flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating response times: Weekends (Between 12:00 AM Saturday and 12:00 AM Monday) and Holidays (between 12:00 AM of the holiday and 12:00 AM of the first business day following the holiday),
- For OR-1-02 (Flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating response time: Sunday Saturday , between 12:00 AM and 6:00 AM, and during Consolidated Communications scheduled down time hours,
- Duplicate Confirmations LSRCs or ASRCs issued against a unique PON (PON + Version Number + CLEC ID), subsequent to the first confirmation.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:     CLEC Aggregate     CLEC Specific	Geography:  • State Specific
Sub-Metrics:	

OR-1-04	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Chec	ck (Non-flow-through)	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of electronic LSRCs not requiring a facility check, sent where confirmation date and time minus submission date and time is less than or equal to the standard for specified product for the report month.		
Denominator	Total number of electronic LSRCs not requiring a facility check for specified product for the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
OR-1-04-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible

OR-1-06	% On Time LSRC/ASRC – Facility 0	Check (Non-flow-through)	
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator >	( 100)	
Numerator	Number of electronic LSRCs/ASRCs requiring a facility check, sent where confirmation date and time minus submission date and time is less than or equal to the standard for specified product for the report month.		
Denominator	Total number of electronic LSRCs/ASRCs requiring a facility check for specified product for the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-1-06-3200	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Business Days	Eligible
OR-1-06-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible

OR-1-12	% On Time ASRC			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of electronic ASRCs sent where confirmation date and time minus submission date and time is less than or equal to the standard for the product type for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of electronic ASRCs for	or specified product for the report mont	h.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-1-12-5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	≥ 95% within 10 Business Days	Eligible	
OR-1-12-5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval	Eligible	

OR-1-13	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of DLRs co	Number of DLRs completed on or before DLRD date in M6 in report month.		
Denominator	Number of DLRs completed in report month.			
Metric #	Droduct Litia — L Dortormanca Standard		Performance Credit Status	
OR-1-13-5000	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95% On or Before DLRD	Eligible	

Function:	
	OR-2 Reject Timeliness
Definition:	

The OR-2 metrics measures Reject Timeliness.

**Reject Response Time:** The amount of elapsed time (in hours and minutes) between receipt of an order request submitted via Consolidated Communications's VFO and the time a Service Order reject is sent.

**Percent of Orders Rejected On Time:** The percentage of orders rejected within the timeframes specified in the Performance Standards.

**Flow-through:** Flow-through orders are received electronically through the VFO and are rejected with no manual intervention. (Refer to URL table in front of this section.)

#### **Order Reject Hours:**

For all OR-2 metrics except OR-2-02: Monday – Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 8:00 AM on the next business day

For OR-2-02 (Flow-through) metric: Sunday – Saturday, between 6:00 AM and 12:00 AM, except during Consolidated Communications scheduled downtime hours. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 6:00 AM on the next calendar day.

All scheduled downtime hours will be communicated to CLECs in advance in accordance with the Consolidated Communications Change Management process.

- Orders that fail basic front-end edits.
- Invalid rejects,
- Duplicate rejects Rejects issued against a unique PON (PON + Version Number + CLEC ID), subsequent to the first reject,
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- For all OR-2-04 through OR 2-12 metrics (Non-flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating the response times: Weekends (Between 12:00 AM Saturday and 12:00 AM Monday) and Holidays (between 12:00 AM of the holiday and 12:00 AM of the first business day following the holiday).
- For OR-2-02 (Flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating the response times: Sunday Saturday, between 12:00 AM and 6:00 AM, and during Consolidated Communications scheduled down time hours.

Report Dimensions:			
Company:	Geography:		
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific		
CLEC Specific			
Sub-Metrics:	•		

OR-2-02	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Through)		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator	Number of electronic rejects sent where the reject date and time minus the LSR submission date and time is less than or equal to two (2) system available hours for specified product for the report month.		
Denominator	Total number of electronically submitted flow-through LSRs rejected for specified product for the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-2-02-3332	UNE 2-Wire Loops	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	Eligible

OR-2-04	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility	Check (Non flow-through)	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator	Number of electronic rejects sent where the reject date and time minus the LSR submission date and time is less than or equal to 24 hours for orders not requiring a facility check for the specified product for the report month.		
Denominator	Total number of electronically submitted LSRs, not requiring a facility check, rejected for specified product for the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-2-04-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible

OR-2-06 % On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non flow-through)				
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)		
Numerator	Number of electronic rejects sent where reject date and time minus the LSR/ASR submission date and time is within the standard for orders requiring a facility check for the specified product for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of electronically submitted LSRs/ASRs requiring a facility check rejected for specified product for the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
OR-2-06-3200	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Business Days	Eligible	
OR-2-06-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible	

OR-2-12 % On Time Trunk ASR Reject			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of electronic rejects sent where the reject date and time minus the ASR submission date and time is less than or equal to seven (7) business days or negotiated standard for the report month.		
Denominator	Total number of electronically submitted trunk ASRs rejected for specified product for the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
OR-2-12-5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted) ≥ 95% within 7 Business Days Eligible		
OR-2-12-5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval	Diagnostic

Function:		
	OR-4 Timeliness of Completion Notification	
Definition:		

The OR-4 sub-metrics measure Timeliness of Completion Notifications sent. The elapsed time begins when the last service order associated with a specific PON is considered Provisioning Completed. The Provisioning Completion Notice (PCN) and the Billing Completion Notice (BCN) are considered sent when the Consolidated Communications system initiates the send of the completed notifier to the CLEC.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- For OR-4-11, orders designed to not generate a PCN or a BCN,
- For OR-4-16, orders designed to not generate a PCN,
- For OR-4-17, orders designed to not generate a BCN.

#### Report Dimensions:

Report Billiensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	
Sub-Metrics:	

OR-4-11 % Completed Orders with Neither a PCN nor BCN Sent			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of PONs completed that have produced neither a PCN nor a BCN within two (2) business days after the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.		
Denominator	Total number of PONs for which the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-4-11-3000	UNE	≤ 0.25% within 2 Business Days of Provisioning Completion	Diagnostic

OR-4-16	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers Sent within One Business Day			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of PONs completed that produce a PCN within one (1) business day after last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of PONs for which the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-4-16-3000	UNE	≥ 95%	Eligible	

OR-4-17 % Billing Completion Notifiers Sent On Time				
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of PONs completed that produce a BCN within the specified intervals after last service order has been provisioning completed for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of PONs for which the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
OR-4-17-3000	UNE	≥ 95.5% within 2 or 4 Business Days of Provisioning Completion. (2 bus. days on order(s) not in bill cycle hold. 4 bus. days on order(s) in bill cycle hold)	Eligible	

Function:		
	OR-5 Percent Flow-through LSRC	
Definition:		
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The OR-5 sub-metrics measure the percent of LSRCs that were generated without manual intervention as a percent of total LSRCs. These confirmations require no action by a Consolidated Communications service representative to input an order into M6. This is also known as Ordering flow-through. (Refer to URL table in front of this section.) ASRs do not flow-through by design, and are not included in the OR-5 metric.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3.
- Duplicate LSRCs

From % Flow-through - Achieved (OR-5-03):

- Orders not eligible to flow-through,
- Orders with CLEC input errors in violation of published business rules.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:  CLEC Aggregate  CLEC Specific	Geography:  • State Specific
Sub-Metrics:	

OR-5-03	% Flow-through – Achieved			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of LSRCs that flowed-through for specified product.			
Denominator	Total number of flow-through eligible LSRCs.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-5-03-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	≥ 95%	Eligible	
OR-5-03-3121	Directory Listings & LNP	≥ 95%	Eligible	

#### Function:

#### **OR-6 Order Accuracy**

#### **Definition:**

The OR-6 sub-metrics measure the accuracy of LSRCs sent to CLECs.

**OR-6-01 - % Service Order Accuracy:** Percent of LSRCs manually entered into M6 by Consolidated Communications without error.

For sub-metric OR-6-01, Consolidated Communications uses a manual audit process of sampled manually processed LSRs. A random sample of manually processed LSRs is selected for analysis each month. A statistically valid sample size with a 95% confidence level will be established by January 30<sup>th</sup> each calendar year, based upon the average monthly volume of manually processed LSRs in the prior calendar year. If the volume of manually processed LSRs is below the established sample size, all manually processed LSRs will be reviewed.

The specific fields to be addressed include:

- Billed Telephone Number
- RSID or AECN
- PON Number
- Telephone Number (if applicable, required for resold POTS and LNP)
- Ported TN (if applicable, required for LNP)
- Circuit ID (if applicable, required for specials and loops)
- Directory Listing Information (if included)
- E911 Listing Information (if changing and appropriate)
- Features (for Resale orders)
- Due Date

Includes all fields on service order that impact service. For example "optional fields" such as call forwarding to telephone number would be included as a "feature" field and be subject to review.

OR-6-03 - % Resent LSRC: Percent of LSRCs resent.

For sub-metric OR-6-03, the measure is a percentage of all LSRCs resent due to Consolidated Communications error against the total number of LSRCs sent in the reporting month.

**OR-6-04 - % Accuracy – Directory Listings:** Percent of directory listing LSRCs manually entered into M6 by Consolidated Communications without error.

**For** sub-metric OR-6-04, A statistically valid random sample of manually processed Directory Listing LSRCs is pulled from Consolidated Communications' system. A statistically valid sample size with a 95% confidence level will be established by January 30<sup>th</sup> each calendar year, based upon the average volume of manually processed Directory Listing LSRCs in the prior calendar year. If the volume of manually processed LSRCs is below the established sample size, all manually handled orders will be reviewed. The following fields on the Directory Listing Form of the LSR (if populated) need to be compared to M6. If the designated fields are not populated on the LSR, the CSR of the former retail customer needs to be compared to M6.

#### Field / Name / Definition:

- 10 / LACT/ Listing Activity (new, z, change)
- 11 / ALI / Alpha Numeric Listing Identifier Code (optional change or delete activity) resale additional listings, UNE primary and additional listings
- 12 / RTY / Record Type (main, addl, foreign listing)
- 13 / LTY / Listing Type (listed, non listed)
- 39 / LTN / Listed Telephone Number
- 45 / LNLN / Listed Name, Last Name

- 46 / LNFN / Listed Name, First Name
- 56 / ADI / Address Indicator (O to omit address)
- 59 / LASF / Listed Address House Number Suffix
- 60 / LASD / Listed Address Street Directional
- 61 / LASN / Listed Address Street Name
- 62 / LATH / Listed Address Thoroughfare (e.g., St., Rd., Ave.)
- 63 / LASS / Listed Address Street Suffix (e.g., Main St. West)
- 65 / LALOC / Listed Address Locality
- 94 / YPH / Yellow Page Heading

#### **Exclusions:**

- LSRs entered by the CLEC that flow-through,
- For OR-6-01, Directory Listing Orders
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#### Report Dimensions:

Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	OR-6-01: Consolidated Communications
	OR-6-03: State Specific
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#### **Sub-Metrics:**

OR-6-03	% Resent LSRC		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator	Number of LSRCs resent due to error.		
Denominator	Total Number of LSRCs sent.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-6-03-3332	UNE 2-Wire Loops/LNP	≤ 5% due to Errors	Eligible

OR-6-04	% Accuracy - Direc	tory Listing		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of LSRCs s	Number of LSRCs sampled for Directory Listings minus LSRCs with errors.		
Denominator	Number of Directory Listing LSRCs sampled.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-6-04-1040	Directory Listings	≥ 95% without Errors	Eligible	

#### PROVISIONING PERFORMANCE

(PR)

	Function
PR-1	Average Interval Offered
PR-3	Percent of Orders Completed within Specified Number of Business Days
PR-4	Missed Commitments
PR-5	Facility Missed Orders
PR-6	Installation Quality
PR-8	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status
PR-9	Hot Cut Loop Performance

# PR-1 Average Interval Offered Definition: The PR-1 sub-metrics measure the average number of business days between order application date and committed due date (appointment date) for completed and cancelled orders. The PR-1 sub-metric calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as billing completed or cancelled. The order application date is the date that a valid service request (LSR or ASR) is received (day zero (0)). Note: Orders received after 3:00 PM are counted as received the next business day. Exclusions:

- Orders where a CLEC customer requested or negotiated intervals beyond the standard appointment interval,
- Orders with invalid intervals (e.g. Negative intervals or intervals over 200 business days indicative of typographical error),
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- Disconnects.

• Disconnects.	
Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	
Sub-Metrics:	

PR-1-09	Average Interval Offered		
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of committed DD minus application date for product group orders.		
Denominator	Number of orders for product	group.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PR-1-09-3211	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1 (Retail DS1 excludes feature changes on PRI ISDN (no dispatch))	Diagnostic
PR-1-09-3213	UNE DS3	Parity with Retail DS3	Diagnostic
PR-1-09-5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted )	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic
PR-1-09-5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic

#### Function:

#### PR-3 Percent of Orders Completed within Specified Number of Business Days

#### **Definition:**

The PR-3 sub-metrics measure the percent of orders that have been updated as provisioning completed within a specified number of business days. The elapsed time is measured as the interval between order application receipt date and physical work completion date (i.e., date provisioning work such as wiring or translation work is finished). The application date is the date that a valid service request (LSR or ASR) is received (day zero (0)). Orders completed on the committed Due Date (DD) are considered to be completed on-time regardless of the time of day the order was actually completed. The PR-3 sub-metric calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as billing completed.

Note: Orders received after 3:00 PM are counted as received the next business day.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Disconnect Orders,
- Orders where a CLEC customer requested or negotiated intervals beyond the standard appointment interval.
- Orders with invalid intervals (e.g. Negative Intervals or intervals over 200 business days indicative of typographical error),
- Orders completed late due to end-user or CLEC caused delay,
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3.

For 2-Wire Digital and 2-Wire xDSL Loop only:

Orders missed due to facility reasons.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	·
Sub-Metrics:	

PR-3-10	% Completed in 6 Days (1 to 5 Lines	s)		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of orders with one (1) to five (5) lines where completion date minus application date is six (6) or fewer business days.			
Denominator	Number of orders with one (1) to five (5) lines.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
PR-3-10-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95%	Eligible	

## PR-4 Missed Commitments Definition:

The PR-4 sub-metrics measure performance in meeting committed due dates (DD). This may be reported as percent met or as percent missed. With the exception of Trunks, the PR-4 sub-metric calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as billing completed. PR-4-02-5000 and PR-4-15-5000 (CLEC Trunks) calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as provisioning completed.

Provisioning completed means the physical provisioning work such as wiring or translation work is finished.

**Average Delay Days:** For orders/trunks missed due to Consolidated Communications reasons, the average number of business days between the order DD and provisioning completed date.

**For Trunks:** The PR-4 sub-metrics are measured per trunk rather than per order.

**For LNP:** Percent of all LNP orders (including both the trigger message and associated disconnect order) where trigger is in place before the DD and the disconnect is completed on or after 11:59 PM of the due date. For LNP only orders, the percent of LNP (retail disconnect) orders completed in translation on or after DD on the order.

**Note:** Telephone Numbers disconnected early or ported early at the customer's request are considered met. Orders where the trigger is in place on the DD but before the number is ported by the CLEC are considered met triggers.

#### **Exclusions:**

· Disconnect Orders.

For UNE 2-Wire Digital and xDSL Loops only:

Orders missed for facility reasons.

For PR-4-16 only:

Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3

Report Dimensions:	
Company:  CLEC Aggregate  CLEC Specific	Geography:  • State Specific  • Consolidated Communications: PR-4-01-3213, PR-4-02-5000, PR-4-15-5000
Sub-Metrics:	

PR-4-01	% Missed Due Date			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of orders where the provisioning completed date is after the order DD due to Consolidated Communications reasons for product group.			
Denominator	Number of orders provisioning completed for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-4-01-3211	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1 (Retail DS1 excludes feature changes on PRI ISDN (no dispatch))	Eligible	
PR-4-01-3213	UNE DS3	≤5%	Eligible	

PR-4-02	Average Delay Days		
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of the provisioning completed date minus DD for orders/trunks missed due to Consolidated Communications reasons by product group.		
Denominator	Number of orders/trunks missed for Consolidated Communications reasons, by product group.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PR-4-02-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible
PR-4-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible
PR-4-02-5000	CLEC Trunks	5 Days	Eligible

PR-4-07 % On Time Performance – LNP Only				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of LNP orders (1 order = Trigger message and disconnect order), where trigger is in place before the due date and the retail disconnect is completed on or after 11:59 PM of the DD.			
Denominator	Number of LNP orders completed (1 order = Trigger message and disconnect order).			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-4-07-3540	UNE LNP	≥ 95%	Eligible	

PR-4-14	% Met Due Date			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of orders provisioning comp	Number of orders provisioning completed on or before the DD.		
Denominator	Number of orders provisioning completed minus any orders delayed due to CLEC/end user reasons.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-4-14-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95%	Eligible	

PR-4-15	% Met Due Date – Trunks		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of trunks where the order provisioning completed date is on or before the DD.		
Denominator	Number of trunks provisioning completed.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PR-4-15-5000	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95%	Eligible

PR-4-16	% Directory Data Base Updates	Completed On Time		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denomina	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of directory listing updates sent to the 411 Database Administrator within one (1) business day of confirmed due date.			
Denominator	Number of directory listing updates sent to the 411 Database Administrator.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-4-16-1040	Directory Listings	≥ 95% within 1 Business Day	Eligible	

Function:		
PR-5 Fa	icility Missed Orders	
Definition:		
	facility reasons. The PR-5 sub-metric calculations only include eport month, except for trunks, which are reported in the month	
<b>UNE:</b> The percent of Billing Completed Dispatche date, due to lack of Consolidated Communication	ed Orders that Provisioning Completed after the committed due ns facilities.	
<b>Trunks</b> : The percent of trunks Provisioning Consolidated Communications facilities.	Completed after the committed due date, due to lack of	
Exclusions:		
Disconnect orders.		
For UNE orders:		
Non-dispatched orders		
Report Dimensions:		
Company:	Geography:	
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific	
CLEC Specific		
Sub-Metrics:		

PR-5-01	PR-5-01 % Missed Due Date — Facilities				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	or/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of Billing Co	ompleted dispatched orders for the product group or Pro	ovisioning		
		here the provisioning completed date is after the order	DD, due to		
	Consolidated Comm	nunications Facility reasons.			
Denominator	Number of Billing Co	ompleted dispatched orders for product group or Provis	ioning Completed		
	trunks.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance		
Wellic #	Froduct Title	Feriornance Standard	Credit Status		
PR-5-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

PR-5-02 % Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denomina	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of dispatched orders or trunks where the provisioning completed date minus DD is more than 15 calendar days due to Consolidated Communications Facility reasons for product group.			
Denominator	Number of dispatched orders or	trunks provisioning completed for product of	group.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-5-02-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic	
PR-5-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	No Standard	Diagnostic	
PR-5-02-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic	

PR-5-03	% Orders Held for F	acilities > 60 Days	
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	or/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of trunks where the completion date minus DD is more than 60 calendar days due to Consolidated Communications Facility reasons for product group.		
Denominator	Number of trunks completed.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PR-5-03-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic

## Function: PR-6 Installation Quality Definition:

The PR-6 sub-metrics measure the ratio of found network installation troubles closed in a report month, compared to lines/circuits/trunks provisioned in the month. A network trouble is defined as an installation trouble if it is closed within 7 or 30 calendar days (depending on the metric) of an order that has been updated as provisioning completed in the month. Includes Disposition Codes 03 (Drop Wire), 04 (Cable) and 05 (Central Office).

**Note:** Troubles measured in PR-6-02 are the same troubles reported in PR-9-08. Should an additional found network trouble be closed after the installation trouble but within the same 7 or 30 calendar day period it will be counted as a repeat trouble in the MR-5 metric and not as an installation trouble.

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- Troubles reported by Consolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer has reported a trouble,
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	<ul> <li>Consolidated Communications: PR-6-01-5000</li> </ul>
Sub-Metrics:	

PR-6-01 % Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days					
Metric Type	Ratio reported as a Percent. (N	Ratio reported as a Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of installation troubles found within the network (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) closed within 30 calendar days of provisioning completion for product group.				
Denominator	Total lines/circuits/trunks provisioning completed in report month for product group.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-6-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible		
PR-6-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS – Dispatched	Eligible		
PR-6-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	Eligible		

## Function: PR-8 Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status Definition:

The PR-8 sub-metrics measure the number of open orders in the product group that, at the close of the reporting period, have been in a hold status for more than 30 or 90 calendar days, as a percentage of orders Billing Completed in the reporting period for that product group. This does not apply to the PR-8-01-5000 and PR-8-02-5000 sub-metrics (CLEC Trunks), which are calculated based on physical work (provisioning) completion.

The denominator of the PR-8 sub-metric calculations includes orders for the product group that are updated as Billing Completed or trunks that are updated as Provisioning Completed in the report month, plus orders for that product group or trunks in a hold status for more than 30 or 90 days, due to Consolidated Communications reasons.

An open order/trunk is a valid order/trunk that has not been Provisioning Completed or Cancelled. Open orders/trunk(s) in a hold status are orders/trunk(s) that have passed the committed due date, due to Consolidated Communications reasons.

For the PR-8 metrics, the committed due date counts as Day 0 (zero).

#### **Exclusions:**

- Disconnect Orders,
- Orders that at the request of the CLEC/end user have not been assigned a committed due date,
- Orders that remain open after Consolidated Communications has requested the CLEC cancel the order for regulatory and/or other valid industry acceptable reasons.

## Report Dimensions: Company CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Sub-Metrics: Geography: State Specific Consolidated Communications: PR-8-01-5000

PR-8-01 % Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of open orders for the product group or trunks that, at the close of the reporting period, have been in a hold status for more than 30 calendar days due to Consolidated Communications reasons.			
Denominator	Numerator plus total number of orders for the product group or trunks completed in the reporting period.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-8-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible	
PR-8-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
PR-8-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	Eligible	

PR-8-02	PR-8-02 % Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denom	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of open orders for the product group or trunks that, at the close of the reporting period, have been in a hold status for more than 90 calendar days due to Consolidated Communications reasons.			
Denominator	Numerator plus total number of orders for the product group or trunks completed in the reporting period.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-8-02-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic	
PR-8-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic	
PR-8-02-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic	

#### MAINTENANCE & REPAIR PERFORMANCE

(MR)

	Function
MR-1	Response Time OSS Maintenance Interface
MR-2	Trouble Report Rate
MR-3	Missed Repair Appointments
MR-4	Trouble Duration Intervals
MR-5	Repeat Troubles

Function:				
	MR-1 Response Time OSS Maintenance Interface			
Definition:				
	easure the system response time from receipt of a trouble transaction at Consolidated issuance of a response from Consolidated Communications' VFO.			
	uesting a history are reported under MR-1-05, not MR-1-02.			
Exclusions:				
<ul> <li>Trouble transactions</li> </ul>	received between 5:00 PM and 8:00 AM seven (7) days per week.			
Report Dimensions:				
Company: Geography:				
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	Consolidated Communications			
<ul> <li>CLEC Specific</li> </ul>				
Sub-Metrics:				

MR-1-01	Average Response	Time – Create Trouble		
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all Create Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Create Trouble transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-1-01-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible	

MR-1-02	Average Response Time – Status Trouble			
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	or/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all Status Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Status Trouble transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-1-02-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	

MR-1-03 Average Response Time – Modify Trouble				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerate	or/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all Modify Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Modify Trouble transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-1-03-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	

MR-1-04 Average Response Time – Request Cancellation of Trouble				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)			
Numerator	Sum of all Cancel Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to			
	the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Cancel Trouble transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-1-04-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	

MR-1-05	R-1-05 Average Response Time – Status & Trouble History			
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all Status and Trouble History transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Trouble History transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-1-05-6000	VFO	No Standard	Diagnostic	

MR-1-06 Average Response Time – Test Trouble (Resale POTS Only)				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all Test Trou	Sum of all Test Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to		
	the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Trouble Test transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-1-06-6000	VFO	≤ 90 Seconds	Eligible	

## Function: MR-2 Trouble Report Rate Definition:

The MR-2 sub-metrics measure the number of reported troubles found in Consolidated Communications' network (Network Trouble) per 100 units in service. Network Trouble means a trouble where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03 (Drop-wire), 04 (Outside Plant Loop), or 05 (Central Office). Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- Troubles reported by Consolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer has reported a trouble,
- Switch and Translation troubles from the Retail compare of MR-2-03 for UNE 2-Wire Analog, 2-Wire Digital and xDSL Loops,

Excluded from MR-2-02 and MR-2-03 for 2-Wire Digital and xDSL Loops:

• Installation troubles reported in PR-6-01.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	
Sub-Metrics:	

MR-2-01	<b>Network Trouble Report Rate</b>		
Metric Type	Ratio multiplied by 100 (Num	erator/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of trouble reports with found network troubles (Disposition codes 03, 04 and 05) for product group.		
Denominator	Number of units in service for product group.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-2-01-3200	UNE Specials	No Standard	Diagnostic
MR-2-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic

MR-2-02	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop			
Metric Type	Ratio multiplied by 100 (Numerator/D	enominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of loop trouble reports with found network troubles (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) for product group.			
Denominator	Number of units in service for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-2-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic	

MR-2-03 Network Trouble Report Rate – Central Office				
Metric Type	Ratio multiplied by 100 (Numerator/D	enominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Central Office trouble reports with found network troubles (Disposition Code 05) for product group.			
Denominator	Number of units in service for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-2-03-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic	

## Function: MR-3 Missed Repair Appointments Definition:

The MR-3 sub-metrics measure the percent of reported Network Troubles not repaired and cleared by the date and time committed. Network Trouble means a trouble where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03 (Drop Wire), 04 (Cable) or 05 (Central Office). Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- CLEC or end-user caused missed appointments or where required access was not available during appointment interval,
- Troubles reported by Consolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer reported a trouble,
- Switch and Translation troubles from the Retail compare of MR-3-02 for UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital and2-Wire xDSL Loops.

# Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Sub-Metrics: Geography: State Specific

MR-3-01 % Missed Repair Appointment – Loop					
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	or/Denominator	x 100)		
Numerator		Number of Loop troubles with found network trouble (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) where cleared time is after the committed time,) for product group.			
Denominator	Number of Loop trou	Number of Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-3-01-2010	Resale Business Parity with Retail POTS – Business Eligible			Eligible	
MR-3-01-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog	Wire Analog Loop Parity with Retail POTS Eligibl		Eligible	
MR-3-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops   Parity with Retail POTS   Eligible			Eligible	

MR-3-02	% Missed Repair Appointment – C	entral Office		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Central Office troubles with found network trouble (Disposition Code 05) where cleared time is after the committed time, for product group.			
Denominator	Number of Central Office Troubles (Disposition Code 05) for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-3-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-3-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	

## Function: MR-4 Trouble Duration Intervals Definition:

The MR-4 sub-metrics measure average network trouble duration intervals.

Network Trouble means a trouble where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03 (Drop Wire), 04 (Cable) or 05 (Central Office). Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

**For Retail POTS**, trouble duration intervals are measured on a *running clock* (7 days X 24 hours) basis (i.e., clock does not stop until trouble is cleared). Run clock includes nights, weekends and holidays.

For UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loop products, trouble duration intervals are measured on a limited *stop clock* basis. A limited *stop clock* is used when access to the customer premises, provided by the CLEC and its end user, is after the offered repair interval. For example, if customer premises access is not available on a weekend, the clock stops at 5:00 PM Friday, and resumes at 08:00 AM Monday. This applies to dispatch out tickets only.

For Special Services and CLEC Trunks, trouble duration intervals are measured on a *stop clock* basis (e.g., the clock is stopped when CLEC testing is occurring, Consolidated Communications is awaiting CLEC acceptance, or Consolidated Communications is denied access or access is otherwise unavailable).

**MR-4-01**, **4-02** and **4-03** measure the mean time to repair (MTTR) network troubles. MTTR is the average duration interval from the time a network trouble report is received to the time the network trouble is cleared.

MR-4-04 measures the percent of troubles cleared within 24 hours of receipt of a trouble report.

**MR-4-05**, **4-06**, **4-07** and **4-08** measure the percent of Network Troubles that indicate an Out-Of-Service (OOS) condition which was repaired and cleared more than 2, 4, 12, or 24 hours after receipt of trouble report. The OOS period commences when the trouble is logged into Consolidated Communications' designated trouble management system (Remedy) after the trouble is entered via a trouble reporting interface (VFO).

For POTS Services (UNE 2-Wire Analog loops), OOS means that there is no dial tone, the customer cannot call out, or the customer cannot be called.

For UNE 2-Wire Digital, 2-Wire xDSL, UNE Specials and CLEC Trunks, an OOS condition is defined as follows: Troubles where, in the initial contact with the CLEC/End User customer, it is determined that the circuit is completely OOS and not just an intermittent problem, and the trouble completion code indicated that a trouble was found within the Consolidated Communications network.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- Troubles reported by Consolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer reported a trouble.
- Switch and Translation troubles from the Retail compare of UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop, and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loop.

For troubles where a stop clock or limited stop clock is used:

• The time period from when the stop clock is initiated until the time when the clock resumes.

Report Dimensions:			
Company:  CLEC Aggregate  CLEC Specific	Geography:  • State Specific  • Consolidated Communications: MR-4-01-5000, MR 4-05-5000		
Sub-Metrics:			

MR-4-01	Mean Time To Repair – Total
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)
Numerator	Sum of trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time for Central Office and Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) for product group.
Denominator	Number of Central Office and Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) for product
Borrommator	group.

Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-4-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible
MR-4-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	2 Hours	Eligible

MR-4-02	Mean Time To Repair – Loop Trouble				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	or/Denominator	)		
Numerator	Sum of the trouble clear date and time minus the trouble receipt date and time for Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) for product group.				
Denominator	Number of Loop trop	Number of Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title	uct Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-4-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops   Parity with Retail POTS   Eligible			Eligible	

MR-4-03 Mean Time To Repair – Central Office Trouble			
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator	·)	
Numerator	Sum of trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time for Central Office troubles (Disposition Code 05) for product group.		
Denominator	Number of Central Office troubles (Disposition Code 05) for product group.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-4-03-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible

MR-4-04 % Cleared within 24 Hours					
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denomination	ator x 100)			
Numerator		Number of troubles, where the trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time is less than or equal to 24 hours (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.			
Denominator	Number of Central Office and Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) for product group.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
MR-4-04-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic		
MR-4-04-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops Parity with Retail POTS Diagnostic				
MR-4-04-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity wtih IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

MR-4-05	% Out of Service > 2 Hours
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)
Numerator	Number of trunk troubles OOS, where the trouble clear date and time minus the trouble receipt date and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is greater than two (2) hours for product group.
Denominator	Number of Total OOS trunk troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.

Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-4-05-5000	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	Eligible

MR-4-06	% Out of Service > 4 Hours			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denomination	ator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of troubles OOS, where the trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is greater than four (4) hours.			
Denominator	Number of OOS troubles ((Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-4-06-3200	UNE Specials Parity with Retail Specials Eligible			
MR-4-06-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic	

MR-4-07	% Out of Service > 12 Hours		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	x 100)	
Numerator	Number of troubles OOS, where the trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is greater than 12 hours for product group.		
Denominator	Number of OOS troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-4-07-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible
MR-4-07-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic

MR-4-08 % Out of Service > 24 Hours			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	x 100)	
Numerator	Number of troubles OOS, where the trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is greater than 24 hours for product group.		
Denominator	Number of OOS troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-4-08-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic
MR-4-08-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic
MR-4-08-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic

## Function: MR-5 Repeat Troubles Definition:

The MR-5 sub-metrics measure the percent of troubles cleared that have an additional trouble cleared within 30 calendar days for which a network trouble (where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03, 04, or 05) is found.

A found repeat trouble is defined as a network trouble (where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03, 04 or 05) on the same line/circuit/trunk as a previous trouble cleared within 30 calendar days to any Disposition Code other than a misdirected code (e.g., 1236 (dispatch out), 1238 (dispatch in), 1320 (no direction provided)) or a no access code (e.g., 0666, 0941, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1217, 1225, 1233, 1241,1298).

For MR-5-02, a no trouble found repeat trouble is defined as a network trouble (where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03, 04 or 05) on the same line/circuit as a previous trouble cleared within 30 calendar days to No Trouble Found (Disposition Codes 1231, 1232 or 1239 or where the first two characters are 07, 08 or 09.)

The identification of a repeat trouble and the scoring (number of days since original report) is measured based on the Cleared Date of the original trouble report to the Cleared Date of the repeat trouble report.

Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE),
- Troubles reported by Consolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer reported a trouble,
- Troubles that are reported as installation troubles in the PR-6 (% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 or 7 Days) metric.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	Consolidated Communications: MR-5-01-5000
Sub-Metrics:	

MR-5-01 % Repeat Reports within 30 Days				
Metric Type	Ratio reported as Percent. (Numer	Ratio reported as Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of found repeat troubles closed within the calendar month. (denominator of MR-5-02)			
Denominator	Total troubles closed (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05), within the calendar month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-5-01-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-5-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible	
MR-5-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-5-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	Eligible	

MR-5-02	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	on No Trouble Found		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	x 100)		
Numerator	Number of no trouble found repeat	Number of no trouble found repeat troubles closed within the calendar month.		
Denominator	Number of found repeat troubles closed within the calendar month. (numerator of MR-5-01)			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
MR-5-02-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic	
MR-5-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic	

#### **NETWORK PERFORMANCE**

(NP)

#### **Function**

NP-1 Percent Final Trunk Group Blockage NP-2 Collocation Performance

## Function: NP-1 Percent Final Trunk Group Blockage Definition:

The NP-1 sub-metrics measure the percent of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups (FTGs) carrying traffic originating from Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC that exceed a measured blocking threshold of 2%. Trunk groups exceeding a measured 2% blocking threshold are considered blocked and require action to prevent future blocking. Monthly trunk blockage studies are based on a bouncing busy hour. The percentage of originating FTGs exceeding the measured 2% blocking threshold will be reported.

The NP-1 sub-metrics include all one-way FTGs originating from Consolidated Communications' tandem provisioned per CLEC request regardless of whether or not the CLEC utilizes the FTG. The NP-1 sub-metrics exclude FTGs that overflow to another trunk group.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Trunks with maintenance usage/activity,
- Trunks blocked due to CLEC reasons

(Consolidated Communications will email the affected CLEC's designated contact of the following situations for blocked trunks. The notification states that Consolidated Communications identified a blocked trunk group due to CLEC reasons and that the trunk group will be excluded from Consolidated Communications performance. Consolidated Communications will make the exclusion automatically, unless the CLEC responds back within two business days from the date the e-mail notification was sent with valid documentation that the information presented by Consolidated Communications for the trunk group blockage is inaccurate),

- Trunks blocked due to CLEC network failure,
- Trunks blocked where CLEC has not responded/denied Consolidated Communications' request for augmentation, or where Consolidated Communications' request is pending CLEC completion,
- Trunks blocked due to other CLEC trunk network rearrangements.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific
CLEC Specific	
Sub-Metrics:	·

NP-1-01	% Final Trunk Groups Exceeding BI	ocking Threshold		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of dedicated one-way Final T	Frunk Groups carrying originating traff	ic from	
	Consolidated Communications' tande	m to a CLEC that exceed a 2% block	ing threshold for	
	one (1) month.			
Denominator	Total number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from			
	Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance	
Wellic #	Product Title	Periormance Standard	Credit Status	
NP-1-01-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic	

NP-1-02	% Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Bl	ocking Threshold (No Exclusions)		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x	100)		
Numerator	Number of dedicated one-way Final T			
	Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold.			
Denominator	Total number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from			
	Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance			
Wellic #	Product Title	Periormance Standard	Credit Status	
NP-1-02-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic	

NP-1-03 Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold –2 Months			
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold for two (2) consecutive months.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-1-03-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic

NP-1-04 Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold –3 Months			
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from Consolidated Communications' tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold for three (3) consecutive months.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-1-04-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic

## Function: NP-2 Collocation Performance Definition:

The NP-2 sub-metrics measure the timeliness of processing collocation applications and provisioning arrangements for physical and virtual collocation arrangement products ordered and provisioned via Consolidated Communications' state tariffs and virtual collocation arrangement products ordered and provisioned via Consolidated Communications' federal tariff. Products included are new arrangements and augments to existing arrangements where Consolidated Communications is required to perform work to add capacity for space, cable termination or DC power. Both state and federal collocation arrangements are provisioned in accordance with the completion intervals listed in the state tariff.

The collocation application date is the date a valid service request is received. A valid service request is a complete and accurate collocation service request that is populated in accordance with the collocation application instructions and includes the collocation application fee, if applicable (refer to URL table in front of this section). Application responses are reported in the month the response is sent.

The collocation completion date is the date Consolidated Communications advises the CLEC that all work on the collocation arrangement has been completed, the arrangement is suitable for use by the CLEC and the cable assignment information (CFA) necessary to use the facility has been provided to the CLEC.

CLECs shall have 5 business days after completion advisement to inspect a completed arrangement and notify Consolidated Communications that the arrangement is not suitable for use by the CLEC. Absent CLEC notification within the 5 business day period that an arrangement is not suitable for use, the arrangement will be considered accepted for metric reporting purposes. Should Consolidated Communications concur that an arrangement is not suitable for use the clock will be restarted effective on the date the CLEC notified Consolidated Communications, and the measured completion interval will be extended until the date Consolidated Communications advises the CLEC that all work is completed. Collocation arrangement completions are reported in the month the arrangement is considered accepted.

If a CLEC delays the collocation installation, the collocation due date is extended by the same number of days as the CLEC-caused delay.

Consolidated Communications and the CLECs may negotiate shorter or longer due date (DD) intervals after Consolidated Communications completes an initial space assessment and determination of the collocation request. In these cases, the NP-2 % On-time sub-metrics measure whether or not Consolidated Communications met the negotiated due date. The negotiated due date is documented on the initial response form. If Consolidated Communications is not able to provide a due date on the initial response form due to space not being immediately available to accommodate the CLEC request, but space is pending, Consolidated Communications will confirm the negotiated due date via a subsequent letter to the CLEC, rather than reject the request.

# Exclusions: None. Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Sub-Metrics: Geography: State Specific

NP-2-01	% On Time Response to Re	quest for Collocation	
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denor	ninator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of requests for Collocation arrangements where response date minus application date is less than or equal to 7 business days.		
Denominator	Number of requests for Collocation where response was sent in report period.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-2-01-6701	Collocation - New	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	Eligible
NP-2-01-6702	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	Eligible

NP-2-05	% On Time – Physical Colle	ocation		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denor	minator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Physical Colloca	Number of Physical Collocation arrangements completed on or before DD.		
Denominator	Number of Physical Colloca	Number of Physical Collocation arrangements completed in report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
NP-2-05-6701	Collocation - New	≥ 95% on or before DD	Eligible	
NP-2-05-6702	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	Eligible	

NP-2-06	% On Time – Virtual Colloca	ation		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denor	minator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Virtual Collocation	Number of Virtual Collocation arrangements completed on or before DD.		
Denominator	Number of Virtual Collocation arrangements completed in report month.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
NP-2-06-6701	Collocation - New	≥ 95% on or before DD	Eligible	
NP-2-06-6702	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	Eligible	

NP-2-07	Total Delay Days – Physical Collocation		
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Sum of completion date min Collocation arrangements.	nus DD counted in business days for all missed	Physical
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-2-07-6701	Collocation - New	0 (zero) Days	Eligible
NP-2-07-6702	Collocation - Augment	0 (zero) Days	Eligible

NP-2-08	Total Delay Days - Virtual (	Collocation	
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Sum of completion date min arrangements.	nus DD counted in business days for missed Vir	tual Collocation
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-2-08-6701	Collocation - New	0 (zero) Days	Eligible
NP-2-08-6702	Collocation - Augment	0 (zero) Days	Eligible

#### **BILLING PERFORMANCE**

(BI)

	Function
BI-2	Timeliness of Carrier Bill
BI-3	Billing Accuracy and Claims Processing
BI-9	Billing Completeness

Function:				
BI-2 Timeliness of C	LEC Bill			
Definition:				
The BI-2 sub-metric measures the percent of UNE bills distributed to CLECs within 10 business days of the bill date specified on the CLEC bill. UNE bills are posted to the Consolidated Communications designated portal (in bdt format) or distributed to the CLEC via paper or electronic format, based on the CLEC Profile.				
Exclusions:				
None.				
Report Dimensions:				
Company:	Geography:			
CLEC Aggregate     State Specific				
CLEC Specific				
Sub-Metric:				

BI-2-01	Timeliness of CLE	C Bill	
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerat	or/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of UNE bil	Is distributed to CLEC within 10 business day	ys of bill date.
Denominator	Number of CLEC UNE Bills distributed.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-2-01-3000	UNE	≥ 98% within 10 Business Days	Diagnostic

### Function: BI-3 Billing Accuracy & Claims Processing Definition:

The BI-3 sub-metrics measure the timeliness of Consolidated Communications' acknowledgement and resolution of CLEC billing claims. These sub-metrics measure claims pertaining to the CLEC's local UNE bill of record. CLEC claims submitted within 60 calendar days of the bill date are included.

Business hours for receipt of billing claims and transmission of responses are Monday through Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, excluding Consolidated Communications observed holidays. CLEC claims for billing errors received by Consolidated Communications, or Consolidated Communications responses sent to CLECs, outside of these business hours, are considered received/sent at 8:00 AM on the next business day. Only claims uploaded directly by a CLEC to Consolidated Communications' wholesale claim processing system or submitted via e-mail to Consolidated Communications' wholesale bill claim center are included in the BI-3 metric calculations.

#### Acknowledgment

- Acknowledgement is defined as the transmission of an email message acknowledging receipt of the claim with required information, or informing the CLEC that the claim cannot be processed, sent to the e-mail address from which the CLEC sent the claim or the e-mail address specified by the CLEC. The message will contain both the Consolidated Communications claim number and the associated CLEC claim number (when provided by the CLEC).
- Day of receipt shall be considered Day zero (0).
   Date/time the Acknowledgement message is sent shall be considered the Acknowledgement time of record.

#### Resolution

- A claim is considered "resolved" when Consolidated Communications transmits an e-mail to the e-mail address from which the CLEC sent the claim or the e-mail address specified by the CLEC that either: 1) denies the claim, 2) grants the claim or 3) denies the claim in part and grants the claim in part.
- Day of acknowledgement of a billing claim shall be considered Day "0."
- Day claim resolution is transmitted to the CLEC shall be considered the resolution date. If the 28th calendar day falls on a weekend or Consolidated Communications Holiday, claim resolution will be considered timely if returned on the next business day.

#### Scope

• For each UNE master billing account number (BAN), each bill line/TN/circuit item identified by the CLEC will count as a separate claim. There is no limitation on the number of claims by BAN.

**Note:** Sub-metric BI-3-08 is reported on a two (2) month delayed basis (e.g., if report month is March, data month is January).

#### **Exclusions:**

- CLEC claims for PAP/WPP performance credits,
- Claims not uploaded or not submitted via email to Consolidated Communications's wholesale billing claims center.

## Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Geography: State Specific

#### Sub-Metrics:

BI-3-04	-3-04 % CLEC Billing Claims Acknowledged within 2 Business Days of Receipt			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of billing cla	Number of billing claims acknowledged within two business days of receipt.		
Denominator	Total number of billing claims acknowledged in report month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
BI-3-04-1000	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	Eligible	

BI-3-05	% CLEC Billing Claims Resolved within 28 Calendar Days After Acknowledgement			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of billing claims where the claim was resolved within 28 calendar days after acknowledgement.			
Denominator	Total number of billing claims resolved in the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
BI-3-05-1000	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	Eligible	

BI-3-07	% Full or Partial De	nials	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of billing claims in report month for which the Consolidated Communications resolution is a full or partial denial.		
Denominator	Total number of billing claims resolved in report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-3-07-3000	UNE	No Standard	Diagnostic

BI-3-08	% CLEC Billing Claim Adjustments Appearing on the Bill within 45 Calendar Days			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of resolved billing claims in the data month where the adjustment has appeared on a bill in 45 or less days from the resolution date.			
Denominator	Total number of resolved billing claims in the data month where adjustment is granted.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
BI-3-08-1000	Resale & UNE	≥ 97.5%	Eligible	

## Function: BI-9 Billing Completeness Definition:

The BI-9 metric captures the completeness of the absolute value of the Consolidated Communications debit and credit charges shown on the CLEC UNE bill of record (issued during the reporting month.)

Billing adjustments (i.e. rate changes, rate restructures) as a result of a regulatory order (including but not limited to retroactive regulatory orders) are considered timely if billed within twelve billing cycles from the date the order is effective, unless otherwise ordered.

#### **Exclusions:**

- PAP/WPP Performance Credits,
- · Charges attributable to fraud,
- Charges delayed by a third party carrier (e.g., meet point billing),
- · Account charges written-off for bill closure,
- Balance transfers.

Balance transfers.	
Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	Consolidated Communications
CLEC Specific	State Specific
Sub-Metric:	

BI-9-01	BI-9-01 % Billing Completeness in 12 Billing Cycles			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numer	rator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator		Absolute value of debit and credit charges shown on the current bill that were incurred in the last twelve billing cycles.		
Denominator	Absolute value of	Absolute value of debit and credit charges shown on the current bill.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
BI-9-01-3000	UNE	≥ 96%	Eligible	

#### **APPENDICES:**

Statistical Methodologies for Parity Measures Small Sample Size Methodology for Benchmark Measures

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Glossary

#### **APPENDIX 1**

#### **Statistical Methodology for Parity Measures**

#### Appendix 1

#### **Statistical Metrics Evaluation Procedures for Parity Measures**

Statistical evaluation is used here as a tool to assess whether Consolidated Communications' wholesale service performance to CLECs is at least equal in quality to the service performance Consolidated Communications (ILEC) provides to itself (i.e., parity). Performance measures that have a parity standard are metrics where both Consolidated Communications' local wholesale service (CLEC) and Consolidated Communications' retail service (ILEC) performance are reported. <sup>16</sup>

#### A. Statistical Framework

The statistical tests of the null hypothesis of parity against the alternative hypothesis of non-parity defined in this Appendix use ILEC and CLEC observational data. The ILEC and CLEC observations for each month are treated as random samples drawn from operational processes that run over multiple months. The null hypothesis is that the CLEC performance is at least equal to or better than the ILEC performance.

Statistical tests should be performed under the following conditions.

- 1) The data are reasonably free of measurement/reporting error.
- 2) The ILEC to CLEC comparisons are reasonably like to like.
- 3) The minimum sample size requirement for statistical testing is met. (addressed in Section B)
- 4) The observations are independent. (addressed in Section D)

These conditions are presumed to be met until contrary evidence indicates otherwise.

#### B. Sample Size Requirements

The assumptions that underlie the statistical models of the WPP include the requirement that the two groups of data are comparable. With larger sample sizes, random factors affecting measured performance are more likely to average out. With smaller sample sizes, the characteristics of the sample may not reasonably represent those of the population. Statistical analysis is performed only if the sample size is sufficiently large to minimize the violations of the assumptions underlying the statistical model.

The following sample size requirements are used in this Plan when evaluating performance for parity metrics. The statistical tests defined in this Appendix are performed under the following conditions:

If there are only 6 of one group (ILEC or CLEC), the other must be at least 30. If there are only 7 of one, the other must be at least 18. If there are only 8 of one, the other must be at least 14.

Section 251(c)(2)(C) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 states that facilities should be provided to CLECs on a basis "that is at least equal in quality to that provided by the local exchange carrier to itself." Paragraph 3 of Appendix B of FCC Memorandum Opinion and Order in CC Docket No. 99-295 In the Matter of Application by Bell Atlantic New York for Authorization Under Section 271 of the Communications Act To Provide In-Region, InterLATA Service in the State of New York, adopted on December 21, 1999 (FCC 99-404) states, "Statistical tests can be used as a tool in determining whether a difference in the measured values of two metrics means that the metrics probably measure two different processes, or instead that the two measurements are likely to have been produced by the same process."

If there are only 9 of one, the other must be at least 12. Any sample of at least 10 of one and at least 10 of the other is to be used for statistical evaluation.

When a parity metric comparison does not meet the above sample size criteria, a statistical score (Z score equivalent) will not be reported, but rather an "SS" (for Small Sample) will be recorded in the statistical score column; however, the means (or proportions), number of observations and standard deviations (for means only) will be reported.

Exceptions: The above small sample requirements do not apply to parity metrics excluded from the application of small sample rules (as identified in Appendix 4).

#### C. Statistical Testing Procedures

Parity metric measurements that meet the sample size criteria in Section B will be evaluated according to the statistical test procedures defined below. These procedures test the null hypothesis that Consolidated Communications' wholesale performance is at parity (at least equal to or better than Consolidated Communications' retail performance) against the alternative hypothesis of no parity (that Consolidated Communications' wholesale performance is worse than Consolidated Communications' retail performance.)

Exception: For parity metrics for which the small sample rules do not apply (as identified in Appendix 4), if the sample size is insufficient for statistical testing but there is activity in retail ("ILEC activity"), performance will be evaluated based on a straight (not involving statistical procedures) comparison to retail performance to determine met or miss.

<u>C.1. Statistical Testing for the Metrics of Averages</u> (i.e., metrics of intervals, such as mean time to repair or average delay days):

The one-tailed permutation test is used to evaluate performance on the Average parity metrics – metrics for which performance is measured as an "average" (also referred to here as a "mean.") Its general logic is as follows:

Combine the ILEC and CLEC observations into one group, where the total number of observations is  $n_{ilec+}$   $n_{clec}$ . Take a sufficiently large number of random samples of size  $n_{clec}$  (e.g., 500,000). Record the mean of each re-sample of size  $n_{clec}$ . Sort the re-sampled means from best to worst (left to right) and compare where on the distribution of re-sampled means the original CLEC mean is located. If 5% or less of the means lie to the right of the reported CLEC mean, then reject the null hypothesis that the original CLEC sample and the original ILEC sample came from the same population.

If the null hypothesis is correct, a permutation test yields a probability value (*p value*) representing the probability that the difference (or larger) in the ILEC and CLEC sample means is due to random variation.

Permutation test's p values are transformed into "Z score equivalents." These "Z score equivalents" refer to the standard normal Z score that has the same probability as the p-values from the permutation test. Specifically, this statistical score equivalent refers to the inverse of the standard normal cumulative distribution associated with the probability of seeing the reported CLEC mean, or worse, in the distribution of re-sampled permutation test means. A Z score of less than or equal to -1.645 occurs at most 5% of the time under the null hypothesis that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean. A Z score greater than -1.645 (p-value greater than 5%) supports the belief that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean. For reporting purposes, Z score equivalents equal to or greater than 5.0000 are displayed on monthly reports as 5.0000. Similarly, values for Z statistics equal to or less than -5.0000 are displayed as -5.0000.

The following steps are involved in the permutation test procedure:

- 1. Compute and store the mean for the original CLEC data set.
- 2. Combine the ILEC and CLEC data to form one data set.
- 3. Draw a random sample without replacement of size n<sub>clec</sub> (sample size of original CLEC data) from the combined data set.
  - a) Compute the test statistic (re-sampled CLEC mean).
  - b) Store the new value of test statistic for comparison with the value obtained from the original observations.
  - c) Recombine the data set.
- 4. Repeat Step 3 enough times such that if the test were re-run many times the results would not vary at or before the fourth decimal place of the reported Z score equivalent (e.g., draw 500,000 resamples per Step 3).
- 5. Sort the CLEC means created and stored in Step 3 and Step 4 in ascending order (CLEC means from best to worst).
- 6. Determine where the original CLEC sample mean is located relative to the collection of re-sampled CLEC sample means. Specifically, compute the percentile of the original CLEC sample mean.
- 7. Reject the null hypothesis if the percentile of the test statistic (original CLEC mean) for the observations is less than .05 (5%). That is, if 95% or more of the re-sampled CLEC means are better than the original CLEC sample mean, then reject the null hypothesis that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean. Otherwise, the data support the belief that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean.
- 8. Generate the WMP Report "Z Score Equivalent," known in this document as the standard normal Z score that has the same percentile as the test statistic.

#### **C.2. Statistical Testing for Metrics of Percentages:**

A hypergeometric distribution based procedure (a.k.a., Fisher's Exact test) is used to evaluate performance for percentage metrics (also referred to as "counted" metrics since the performance is measured in terms of counts of success and failure). Using sample data, the hypergeometric distribution estimates the probability (*p value*) of seeing **at least** the number of failures found in the CLEC sample. In turn, this probability is converted to a Z score equivalent using the inverse of the standard normal cumulative distribution.

The hypergeometric distribution is as follows:

$$p \, value = 1 - \left\{ \sum_{i = \max(0, \{[n_{ilec} p_{ilec} + n_{clec} p_{clec}] + [n_{clec} p_{-llec}]\})} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right) \left( [n_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right) \left( [n_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{clec}] - [n_{clec} p_{ilec}] - [n_{clec$$

Where:

*p value* = the probability that the difference in the ILEC and CLEC sample proportions could have arisen from random variation, assuming the null hypothesis

 $n_{clec}$  and  $n_{ilec}$  = the CLEC and ILEC sample sizes (i.e., number of failures + number of successes)

 $p_{clec}$  and  $p_{ilec}$  = the proportions of CLEC and ILEC failed performance.

As an example, a percentage metric measured at 10% translates to a 0.10 proportion = number of failures / (number of failures + number of successes)

Either of the following two equations can be used to implement a hypergeometric distribution-based procedure:

The probability of observing **exactly**  $f_{clec}$  failures is given by:

$$\Pr(i = f_{clec}) = \frac{\binom{(f_{clec} + f_{ilec})}{f_{clec}} \binom{(n_{clec} + n_{ilec}) - (f_{clec} + f_{ilec})}{n_{clec} - f_{clec}}}{\binom{(n_{clec} + n_{ilec})}{n_{clec}}}$$

Where:

 $f_{clec}$  = CLEC failures in the sample (=  $n_{clec}$   $p_{clec}$ )  $f_{ilec}$  = ILEC failures in the sample (=  $n_{ilec}$   $p_{ilec}$ )  $n_{clec}$  = size of the CLEC sample  $n_{ilec}$  = size of the ILEC sample

Alternatively, the probability of observing **exactly** *f*<sub>clec</sub> failures is given by:

$$\Pr(i = f_{clec}) = \frac{n_{clec}! n_{ilec}! f_{total}! s_{total}!}{(n_{clec} + n_{ilec})! f_{clec}! (n_{clec} - f_{clec})! (f_{total} - f_{clec})! (n_{ilec} - f_{total} + f_{clec})!}$$

Where:

 $s_{clec}$  = the number of CLEC successes in the sample (=  $n_{clec}$  (1- $p_{clec}$ ))  $s_{ilec}$  = the number of ILEC successes in the sample (=  $n_{ilec}$  (1- $p_{ilec}$ ))  $f_{total} \equiv f_{clec} + f_{ilec}$   $s_{total} \equiv s_{clec} + s_{ilec}$ 

The probability of observing  $f_{clec}$  or more failures [ $Pr(i \ge f_{clec})$ ] is calculated according to the following steps:

- 1. Calculate the probability of observing exactly  $f_{clec}$  using either of the equations above.
- 2. Calculate the probability of observing all more extreme frequencies than  $i = f_{clec}$ , conditional on the
  - a.total number of successes (stotal),
  - b.total number of failures (ftotal),
  - c. total number of CLEC observations (n<sub>clec</sub>), and the
  - d.total number of ILEC observations (*n<sub>ilec</sub>*) remaining fixed.
- 3. Sum up all of the probabilities for  $Pr(i \ge f_{clec})$  to calculate the probability of observing the number of failures equal to or greater than  $f_{clec}$ ).
- 4. If that value is less than or equal to 0.05, then the null hypothesis of parity is rejected.
- 5. Convert the probability Pr( i≥ f<sub>clec</sub> ) into the Z score by using standard normal cumulative distribution.

#### **APPENDIX 2**

**Small Sample Size Methodology for Benchmark Measures** 

#### Appendix 2

#### Sample Size Scoring Procedures for Percentage Metrics with Benchmark Standards

#### A. Allowable Misses:

For percent metrics with benchmark standards, it is possible to have small sample sizes, such that just a single missed transaction within a report period can cause the measure to miss its benchmark. The plan recognizes that without an allowance for a single miss, the plan would effectively require perfection to avoid bill credits, which would be above the designated benchmark for the measure. Thus a "Met" will be assigned in any single miss situations as specified by the criteria below.

For percent metrics where higher performance is better ("HIB"), e.g., 95% on-time, or a 0.95 standard: - for any HIB counted variable metric where  $n < \{1/[1-standard]\}$ , (for example, for a 95% standard, n < (1/[1-0.95]) or n < 20)

0 misses is a Met performance score 1 miss is a Met performance score more than 1 miss is a Miss performance score

For percent metrics where lower performance is better ("LIB"), e.g., 5% missed appts, or a 0.05 standard:

- for any LIB counted variable metric where n <  $\{1/[standard]\}$ , (for example, for a 5% standard, n < (1/0.05) or n < 20)

0 misses is a Met performance score 1 miss is a Met performance score more than 1 miss is a Miss performance score

<u>Exception 1</u>: A number of benchmark metrics (as specified in Appendix4) are excluded from the above described small sample size rules. For these metrics, 1 miss is a Miss performance score.

Examples of what should be reported in the performance scores column for measures with different benchmark standards are shown in the tables below for different combinations of misses and sample sizes:

#### Metrics with a $\geq$ 95% or a $\leq$ 5% Standard:

Appendix 2 - Table 1

	Number of Misses				
Sample Size	0	1	2	3 or more	
1	Met	Met	NA	NA	
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA	
3 to 19	Met	Met	Miss	Miss	

<u>PO-1-08</u>: (≤ 0.33% Standard)

Appendix 2 - Table 2

	Number of Misses					
Sample Size	0	1	2	3 or more		
1	Met	Met	NA	NA		
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA		

3 to 302	Mot	Mot	Mico	Mico
3 to 302	Met	Met	Miss	Miss

<u>PR-6-02</u>: (≤ 2% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 3

	Number of Misses					
Sample Size	0	1	2	3 or more		
1	Met	Met	NA	NA		
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA		
3 to 49	Met	Met	Miss	Miss		

<u>BI-3-08</u>: (≥ 97.5% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 4

		Number of Misses					
Sample Size	0	1	2	3 or more			
1	Met	Met	NA	NA			
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA			
3 to 39	Met	Met	Miss	Miss			

OR-4-17: (≥ 95.5% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 5

	Number of Misses				
Sample Size	0	1	2	3 or more	
1	Met	Met	NA	NA	
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA	
3 to 21	Met	Met	Miss	Miss	

BI-9-3000: (≥ 96% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 6

	Number of Misses				
Sample Size	0	1	2	3 or more	
1	Met	Met	NA	NA	
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA	
3 to 24	Met	Met	Miss	Miss	

#### **APPENDIX 3**

**Projects Requiring Special Handling** 

#### Appendix 3

#### **Projects Requiring Special Handling**

A CLEC may request or Consolidated Communications may recommend special handling of non-standard or large-volume orders, or orders for government, hospital, emergency agencies or other sensitive customers, that require dedicated resources and detailed coordination between Consolidated Communications and the CLEC. This special handling and coordination enables Consolidated Communications and a CLEC to cooperatively plan and manage the ordering and provisioning of such orders. Business-to-business procedures for designating projects for special handling may be found on Consolidated Communications' wholesale website at:

http://www.consolidated.com/document/Special%20Project%20Guidelines%2001-11-2012\_tcm12-16478.pdf.

Projects subject to special handling are designated as a "special project." The Purchase Order Numbers (PONs) associated with the special project are referred to as "special project PONs."

Upon agreement of Consolidated Communications and the CLEC that the work will be handled as a special project, Consolidated Communications will provide the CLEC a waiver request template. The CLEC shall complete and return the written waiver to Consolidated Communications, specifying, among other things, the special project PONs or unique PON identifier, project start and end dates, ACNA, state, and the metrics from which the special project PONs will be excluded.

Consolidated Communications will exclude special project PONs from the metrics shown in Table A. Table B lists other metrics that may be excluded when circumstances warrant. Consolidated Communications will alert the CLEC of impacted Table B metrics as soon as possible in the project planning process.

#### TABLE A

Metric #	Metric Name	Reason for exclusion
OR-1 except for OR-1-02	Order Confirmation Timeliness	Special project orders require extra time and resources to manually coordinate order activity, process orders, and negotiate due dates.
OR-2 except for OR-2-02	Reject Timeliness	Special project orders require extra time and resources to manually coordinate order activity, process orders, and negotiate due dates.
PR-1	Average Interval Offered	Special project orders have non-standard due-date intervals.
PR-3	Percent of Orders Completed within Specified number of Bus. Days	Special project orders have non-standard due-date intervals.
PR-4-16	% Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time	Special project orders for directory listings do not generate individual directory listing orders in M6.

#### TABLE B

Metric #	Metric Name	Reason for exclusion
OR-4	Timeliness of Completion Notification	If the unique circumstances of the special project or account will cause the completion notifications to be delayed the orders will be excluded from relevant OR-4 metrics.
OR-5	Percent Flow-through LSRC	Special project orders for products that are designed to flow-through, that fall out for special handling, will be excluded.
PR-6-02	Percent Installation Troubles Reported within 7 Days	Special project hot cut orders will be excluded when cooperative testing will not occur.

Should Consolidated Communications and the CLEC not agree upon the terms of the special project, including the metrics to be excluded, the project will not receive special handling and normal business practices will be followed.

#### **APPENDIX 4**

**Metrics Subject to Performance Credits** 

Appendix 4:

Metrics subject to Performance Credits

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
PO-1- 01- 6040	Average Response Time - CSR	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 01- 6050	Average Response Time - CSR	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	Α	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 03- 6040	Average Response Time - Address Validation	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 03- 6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI	≤7.5 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 06- 6040	Average Response Time - Mech. Loop Qualification	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 06- 6050	Average Response Time - Mech. Loop Qualification	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 08- 6040	% Timeouts	XML	≤ 0.33%	В	Yes Appendix 2	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1- 08- 6050	% Timeouts	WEB GUI	≤ 0.33%	В	Yes Appendix 2	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-2- 02- 6000	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	VFO	≥ 99.5%	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-4- 01- 6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notices (types 3, 4 and 5)	≥ 95%	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-4- 01- 6671	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notices (types 1 and 2)	≥ 95%	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-4- 03- 6600	Change Management Notices - Delay ≥ 8 Days	Change Notices all types	0 (zero) Notices ≥ 8 Days	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-6- 01- 6000	Software Validation	VFO	≤ 5% Failed Transactions	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7- 01- 6000	% Production Software Referrals Resolved On Time	VFO	≥ 95% within 48 Hours/10 Business Days	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7- 02-	Delay Hours Production Software		0 (zero) production	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See	1

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
6000	Resolution - Change - Transactions Failed - No Workaround	VFO	resolution changes > 48 Hours			Table 1 in Section 1)	
PO-7- 03- 6000	Delay Days Production Software Resolution - Change - Transactions Failed - With Workaround	VFO	0 (zero) production resolution changes > 10 Business Days	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7- 04- 6000	Delay Hours - Failed/Rejected Test Deck Transactions - Transactions Failed - No Workaround	VFO	0 (zero) failed/rejected test deck transactions > 48 Hours	М	No	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-8- 01- 6100	% On Time - Manual Loop Qualification	Manual Loop Qual Request	≥ 95% within 48 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$40.00	1
OR-1- 02- 3332	% On Time LSRC - Flow-Through	UNE 2- Wire Loops	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-1- 04- 3112	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Check (Non- Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-1- 04- 3343	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Check (Non-Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-1- 06- 3200	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Business Days	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1
OR-1- 06- 3112	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-1- 06- 3343	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-1- 12- 5020	% On Time ASRC	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecaste d)	≥ 95% within 10 Business Days	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1
OR-1- 12- 5030	% On Time ASRC	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecast ed, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1
OR-1- 13- 5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95% On or Before DLRD	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
OR-2- 02- 3332	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Loops	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-2- 04- 3112	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility Check (Non-Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-2- 04- 3343	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility Check (Non-Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-2- 06- 3200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow-Through)	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Business Days	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1
OR-2- 06- 3112	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-2- 06- 3343	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow-Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-2- 12- 5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecaste d)	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1
OR-4- 16- 3000	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers Sent within One Business Day	UNE	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-4- 17- 3000	% Billing Completion Notifiers Sent On Time	UNE	≥ 95.5% within 2 or 4 Business Days of Provisioning Completion	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-5- 03- 3112	% Flow-Through Achieved	UNE 2- wire Analog Loop	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$35.00	1
OR-5- 03- 3121	% Flow-Through Achieved	Directory Listing & LNP	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$35.00	1
OR-6- 01- 3332	% Service Order Accuracy	UNE 2- Wire Loops	≥ 95% without Errors	Н	Yes – Appendix 2	\$56.00	1
OR-6- 03- 3332	% Resent LSRC	UNE 2- Wire Loops/LN P	≤ 5% due to Errors	В	Yes – Appendix 2	\$28.00	1
OR-6- 04- 1040	% Accuracy - Directory Listing	Directory listings	≥ 95% without Errors	Н	Yes – Appendix 2	\$40.00	1

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
PR-3- 02- 3113	% Completed in 4 Days  – No Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop – New	Parity with Retail POTS - New	E	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-3- 07- 3113	% Completed in 4 Days – Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop – New	Parity with Retail POTS - New	E	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-3- 10- 3343	% Completed in 6 Days (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$60.00	2
PR-4- 01- 3211	% Missed Due Date	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$126.00	2
PR-4- 01- 3213	% Missed Due Date	UNE DS3	≤ 5%	D	Yes -Appendix 2	\$280.00	2
PR-4- 02- 3112	Average Delay Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-4- 02- 3200	Average Delay Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$150.00	2
PR-4- 02- 3343	Average Delay Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-4- 02- 5000	Average Delay Days	CLEC Trunks	5 Days	F	No	\$150.00	2
PR-4- 04- 3113	% Missed Due Date - Dispatch	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop – New	Parity with Retail POTS - New	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-4- 05- 3113	% Missed Due Date - No Dispatch	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop – New	Parity with Retail POTS- New	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-4- 07- 3540	% On Time Performance – LNP Only	UNE LNP	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$35.00	2
PR-4- 14- 3343	% Met Due Date	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$60.00	2
PR-4- 15- 5000	% Met Due Date - Trunks	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$150.00	2

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
PR-4- 16- 1040	% Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time	Directory Listings	≥ 95% within 1 Business Day	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$23.00	2
PR-6- 01- 3113	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop – New	Parity with Retail POTS - Dispatched	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-6- 01- 3200	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$150.00	2
PR-6- 01- 3343	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS - Dispatched	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-6- 01- 5000	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	D	Yes – Appendix 2	\$150.00	2
PR-6- 02- 3520	% Installation Troubles Reported within 7 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≤ 2%	В	Yes – Appendix 2	\$60.00	2
PR-8- 01- 3112	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-8- 01- 3200	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$150.00	2
PR-8- 01- 3343	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
PR-8- 01- 5000	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	D	Yes – Appendix 2	\$150.00	2
PR-9- 01- 3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95% Completed within Window	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$100.00	2
PR-9- 08- 3520	Average Duration of Hot Cut Installation Troubles	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	Parity with Retail POTS - New	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$100.00	2
MR-1- 01- 6000	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Α	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
MR-1- 06- 6000	Average Response Time - Test Trouble	VFO	≤ 90 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
MR-3- 01- 3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$70.00	2
MR-3- 01- 3343	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$70.00	2
MR-3- 02- 3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$70.00	2
MR-3- 02- 3343	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$70.00	2
MR-4- 01- 3200	Mean Time To Repair - Total	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$125.00	2
MR-4- 01- 5000	Mean Time To Repair - Total	CLEC Trunks	2 Hours	F	No	\$125.00	2
MR-4- 02- 3112	Mean Time To Repair  - Loop Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
MR-4- 02- 3343	Mean Time To Repair – Loop Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
MR-4- 03- 3112	Mean Time To Repair  – Central Office Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
MR-4- 03- 3343	Mean Time To Repair  – Central Office  Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Appendix 1	\$60.00	2
MR-4- 05- 5000	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	D	Yes – Appendix 2	\$175.00	2
MR-4- 06- 3200	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$175.00	2
MR-4- 07- 3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$100.00	2
MR-4- 07- 3343	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$100.00	2

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
MR-5- 01- 3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$100.00	2
MR-5- 01- 3200	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail POTS Specials	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$200.00	2
MR-5- 01- 3343	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Appendix 1	\$100.00	2
MR-5- 01- 5000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	CLEC Trunks	≤ 5%	D	Yes – Appendix 2	\$200.00	2
NP-2- 01- 6701	% On Time Response to Request for Collocation	Collocatio n - New	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	С	No	\$70.00	1
NP-2- 01- 6702	% On Time Response to Request for Collocation	Collocatio n - Augment	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	С	No	\$70.00	1
NP-2- 05- 6701	% On Time - Physical Collocation	Collocatio n - New	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$1000.00	1
NP-2- 05- 6702	% On Time - Physical Collocation	Collocatio n - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$1000.00	1
NP-2- 06- 6701	% On Time - Virtual Collocation	Collocatio n - New	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$1000.00	1
NP-2- 06- 6702	% On Time - Virtual Collocation	Collocatio n - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$1000.00	1
NP-2- 07- 6701	Total Delay Days - Physical Collocation	Collocatio n - New	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.00	1
NP-2- 07- 6702	Total Delay Days - Physical Collocation	Collocatio n - Augment	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.00	1
NP-2- 08- 6701	Total Delay Days - Virtual Collocation	Collocatio n - New	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.00	1
NP-2- 08- 6702	Total Delay Days - Virtual Collocation	Collocatio n - Augment	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.00	1
BI-3- 04- 3000	% CLEC Billing Claims Acknowledged within 2 Business Days of Receipt	UNE	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$10.00	2
BI-3- 05- 3000	% CLEC Billing Claims Resolved within 28 Calendar Days After Acknowledgment	UNE	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$50.00	2
BI-3- 08-	% CLEC Billing Claim Credits Not Appearing	UNE	≥ 97.5%	С	Yes – Appendix 2	\$50.00	2

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Method	Application of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualified Miss	Escalation Method
3000	on the Bill within 45 Calendar Days						
BI-9- 01- 3000	% Billing Completeness in 12 Billing Cycles	UNE	≥ 96%	М	Yes – Appendix 2	Per Measure Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	2

## **APPENDIX 5**

# **Diagnostic Metrics**

# Appendix 5

# **Diagnostic Metrics**

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
PO-1-05-6040	Average Response Time - TN Availability & Reservation	XML	≤4.5 Seconds
PO-1-05-6050	Average Response Time - TN Availability & Reservation	WEB GUI	≤7.5 seconds
PO-1-07-6040	Average Response Time - Rejected Query	XML	≤4.5 Seconds
PO-1-07-6050	Average Response Time - Rejected Query	WEB GUI	≤7.5 seconds
PO-1-09-6040	Average Response Time - Parsed CSR	XML	≤4.5 Seconds
PO-3-02-3000	% Answered within 30 Seconds - Ordering	UNE	≥ 80%
PO-3-04-3000	% Answered within 30 Seconds - Repair	UNE	≥ 80%
PO-4-02-6600	Change Management Notices - Delay 1 to 7 Days	Change Notices all types	No Standard
PO-5-01-6500	% On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage	OSS Interface Outage Notifications	≥ 95% within 20 Minutes of Outage
OR-2-12-5030	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval
OR-4-11-3000	% Completed Orders with Neither a PCN nor BCN Sent	UNE	≤ 0.25% within 2 Business Days of Provisioning Completion
OR-5-01-3112	% Flow-Through – Total	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	No Standard
PR-1-04-3112	Average Interval Offered - Dispatch (6 to 9 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
PR-1-05-3112	Average Interval Offered - Dispatch (≥ 10 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
PR-1-09-3211	Average Interval Offered	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1
PR-1-09-3213	Average Interval Offered	UNE DS3	Parity with Retail DS3
PR-1-09-5020	Average Interval Offered	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-1-09-5030	Average Interval Offered	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-3-06-3113	% Completed in 3 Days – Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS
PR-3-08-3520	% Completed in 5 Days – No Dispatch (1 to 10 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95%
PR-3-11-3520	% Completed in 10 Days – No Dispatch (11 to 20 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95%

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
PR-5-01-5000	% Missed Due Date - Facilities	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-5-02-3112	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
PR-5-02-3200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials
PR-5-02-3343	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	No Standard
PR-5-02-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-5-03-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 60 Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-8-02-3112	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
PR-8-02-3200	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials
PR-8-02-3343	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
PR-8-02-5000	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-1-02-6000	Average Response Time - Status Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds
MR-1-03-6000	Average Response Time - Modify Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds
MR-1-04-6000	Average Response Time - Request Cancellation of Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds
MR-1-05-6000	Average Response Time –Status &Trouble History	VFO	No Standard
MR-2-01-3200	Network Trouble Report Rate	UNE Specials	No Standard
MR-2-01-5000	Network Trouble Report Rate	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-2-02-3112	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-02-3343	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-03-3112	Network Trouble Report Rate - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-03-3343	Network Trouble Report Rate - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-04-3112	% Cleared within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-04-3200	% Cleared within 24 Hours	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials
MR-4-04-3343	% Cleared within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-04-5000	% Cleared within 24 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-4-06-5000	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
MR-4-07-5000	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-08-3200	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials
MR-4-08-3343	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-08-5000	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-5-02-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	UNE 2 Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-5-02-3200	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials
MR-5-02-3343	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
NP-1-01-5100	% Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
NP-1-02-5100	% Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold (No Exclusions)	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
NP-1-03-5100	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold - 2 Months	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
NP-1-04-5100	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold - 3 Months	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
BI-2-01-3000	Timeliness of CLEC Bill	UNE	≥ 98% within 10 Business Days
BI-3-07-3000	% Full or Partial Denials	UNE	No Standard

## **APPENDIX 6**

# Sample Report

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## Sample Report



## **APPENDIX 7**

Glossary

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## Glossary

ASR	Access Service Request
ASRC	Access Service Request Confirmation
Administrative Orders	Orders issued and completed by Consolidated Communications for administrative purposes and NOT at the request of a CLEC or end user. These also include administrative orders for Consolidated Communications official lines and LIDT (Left in Dial Tone).
Basic Front-end Edits	Edits performed by VFO prior to order acceptance.
Billing Completed	The date the order is posted to the customer account. For Wholesale customers, this triggers the Billing Completion Notice (BCN). Also referred to as Billing Completion Date.
BCN	Billing Completion Notice
Bill Cycle Hold	Time during which Consolidated Communications Billing systems hold transactions while the monthly bill is processed.
CLEC Trunks	Interconnection Trunks dedicated to an individual CLEC used to originate and terminate local traffic between Consolidated Communications' network and that CLEC's network.
Coordinated Hot Cut	The near simultaneous disconnection of a Consolidated Communications working loop from a port on one local exchange carrier's switch, and the reconnection of that same loop to a port on a CLEC's switch, without any significant out-of-service period.
CPE	Customer Premises Equipment
Dispatched Order	Order requiring dispatch of a Consolidated Communications Field technician outside of a Consolidated Communications Central Office.
Disposition Code	Code assigned by the Consolidated Communications Field Technician upon closure of a trouble, which identifies the plant type/location in the network where the trouble was found. (Refer to the URL matrix in the WPP guidelines to obtain the list of disposition codes.)
DUF	Daily Usage Feed
Flow-Through:	Orders received electronically through the VFO ordering interface that require no manual intervention to be entered into the ordering system or rejected back to the CLEC.
Loop Qualification	Process used to determine if a loop facility meets or can be upgraded to meet specifications necessary for 2-Wire Digital or xDSL services.
LSR	Local Service Request
LSRC	Local Service Request Confirmation
Negotiated Interval	Process whereby Consolidated Communications and a CLEC mutually agree on a delivery date for a requested product/service.
Non-Dispatch Orders:	Orders completed without a dispatch outside a Consolidated Communications Central Office. Includes orders with translation changes and dispatches inside a Consolidated Communications Central Office.
OSS	Operations Support Systems
POTS	Plain Old Telephone Services. Voice grade analog lines, which include all non-designed lines/circuits that originate on a Consolidated Communications central office OE (local switch office equipment) and terminate on a Network Interface Device (NID) at a customer premises. POTS include Centrex, and PBX trunks.
PON	Purchase Order Number. Unique order number provided by CLEC to Consolidated Communications on an LSR or ASR.
PCN	Provisioning Completion Notice
Provisioning Completed	Date noted on the service order when all physical work is completed as ordered. Also referred to as Provisioning Completion.

Trunk Projects	Request for a new trunk group or augment to an existing trunk group for greater than 384 trunks.
Reject	A response sent to the CLEC indicating there is an omission or error in required information for a submitted order. Rejects also include a query where notification is provided to a CLEC for clarification on a submitted order. The order is considered rejected and order processing is suspended while a request is returned or queried.
Retail Specials	Retail services that require engineering design. These services include (but are not limited to) high capacity services (DS1, DS3, primary rate ISDN, 4-Wire xDSL services, and private lines or foreign served services (a line physically in one exchange, served by another through a circuit). Excludes special access and switched access services purchased under a state or federal access tariff.
Test Orders	Orders processed by Consolidated Communications or a CLEC for testing purposes.
VFO	Virtual Front Office
WebGUI	World Wide Web Graphical User Interface
XML	Extensible Markup Language

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# **Wholesale Performance Plan**

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#### INTRODUCTION

This document and its appendices describe the wholesale services metrics and performance standards applicable to Northern New England Telephone Operations LLCConsolidated Communications of Northern New England Company LLC and Telephone Operating Company of Vermont LLCConsolidated Communications of Vermont Company LLC (collectively "FairPoint NNE" or "FairPointConsolidated Communications"). This document consists of two major sections and seven supporting appendices, which collectively are referred to as the "Wholesale Performance Plan," "WPP," or "Plan." The WPP is a self-executing remedy plan that ensures FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will provide services, access and interconnection to Competitive Local Exchange Carriers ("CLECs") consistent with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, State law and regulation, and stipulations between the CLECs and FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications.

The metrics used to measure performance set forth in Section 2 are referred to as the "WPP Guidelines" or "Guidelines." The "Wholesale Performance Plan Performance Reports" generated in accordance with the WPP Guidelines, inclusive of the bill credit calculation results, are referred to as the "WPP Performance Reports" or "WPP Reports" or "Reports." The WPP Guidelines and Reports replace in their entirety the Carrier-To-Carrier "C2C" Guidelines and C2C Reports and the Performance Assurance Plan "PAP" and PAP Reports. An "eligible CLEC" is one that has established a CLEC profile with FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications and purchases services, interconnection and/or access covered by the scope of the Plan within a given month. Monthly CLEC results (CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate) reported in this plan include all eligible CLEC transactions. For each state, CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate WPP Performance Reports will be produced pursuant to the Guidelines on a monthly basis. Any CLEC that wishes to obtain its CLEC specific WPP Report must establish or update its CLEC profile with FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications. <sup>1</sup>

Section 1 of the WPP contains the terms and provisions of the WPP, including the methodologies used to measure wholesale service performance and calculate bill credits. Section 2 (Guidelines) defines the metrics used to measure and report wholesale service performance. Metric definitions, performance standards,

A CLEC currently subscribed to receive CLEC-specific C2C and PAP reports on the effective date of the WPP will be converted automatically to receive its WPP Performance Report.

measurement calculations, reporting levels, and geographic levels are set forth in the Guidelines section. The Appendices contain detailed information relevant to Sections 1 and 2. 5

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#### A. OVERVIEW

The WPP is designed to be an administratively simple plan that measures FairPointConsolidated's wholesale service performance and provides bill credits to CLECs for transactions when the performance standard is scored as a "miss." For each state, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will report its performance on the WPP on a monthly basis. Within 28 days of the close of the month in which performance is being reviewed, WPP credits will be calculated for each CLEC and WPP Reports will be issued.

To the extent that a CLEC is entitled to performance bill credits under an interconnection agreement between the CLEC and FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications signed prior to the effective date of this WPP, such interconnection agreement bill credits will be credited against and reduce any amount due to the CLEC under the WPP.

#### 1. Measures and Standards

Metrics eligible for bill credits are specified in Section 2 (Guidelines) and Appendix 4. Appendix 4 identifies the specific methodology used to calculate individual bill credits if performance is missed as well as the applicability of small sample size rules. Metrics reported for diagnostic purposes, which are not subject to performance bill credits, are specified in Section 2 and listed in Appendix 5. The metrics defined in Section 2 use standards and measures, including individual data points, to track and report FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's performance. Standards for some metrics are based on analogous FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications retail services to ensure parity of service. Performance standards for other metrics are based on benchmarks. For some metrics, data is reported for diagnostic purposes only.

#### B. METRICS SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE BILL CREDITS

Bill credits are calculated either on a "per measure" or a "per unit" basis. Per Measure metrics have specified dollar amounts at risk that will be allocated to impacted CLECs across the three NNE states if performance is scored as a "miss." The total amount of dollars to be credited for the per measure metrics

Performance scored as a "miss" shall not be considered as an admission against interest or an admission of liability, and performance scored as a "met" will not be considered determinative of wholly satisfactory performance, in a proceeding unrelated to the WPP.

depends on the severity of the missed performance. Per unit metrics subject to performance bill credits have a specified dollar amount per transaction to be credited to each CLEC for all eligible missed transactions.

For metrics where parity with FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's retail service is the performance standard, the WPP uses statistical methodologies as the primary means to determine if "parity" exists between FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale and retail performance. The statistical methodology utilized is described in Appendix 1.

Metrics subject to performance bill credits that have a "parity" standard are scored as "met" or "miss" based on the statistical analysis and the magnitude of the Z-statistic for the month.

Metrics subject to performance bill credits that have a "benchmark" standard are scored as "met" or "miss" based on an evaluation of the measured performance's relationship to the metric standard.

#### 1. Assessing Performance

Metrics with Performance Bill Credits payable on a per unit basis have one of two types of performance standards: benchmark or parity. For metrics with "parity" standards, FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications will convert the values calculated by the statistical methods specified in Appendix 1 to equivalent standard normal Z-scores. These equivalent Z scores will be converted into a performance score for each measure as follows:

Statistical Score	Performance Score
Z <= -1.645	Miss
Z > -1.645	Met

For parity measures that meet the minimum sample size criteria set forth in Appendix 1, Fisher's Exact Test or the permutation test will be applied to obtain the statistical score, which will be converted into a performance score. For parity measures that do not meet the minimum sample size criteria, an "SS" for "small sample" will be reported.

Measures with benchmark standards will be given a performance score of "met" or "miss" depending on the actual performance results compared to the performance standard for that measure. For measures with benchmark standards that have a small sample size, a small sample size table contained in Appendix 2 will be applied to obtain the performance scores.

#### 2. Per Measure Bill Credit Calculations

For metrics with performance credits payable on a per measure basis (shown in Appendix 4 as performance credit methodology "M"), bill credits will be calculated according to Table 1 (below) which specifies the performance ranges applicable to a performance miss at the minor, moderate and major level. The amount to be allocated to CLECs for missed performance is based on the degree to which the benchmark performance standard is missed. Table 1 also specifies the total monthly amount (for all three states combined) of bill credits that will be issued by <a href="mailto:FairPointConsolidated Communications">FairPointConsolidated Communications</a> and posted on CLEC BANs. The allocation to individual CLECs is described in subsection (a) below.

Table 1. Per Measure Performance Bill Credits (Methodology "M")

Metric #	Metric Title	Performance Standard	Minor \$15,000	Moderate \$30,000	Major \$45,000
PO-2-02-6000	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	≥ 99.5%	≥ 99% and < 99.5%	≥ 98% and < 99%	< 98%
PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	≥ 95%	≥ 90% and < 95%	≥ 85% and < 90%	< 85%
PO-4-01-6671	-6671 % Change Management Notices Sent on Time ≥ 95% and < 95%		≥ 85% and < 90%	< 85%	
PO-4-03-6600	Change Management Notice - Delay ≥ 8 days	≤ 8 days	> 8 days and < 10 days	≥ 10 days and < 13 days	≥ 13 days
PO-6-01-6000	Software Validation	≤ 5%	> 5% and ≤ 10%	> 10% and ≤ 15%	>15%
PO-7-01-6000	% Software Problem Resolution Timeliness	≥ 95%	≥ 90% and < 95%	≥ 85% and < 90%	< 85%
PO-7-02-6000	Delay Hours - Software Resolution - Change - Transactions failed - no workaround	≤ 48 hours	> 48 hours and ≤ 72 hours	> 72 hours and ≤ 96 hours	> 96 hours
PO-7-03-6000	Delay Hours - Software Resolution - Change - Transactions failed with workaround	≤ 10 days	> 10 days and < 15 days	≥ 15 days and < 20 days	≥ 20 days
PO-7-04-6000	Delay Hours - Failed/Rejected Test Deck Transactions - Transactions failed no workaround	≤ 48 hours	> 48 hours and ≤ 72 hours	> 72 hours and ≤ 96 hours	> 96 hours
BI-9-01- 10003000	% Billing Completeness in 12 Billing Cycles	≥ 96%	≥ 92% and < 96%	≥ 88% and < 92%	< 88%

#### a. Allocation of performance bill credits for per measure metrics.

With the exception of BI-9-01, % Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles, per measure performance is calculated for all eligible CLECs in the aggregate across FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications.

Any bill credits due individual CLECs will be allocated based on the individual CLEC's portion of total orders provisioned for Resale, LNP and UNE products for the current month period as well as lines in service for Resale and UNE 2-Wire loops (analog, digital and xDSL). The total performance bill credit amount set forth in Table 1 will be issued and posted to CLEC BANs and will be allocated among CLECs that receive bill credits under the Plan.<sup>3</sup> Sixty percent (60%) of the credits due will be allocated using orders provisioned in the current report month.<sup>4</sup> Forty percent (40%) of the credits due will be allocated using lines in service as of the current report month.<sup>5</sup>

For example: If PO-2-02-6000, OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time, missed the performance standard of 99.5% with performance of 97.8%, the performance standard would be missed at the "Major" level, resulting in total bill credits of \$45,000. Of that amount, \$27,000 (60% of the \$45,000) would be allocated based upon order volume and \$18,000 (40% of the \$45,000) would be allocated based upon lines in service. Example 1, below, provided purely for illustrative purposes, shows a hypothetical allocation of credits for a population size of six CLECs across the three NNE states.

A CLEC need not receive bill credits in a particular month in order to qualify for per measure credits.

Provisioned orders are the sum of the denominators of PR-4-01-3211, PR-4-01-3213, PR-4-04-2000, PR-4-04-3113, PR-4-05-2000, PR-4-05-3113, PR-4-07-3540, PR-4-14-3343 and PR-9-01-3520.

Lines in service are the sum of the denominators of MR-2-01-3200, MR-2-02-2000, MR-2-02-3112 and MR-2-02-3343.

Example 1

	State	Provisioned Orders (60%)	% of Total	Allocation to Orders	Lines in Service (40%)	% of Total	Allocation to Lines in Service	Total Credit
CLEC A	ME	700	20%	\$5,400	-	0%	\$0	\$5,400
CLEC B	ME	350	10%	\$2,700	18,000	20%	\$3,600	\$6,300
CLEC C	ME	350	10%	\$2,700	18,000	20%	\$3,600	\$6,300
CLEC A	NH	350	10%	\$2,700	-	0%	\$0	\$2,700
CLEC D	NH	350	10%	\$2,700	13,500	15%	\$2,700	\$5,400
CLEC E	NH	700	20%	\$5,400	22,500	25%	\$4,500	\$9,900
CLEC E	VT	350	10%	\$2,700	4,500	5%	\$900	\$3,600
CLEC F	VT	350	10%	\$2,700	13,500	15%	\$2,700	\$5,400
Totals		3,500	100%	\$27,000	90,000	100%	\$18,000	\$45,000

BI-9-01, % Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles, is reported on a 3-state aggregate level and on a per state basis at a CLEC-specific level. If performance at the aggregate 3-state level is a met no bill credits will be calculated. If performance at the aggregate 3-state level is a miss, bill credits will be allocated to CLECs as to which the reported service results at a state level were below the 96% standard.

Example 2, provided for illustrative purposes below, demonstrates the allocation of credits for a population size of six CLECs (CLECs A – F) across the three NNE states. This example assumes that the 3-state aggregate result for the BI-9-01 metric is a miss at the moderate level (i.e., reported results are  $\geq$  88% and < 92%, which is below the performance standard of  $\geq$  96%), therefore, a \$30,000 bill credit would be due to CLECs whose reported service results at the state level were below the 96% standard. **Example 2** 

CLEC	State	≥ 96% Standard Met/Miss	Denominator for BI-9-01		_	enominator for Credit Allocation	% of Total Allocation	(	formance Credit location
CLEC A	ME	Miss	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000	20%	\$	6,000
CLEC B	ME	Miss	\$	500,000	\$	500,000	10%	\$	3,000
CLEC C	ME	Miss	\$	750,000	\$	750,000	15%	\$	4,500
CLEC A	NH	Miss	\$	750,000	\$	750,000	15%	\$	4,500
CLEC D	NH	Met	\$	1,000,000	\$	0	0%	\$	0
CLEC E	NH	Miss	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000	20%	\$	6,000
CLEC A	VT	Met	\$	500,000	\$	0	0%	\$	0
CLEC E	VT	Miss	\$	500,000	\$	500,000	10%	\$	3,000
CLEC F	VT	Miss	\$	500,000	\$	500,000	10%	\$	3,000
Total (all CLECs all States)	All		\$	6,500,000	\$	5,000,000	100%	\$	30,000

#### 3. Per Unit Bill Credit Calculations

Each metric shown in Appendix 4 with performance credits payable on a per unit basis has a methodology assigned in the column labeled "Performance Credit Methodology." These methodologies are defined as follows:

Table 2. Performance Credit Methodologies

Performance		
Credit Methodology	Type Measure	Eligible misses if standard is missed (rounded to the nearest whole number):
А	Benchmark – Average Response Time Metrics	Quantity of transactions with response time greater than 1.5 times the performance standard. Performance evaluated across all three NNE states. Individual Rrule does not apply.
В	Benchmark – Percentage where lower is better (LIB)	(Actual % minus Benchmark %) multiplied by volume in denominator. Individual Rule does not apply to PO-1-08.
С	Benchmark – Percentage where higher is better (HIB)	(Benchmark % minus Actual %) multiplied by volume in denominator.
D	Parity – Percentage where lower is better (LIB)	(CLEC Actual % minus Retail actual %) multiplied by volume in denominator.
E	Parity – Percentage where higher is better (HIB)	(Retail Actual % minus CLEC Actual %) multiplied by volume in denominator.
F	Parity – Average	Quantity of transactions with performance worse than retail average.
G	Benchmark – Total Delay Days Collocation	Cumulative delay days for all collocation arrangements with missed arrangements. Eligible Misses are equal to the numerator.
Н	Benchmark – Percentage where higher is better (HIB). (Performance based on statistically valid sample of orders.)	(Benchmark % minus Actual %) multiplied by volume of manually confirmed orders, from which the sample is derived.
<u>L</u>	Benchmark – Average	Benchmark – Average quantity of transactions with performance worse than standard,

For measures where performance is calculated as to individual CLECs, if FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's overall (CLEC-aggregate) performance score for a metric falls below the standard in any given month, bill credits will be calculated for each CLEC as to which performance is missed. Bill credits will be determined by multiplying the dollar value per transaction amount for each metric shown in Appendix 4 by the quantity of that CLEC's eligible missed transactions for the metric, as defined in the methodologies above.

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#### a. Aggregate Rule:

If performance to all CLECs in aggregate is calculated as a miss, CLECs receiving performance worse than the standard will receive bill credits for each eligible miss. For metrics with a parity standard, the retail performance calculated for that performance month is considered the standard. For benchmark metrics, performance is compared to the benchmark standard. Small sample size rules do not apply to performance to individual CLECs if the aggregate CLEC result is a miss.

#### b. Individual Rule:

If performance to all CLECs in aggregate is calculated as a met, CLECs receiving performance scored as a miss may still receive performance bill credits for eligible misses. For parity metrics, individual CLEC Z scores will be calculated. An individual CLEC Z score worse (more negative) thanless than or equal to -1.645 indicates a miss. For benchmark metrics, performance is compared to the benchmark standard. See Table 2 (Performance Credit Methodologies) for exceptions to application of Individual Rule. Additionally, Individual Rule does not apply to the Methodology M metrics listed in Table 1. Small sample size rules apply except for specified metrics where the small sample size rules are not applicable. See Appendix 4 for exceptions.

Parity metrics utilize the statistical methodologies in Appendix 1. Benchmark metrics compare calculated results to the benchmark, subject to the small sample size rules as described in Appendix 2.

If performance to an individual CLEC over a two-month consecutive period reflects a "miss" for any metric subject to the small sample size rules while the reported CLEC-aggregate results are a "met," a CLEC receiving such performance results may request FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications to perform a detailed review of the missed performance for the CLEC.

#### 4. Per Measure/Unit Bill Credit Escalations

FairPointConsolidated's performance for bill-credit eligible metrics at the aggregate level shall be subject to escalating bill credit amounts pursuant to Table 2 below for misses in three or more consecutive months (starting in month 3) or if performance is missed in three of six non-consecutive months. There are three escalation methods.

Escalation Method 1 applies to all PO, OR and NP metrics plus the MR-1 metrics. The escalator starts in month three at a rate of 2 times (200% of) the base rate. The dollar amounts increase for each consecutive month of missed performance by an additional multiple of 0.5 times (50% of) the metric base rate. The escalator

is capped in month nine at 5 times (500% of) the base rate such that for continuing missed performance in month 10 and beyond the escalator remains at 5 times (500% of) the base rate. The escalator for the PO-1 and MR-1 metrics does not apply until missed performance for three or more consecutive months is equal to or greater than 200% of the performance standard.

Escalation Method 2 applies to all PR, MR (except MR-1) and BI metrics. The escalator starts in month three at a rate of 2 times (200% of) the base rate. The dollar amounts increase for each consecutive month of missed performance by an additional multiple of 1 times (100% of) the metric base rate. The escalator is capped in month 6 at 5 times (500% of) the base rate such that for continuing missed performance in month 7 and beyond the escalator remains at 5 times (500% of) the base rate.

Table 2. Per measure/unit bill credit escalation schedule

Consecutive Months Performance Standard is Missed									
Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9+
Escalation Method 1	-	-	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0
Escalation Method 2	-	-	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

Escalation Method 3 applies to all metrics in all domains. All metrics are subject to a bill credit escalator of 2.5 times (250% of) the base metric rate when performance is missed in 3 of 6 non-consecutive months. Specifically, if the standard for a metric is missed for the month under evaluation and two other months in a period of five prior consecutive months, the metric will be subject to an escalator for the month under evaluation that is 2.5 times the base metric rate. The 3 of 6 month escalator for the PO-1 and MR-1 metrics does not apply until missed performance for three of six non-consecutive months is equal to or greater than 200% of the performance standard. The 3 of 6 month escalator is only invoked in months when the applicable consecutive months escalator (Escalation Method 1 or 2) does not apply.

### C. MONTHLY REPORTS

## 1. Performance Results and Bill Credits

In order to ensure there is timely information available regarding FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale services performance, FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications will report

performance by state on a monthly basis. FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will make monthly CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate reports available for each state, upon request, to each CLEC purchasing wholesale services from FairPointConsolidated in Maine, New Hampshire or Vermont.

The CLEC-aggregate report will provide a state summary of aggregate performance results and bill credit by metric. CLEC-specific reports will provide performance results and bill credit amounts, if any, by metric due each individual CLEC. See Sample Report at Appendix 6. CLEC-specific reports are proprietary to the CLEC. CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate monthly reports will be made available to CLECs in electronic format via FairPoint-NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale web portal within 28 days of the end of each calendar month. Additionally, FairPoint-NNEConsolidated Communications will file copies of the respective state-aggregate report with the respective state Public Utilities Commission or Public Service Board within 28 days of the end of each month.

#### 2. Performance Bill Credit Payments

Should FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's performance under this Plan trigger an obligation to issue bill credits to an eligible CLEC, FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications shall post such bill credits to that CLEC's designated billing account within 30 days of the published WPP report. Each CLEC may specify a local wholesale billing account number ("BAN"), or sequential list of local wholesale BANs, per state, to which such bill credits will be posted by FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications. If a CLEC has waived payment of bill credits pursuant to a commercial agreement or other legal agreement with FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications or any affiliated entity FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications shall pay an amount equal to that month's waived bill credits to a designated state fund. In Maine the fund is the Maine Telecommunications and Education Access Fund (MTEAF) established pursuant to 35-A M.R.S. §7104-B and Chapter 285 of the Commission's Rules. In New Hampshire the fund is the Telecommunications Planning and Development Fund established under N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann §12-A:45-a. In Vermont the fund is the Connectivity Initiative established in 30 V.S.A §7515.b.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> If the 28<sup>th</sup> day is a weekend or holiday, the monthly reports will be provided by the next business day.

Depending on a CLEC's scheduled bill cycle date, such bill credits may not be reflected on a CLEC's invoice within 30 calendar days.

If the monthly bill credit due a CLEC exceeds the monthly balance due FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications on the CLEC's designated BAN, the net balance will be carried as a credit on the CLEC's designated BAN and applied as a credit on the next month's invoice and thereafter on subsequent invoices until such time as all bill credits have been applied in full.

At such time as a CLEC discontinues all services with FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications, FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will issue a check in the amount of any outstanding credit less any amount owed to FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications for any service provided by FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications.

#### D. LATE OR INACCURATE REPORTS

The WPP includes the following provisions to address late or inaccurate WPP Reports. Late or inaccurate WPP penalties shall not be considered under Section F "Cap on Total Annual Bill Credits". For Maine and Vermont total penalties paid for both late and inaccurate reports are subject to a state cap of \$60,000 annually or \$5,000 per month.

#### 1. Late Performance Reports:

If the FairPointConsolidated performance data and associated WPP Reports are not posted to the FairPointConsolidated website on the due day, FairPointConsolidated shall issue bill credits in the amount of \$250 per day, per state, for each day the WPP Reports or raw data files are late. Such bill credits will be allocated among eligible CLECs pursuant to Section 1.B(2)(a) of this Plan.

#### 2. Inaccurate Reports:

FairPointConsolidated will have an ongoing responsibility to identify and correct any inaccuracies in its monthly WPP Reports (including, without limitation, bill credit calculation and posting). CLECs receiving monthly Reports shall likewise review FairPointConsolidated's monthly WPP Reports and identify possible inaccuracies utilizing the information provided by Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint and the CLEC's own records. CLECs shall notify Consolidated via the Wholesale Help Desk (WHD) of potential inaccurate or late reports.

If the 28th day is a weekend or holiday, the monthly reports will be provided by the next business day.

<sup>9</sup> In Verment-CLECs shall access their monthly reports and notify FairPointConsolidated Communications within 10 business days of the due date if its monthly reports are not available or accessible on the FairPointConsolidated Communications website.

FairPointConsolidated and CLECs each have the responsibility to notify one another of inaccuracies within 30 days of discovery. 

If Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint and CLECs agree the WPP Report(s) contain error(s), Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint will calculate the effect of such error(s) on an aggregate and CLEC-specific basis. If the effect of the error(s) is material, 

Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint will correct and reissue all affected WPP Reports and data, and post corrective credits as follows:

- (a) If the error was identified by an audit, the period of time covered by the audit and all subsequent period of time after the audit period that identified such error, <sup>12</sup> or
- (b) If the error was discovered by or reported to Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint, the period will encompass the monthly reports generated after the data month in which the error was discovered or reported and the prior 1211 months reports. if correction of the error(s) would increases or decreases, on average over the restated prior 12 month period, credits under the WPP by \$500–1.000 per month for an individual CLEC or \$2,5005.000 per month on an aggregate CLEC basis, Consolidated CommunicationFairPoint shall also correct and reissue the monthly reports for an additional prior 12 month period (i.e., reissue a total of 24 months reports.), or 24 months if correction of the error(s) would increase or decrease, on average, credits under the WPP by \$1,000 per month for an individual CLEC or \$5,000 on an aggregate CLEC basis.

Revised Reports correcting material error(s) will be filed within 60 days of confirmation of the error(s).

If <u>Consolidated Communications</u>FairPoint cannot revise a monthly report to correct a material error that would increase bill credits for one or more CLECs due to an issue within <u>Consolidated Communications</u>'FairPoint's control such as capturing and/or retaining the requisite data, <u>FairPointConsolidated</u> will pay a surrogate bill credit in the impacted month(s). The surrogate credit will be equal to the greater of: 1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> In Maine and Vermont, CLECs must report any alleged inaccuracies within 90 days of issuance of the affected monthly report.

A material error is one where the correction of that error, or a combination of errors, would increase or decrease credits under the WPP for the month (<a href="Modelnown-eta-at-base-escalation-level">Modelnown-eta-escalation-level</a>) by at least \$500-1.000 for an individual CLEC or \$2,5005.000 on an aggregate CLEC basis. Upon notification of an inaccuracy or potential inaccuracy by a GLEC, FairPoint will provide an estimate of the effect of that possible error on a CLEC-aggregate basis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> In Maine aAny bill credits determined to be due as a result of an audit or commission sanctioned review are retroactive for a maximum period of 12 months.

the monthly average bill credits paid in aggregate on that metric over the most recent six month period of accurate reporting less the amount of any bill credits previously issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s); or 2) a per metric credit of: PO, OR & MR-1 = \$500, PR, MR (other than MR-1), NP & BI = \$1,000, less any bill credits issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s). Surrogate bill credits shall be subject to the escalation provisions set forth in Section 1.B.4. Surrogate bill credits will be allocated among eligible CLECs based on the allocation of bill credits issued within the most recent six month period of accurate reporting less the amount of any bill credits previously issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s). If no bill credits exist in that six month period, the volume of transactions (denominator values) in the previous six month period will be used to allocate credits to individual CLECs less the amount of any bill credits previously issued in aggregate for that metric in the impacted month(s).

Non-material errors will be corrected on a prospective basis, beginning 30 days from confirmation of the error.

Consolidated Communications FairPoint shall post corrective and/or surrogate bill credits to all affected CLEC BANs within 30 days of reissuance of the previously erroneous WPP Report(s). In addition to the posting of corrective and/or surrogate credits, Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint shall also post bill credits equal to the greater of (i) interest on the corrective and/or surrogate credits at the interest rate FairPointConsolidated charges CLECs for late payments under its wholesale tariffs or (ii) an inaccuracy penalty of 15% of the corrective or surrogate credits. Consolidated Communications-FairPoint shall not be responsible for paying interest or an additional inaccuracy penalty if FairPointConsolidated identifies and corrects an inaccuracy within 30 days of issuance of the first report in which an inaccuracy appeared. To the extent the correction of an inaccuracy decreases Consolidated Communications'FairPoint's liability for bill credits previously posted to CLEC BANs, Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint may offset such over-issuance only through a corresponding reduction in the posting of future bill credits otherwise due the affected CLECs.

Consolidated Communications FairPoint and the CLEC(s) will consult with one another and attempt in good faith to resolve any issues regarding the accuracy or integrity of data collected, generated, and reported pursuant to the WPP. If Consolidated Communications FairPoint and the CLEC(s) cannot agree on whether a WPP Report is incomplete or erroneous, or if they cannot agree on whether an inaccuracy is material, either Consolidated Communications FairPoint or the CLEC(s) may file a petition asking the Commission or Board to resolve the dispute. If the Commission or Board determines that one or more WPP Report(s) were incomplete

or erroneous, said Report(s) shall be corrected and credits adjusted, as appropriate, in accordance with the provisions stated above.

With approval of the Commission or Board, or authorized Staff, a CLEC may initiate an independent audit or review conducted by a qualified independent third-party, at the CLEC's expense. Such audit or review will be limited to the data collection, computing, and reporting process issue(s) raised by the CLEC. FairPointConsolidated shall have the opportunity to review the independent third-party's proposed audit or review approach, fees and schedule, upon proposal of the audit or review to the Commission, Board or Staff. Any concerns between the parties regarding the proposed audit or review costs, approach and schedule are to be negotiated in good faith.

In the event the audit or review affirms the issue initially presented by the CLEC and denied by Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint, as materially affecting reported performance results, FairPointConsolidated shall reimburse the CLEC for the costs of the independent third-party audit or review. FairPointConsolidated agrees to inform all CLECs via Accessible Letter of any problem identified during an audit/review initiated by any CLEC. The CLEC-initiated audit or review is distinct from the Commission-or-Board-directed audit addressed separately in Section I of this Plan.

#### E. DATA RETENTION

FairPointConsolidated Communication shall retain the monthly WPP Reports and supporting documentation, including raw data files used to calculate monthly WPP performance results and generate the WPP Reports, for a period of 36 months. The data retained shall be sufficient to perform an audit of FairPointConsolidated Communications' monthly WPP Reports.

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In Maine and Vermont CLECS in aggregate may initiate only one audit per calendar year. In New Hampshire a CLEC may not request, pursuant to these provisions, more than one audit or review within a six month period, and may not request an audit or review of the same performance measurement more than once in a twelve calendar month period. These provisions do not modify a CLEC's audit rights under other provisions of this WPP agreement, or any applicable Commission/Board Order.

#### F. CAP ON ANNUAL BILL CREDITS

There will be an annual and quarterly cap on total bill credits issued to CLECs under the Plan, for each State. The cap will encompass those bill credits actually posted to CLEC BANS or paid into a designated state fund<sup>14</sup> for missed performance (including escalators).

. The cap amounts are as follows:

Maine \$4.75 million (\$1,187,500 per quarter\*)
 New Hampshire \$4.75 million (\$1,187,500 per quarter\*)
 Vermont \$2.50 million (\$625,000 per quarter\*)

#### G. EXCEPTIONS PROCESS

FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications or a CLEC may petition the Commission/Board to have the monthly performance results modified based on the exception conditions described below.

#### 1. FairPointConsolidated Exceptions

#### a. Clustering

The first ground for filing an Exception involves the potential for "clustering" of data, and the effect that such clustering has on the statistical models used in the WPP. Clustering occurs when individual items (failed orders, troubles, etc.) are clustered together due to a single event. In some instances, for parity measures, events included in the performance measures of provisioning and maintenance of telecommunication services are not independent. The primary example of such non-independence is a cable failure, in which case several troubles would be associated with the same event. Another example is a situation in which a CLEC has a small number of orders in a single location with a facility problem. The lack of independence is referred to here as "clustering" of data. Accordingly, Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint will have the right to file an exception to the performance scores in the WPP if the following events occur:

i. <u>Event-Driven Clustering – e.g.. Cable Failure</u>: For example, if a significant proportion of a
 CLEC's troubles are in a single cable failure, <u>Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint</u> will

<sup>\*</sup> Unused bill credits carry over to subsequent quarters in same calendar year

In Maine the fund is the Maine Telecommunications and Education Access Fund (MTEAF). In New Hampshire the fund is the Telecommunications Planning and Development Fund. In Vermont the fund is the Connectivity Initiative established in 30 V.S.A §7515.b.

provide data demonstrating that all troubles within that failure, including the ILEC troubles, were resolved in an equivalent manner. Consolidated Communications Fair Point also will provide the repair performance data with that cable failure performance excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and the ILEC and the remaining troubles will be compared according to normal statistical methodologies.

- ii. Location-Driven Clustering e.g., Facility Problems: For example, if a significant proportion of a CLEC's missed installation orders and resulting delay days were due to an individual location with a significant facility problem, FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will provide the data demonstrating that the orders were "clustered" in a single facility shortfall. FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will provide the provisioning performance with that data excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and the ILEC and the remaining troubles will be compared according to normal statistical methodologies. Additional location-driven clustering may be demonstrated by disaggregating performance into smaller geographic areas.
- iii. <u>Time-Driven Clustering e.g., Single Day Events</u>: For example, if a significant proportion of CLEC activity, provisioning, or maintenance occurs on a single day within a month, and that day represents an unusual amount of activity in a single day, <u>FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications</u> will provide the data demonstrating the activity is on that day. <u>FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications</u> will compare that single day's performance for the CLEC to the ILEC performance. <u>FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications</u> will provide data with that day excluded from overall performance to demonstrate "parity."

If a clustering event negatively influences FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's performance on any metric, FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will be permitted to petition for relief within twenty one (21) calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. The Exception petition, which will be filed with the Commission/Board and served on the appropriate CLEC or CLECs, will provide appropriate, detailed documentation of the events, and will demonstrate that clustering caused FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications to miss the metric standard. FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications's petition must include all data that demonstrates how/why the measure was missed. It should also include modified results information that excludes the data affected by the clustering. The specific CLEC(s) implicated in the exception

petition and other interested parties will be given an opportunity to respond to any FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications petition for an Exception. If the Commission/Board determines that the service results were influenced by clustering, the data will be excluded from the previously reported monthly results, and any associated bill credits will be adjusted accordingly. Consolidated CommunicationsFairPoint will revise and repost all affected monthly CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate reports within 45 days of the Commission/Board determination

### b. CLEC Behavior

The second ground for filing an Exception relates to individual CLEC behavior. If performance for any measure (parity or benchmark) is impacted by unusual CLEC behavior, FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications will bring such behavior to the attention of the CLEC and attempt to resolve the problem. Examples of CLEC behavior that may influence performance results include:

- i. poor order quality, such as missing codes, incorrect codes or misspelled directory listings;
- actions that cause excessive missed appointments, such as wrong addresses, wrong due dates
  or offered intervals shorter than the standard interval;
- iii. actions resulting in excessive multiple dispatch and repeat reports, such as incorrect dispatch information or inadequate testing by a CLEC;
- iv. inappropriate coding on orders, such as where extended due dates are desired and are not coded as such; and/or
- v. delays in rescheduling appointments when FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications has missed an appointment.

If a CLEC's action negatively influences FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's performance on any metric, FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will be permitted to petition for relief within twenty one (21) calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. The Exception petition, which will be filed with the Commission/Board and served on the CLEC, will provide appropriate, detailed documentation of the events, and will demonstrate that the CLEC behavior caused FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications to miss the metric standard. FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's petition must include all data that demonstrates how/why the measure was missed. It should also include modified results information that excludes the data affected by the CLEC behavior. The specific CLEC(s) implicated in the exception petition and

other interested parties will be given an opportunity to respond to any FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications petition for an Exception. If the Commission/Board determines that the service results were influenced by inappropriate CLEC behavior, the data will be excluded from the previously reported monthly results and any associated bill credits will be adjusted accordingly. FairPointConsolidated will revise and repost all affected monthly CLEC-specific and CLEC-aggregate reports within 45 days of the Commission/Board determination

### c. Situations Beyond FairPointConsolidated's Control

The third ground for filing an Exception relates to situations beyond FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications's control that negatively affect its ability to meet measures with benchmark standards or to report monthly performance results. The performance requirements dictated by benchmark standards establish the quality of service under normal operating conditions, and do not necessarily establish the level of performance to be achieved during periods of emergency, catastrophe, natural disaster, severe storms, work stoppage, or other Force Majeure events beyond FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications's control. FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications may petition the Commission/Board for a waiver of specific performance results for benchmark metrics if FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications's performance results do not meet the specific standard or petition for a waiver from monthly performance reporting requirements if a Force Majeure event impedes FairPointConsolidated's ability to report performance results.

Any Exception petition pursuant to this provision shall clearly and convincingly demonstrate the extraordinary nature of the circumstances involved, the impact the circumstances had on FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale service quality, why FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's normal, reasonable preparations for abnormal situations may have proved inadequate, and the specific dates FairPointConsolidated's service performance was adversely affected by the event. The petition shall also include an analysis for informational purposes of the extent to which the parity metrics (retail and wholesale) also were affected by the subject event.

FairPointConsolidated's petition must be filed within 21 calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. CLECs and other interested parties may file an initial reply to the petition within 21 calendar days of the filing. The Commission/Board shall endeavor to issue its ruling within 90 calendar days of the petition filing date.

The Commission/Board shall determine which, if any, of the daily and monthly results should be adjusted in light of the extraordinary event cited, and will have full discretion to consider all available evidence submitted. Insufficient filings may be dismissed for failure to make a *prima facie* showing that relief is justified.

### 2. CLEC Exceptions:

Each month each CLEC will have the right to challenge the allowable misses that FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications may exercise pursuant to the small sample size table for performance measures with benchmark standards. If a CLEC exercises this right, it must file a petition with the Commission/Board demonstrating that the exclusion will have a significant impact on the operations of the CLEC's business and that FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications should not be allowed to exclude the event. The CLEC shall make its filing within twenty one (21) calendar days from the date the monthly data is reported. FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications will have a right to respond to any such challenge by the CLEC by filing a response within 21 days of the CLEC filing. If a CLEC's Exception Petition is granted, the appropriate bill credits will be posted on the CLEC's designated BAN within 30 days of such ruling. <sup>15</sup>

# H. FAIRPOINTCONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS AND CLEC BIENNIAL REVIEW

At least sixty (60) days prior to the second anniversary of the Wholesale Performance Plan (and every biennial anniversary thereafter), FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications shall provide notice to all eligible CLECs (via an accessible letter) and the Commissions/Board of proposed modifications to the Plan. At least thirty (30) days prior to the second anniversary of the Plan (and every biennial anniversary thereafter) CLECs may propose modifications to the Plan. If modifications are proposed, FairPointConsolidated Communications, CLECs and the Commissions/Board—will establish a procedural schedule for the review of the proposed modifications. During this review, the Commissions/Board may examine any aspect of the WPP including modifications proposed by FairPointConsolidated Communications or CLECs. Any modifications to the WPP will be implemented as soon as is reasonably practical after Commission/Board approval of the modifications.

FairPointConsolidated Communications may propose or make administrative changes to the Plan outside of the biennial review. FairPointConsolidated Communications will inform eligible CLECs via an

Depending on a CLEC's scheduled bill cycle date, actual bill credits may not be reflected on a CLEC's invoice within 30 calendar days.

Accessible Letter prior to making any administrative changes to the Plan. In the event a CLEC objects to an administrative change, or a CLEC proposes an administrative change that is rejected by FairPointConsolidated Communications, the CLEC may petition the Commission/Board to review the proposed change.

### I. COMMISSION OR BOARD AUDITS

The Wholesale Performance Plan shall be subject to an independent audit at the direction of the Commission or Board no more frequently than once every two years to determine FairPointConsolidated Communications's compliance with the terms of the WPP, including the measurement, reporting, and bill crediting requirements. Any modifications or corrections resulting from such an audit will be applied across the three state territories, as applicable. The results of any individual Commission or Board directed audit will be shared with the CLECs and the other Commission(s) or Board. The costs of employing an independent auditor to conduct any such audit shall be borne by FairPointConsolidated Communications.

# J. TERM OF WHOLESALE PERFORMANCE PLAN

The WPP shall continue in effect until such time as a final Order of each Commission and Board determines otherwise.

# K. CHANGE OF LAW

If any legislative, regulatory, judicial or other governmental decision, order, determination or action substantively affects any material provision of this WPP, FairPointConsolidated Communications and the parties to the respective Commission and Board dockets will promptly convene negotiations in good faith concerning revisions to the WPP that are required to conform the Plan to applicable law.

Upon agreement, such revisions will be submitted jointly by the parties participating in the negotiations to the Commissions and Beard-for approval. Should the parties fail to reach agreement on revisions to the WPP within 90 days, the matter may be brought to the Commission(s) and Beard. Upon Commission or Beard approval or resolution of such revisions, the revisions to the Maine or New Hampshire or Vermont WPP performance metrics and related bill credits will be retroactive to the effective date of the change in law, unless otherwise expressly ordered by the Commission or Beard when the revisions to the WPP are approved.

# L. Sunset of Certain Metrics

Effective August 2, 2022 the following metrics shall no longer be measured under the Wholesale Performance Plan:

BI 3-4-1000 % CLEC Billing Claims Acknowledged within 2 Business Days of Receipt

BI 3-5-1000 % CLEC Billing Claims Resolved within 28 Calendar Days After Acknowledged

BI 3-8-1000 % CLEC Billing Claim Credits Appearing on the Bill within 45 Calendar Days

MR 3-1-2010 % Missed Repair Loop

MR 3-1-3112 % Missed Repair Appointment - Loop
MR 3-2-3112 % Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office

MR 4-2-2010 Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble

MR 4-7-2010 % Out of Service > 12 Hours

MR 5-1-2000 % Repeat Reports within 30 days

MR 5-1-3343 % Repeat Reports within 30 Days

OR 11-1-2000 % On Time Resale Provider Notifications

OR-4-17-1000 % Billing Completion Notifiers Sent on Time

OR-5-3-3112 - % Flow Through Achieved

OR-5-3-3121 - % Flow Through Achieved Directory Listings and LNP

OR 6-3-2000, 3332 - % Resent LSRC

OR 6-4-1040 % Accuracy – Directory Listing

PR 4-7-3540 % On Time Performance – LNP Only

PR 4-16-1040 -- % Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time

Within 30 days of such date, Consolidated Communications shall re-file the Plan reflecting the removal of these metrics.



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SECTION 2: METRIC GUIDELINES

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# **GENERAL EXCLUSIONS**

# FairPointConsolidated Communications/CLEC Test Orders/Test IDs

Test Orders/IDs are excluded from all metrics.

# FairPointConsolidated Communications Affiliate Reporting

FairPointConsolidated Communications affiliate reporting is excluded from CLEC aggregate data for all metrics.

# Internally generated LSRs and Service Orders

Internally generated LSRs are excluded from the Ordering metrics. Internally generated Service Orders are excluded from the Provisioning metrics.

# FairPointConsolidated Communications Administrative Orders

# FairPointConsolidated Communications Official Services

FairPointConsolidated Communications official (administrative) lines used by FairPointConsolidated Communications employees or contractors to conduct official company business are excluded from all metrics.

# **Wholesale Transaction Measures**

Wholesale Measurements exclude transactions from carriers that are not eligible CLECs (e.g., wireless carriers, independent telephone companies, internet access providers, or any provider that has not established a CLEC profile).

# **GENERAL NOTES**

# For OR-1-12, OR-2-12, and NP-2

Refer to industry letters for further details related to Trunk and Collocation forecasting. (See URL address listed on the URL Reference page below.)

# **CLEC Performance Reports and Raw Data**

To request receipt of monthly WPP Performance Reports or CLEC-specific raw data files CLECs should contact the FairPointConsolidated Communications Wholesale Help Desk at the URL address listed on the URL Reference page below. Please provide the following information with the request:

- The state(s) for which receipt of reports or data is requested
- The CLEC IDs (e.g. ACNA/AECN/RSIDs) in those states

Specifications for the CLEC-specific raw data files may be found on the URL Reference page below.

### **Eastern Time**

For purposes of the WPP, all references are to Eastern Time (i.e., Eastern Standard Time (EST) or Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)).

# **URL REFERENCES**

FairPointConsolidated Communications references URLs, as sources of information, throughout the WPP Guidelines. Wherever a URL is referenced, FairPointConsolidated Communications utilizes the information published on the URL. The table below lists the URL referenced and a general description of the information found on the URL and associated metrics.

URL	General description of URL Information	Associated Metrics	
http://www.fairpointconsolidated.com/wholesale/resources/	Lists Consolidated's	PO-2	l
ai letters/index.jsp	FairPoint Accessible		
	& Industry Letters.		
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http://www.fairpointconsolidated.com/wholesale/resources/	Lists the wholesale	PO-3	-
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Holiday Schedule for any given year is published via an Accessible Letter in fourth quarter of the prior year.  http://www.fairpeintconsolidated.com/wholesale/resources/	Lists the current year Holidays that FairPoint Consolidated	PO-1, PO-2, PO-3- 02, PO-8, OR-1, OR- 2, BI-1, BI-3	
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CLEC-specific raw	
data files	

# PRODUCT CODE INFORMATION

The table below defines the product codes listed on the monthly reports. NOTE: Products as reported in a specific metric are subject to metric definitions and exclusions.

Product Code	Product Title	Description	
1000	Resale & UNE	Includes Resale (see product code 2000) plus UNE (see product code 3000).	
1001	Resale & UNE 2-Wire Loops /LNP	Includes Resale (see product code 2000), UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop, UNE 2- Wire xDSL Loop and LNP (see product code 3332).	
1021	Operator Services	Operator Service Centers handle call completion and Directory listing services.	
1040	Directory Listings	LSRs with requests to add, change or delete Directory listings.	
2000	Resale	Resale POTS, intrastate Special Services, and BRI-ISDN services.	
2010	Resale Business	Subset of Resale: Resale Business includes POTS services tariffed for Business customers, intrastate Special Services and ISDN services. POTS includes Centrex and PBX trunks.	
2120	Resale POTS Residence	Subset of Resale: Residence includes services sold to residential customers via state tariff. POTS service includes voice grade 2-Wire Analog dial tone lines.	
3000	UNE	Unbundled Network Elements. The following products are included: UNE Loops 2-Wire Analog, 2-Wire Digital, 2-Wire xDSL, UNE Specials, LNP and Standalone Directory Listings.	
3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Unbundled 2-Wire Analog Voice Grade Loop.	
3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	See 3112. (Provisioning only, Excludes Loops provisioned by Hot Cut process).	
3121	Directory Listings and LNP	Stand-alone directory listings plus UNE LNP.	
3200	UNE Specials	UNE Specials are network elements that require engineering design intervention. These network elements include UNE DS1 and UNE DS3.	
3211	UNE DS1	Subset of UNE Specials. Includes Loops, EELs and IOF conditioned for 1.544 MBPS.	
3213	UNE DS3	Subset of UNE Specials. Includes Loops, EELs and IOF conditioned for 44.736 MBPS.	
3331	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop/LNP	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop plus LNP. Combination Product codes 3112 and 3540.	

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Product Code	Product Title	Description
		and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loop plus LNP, Combination Product codes 3112, and 3343 and 3540.
3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Includes UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops.
3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	UNE 2-Wire Loop provisioned by a Hot Cut. A subset of 3112.
3540	UNE LNP	Local Number Portability.
5000	CLEC Trunks	One-way or two-way Interconnection Trunks ordered by CLECs carrying traffic between FairPointConsolidated Communications and CLEC.
5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	Subset of product code 5000, limited to orders less than or equal to192 Forecasted Trunks.
5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted and Projects)	Subset of product code 5000, limited to orders greater than 192 Forecasted Trunks, Unforecasted Trunks, and Trunk Projects.
5100	Final Trunk Group (FTG)	Dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups (FTGs) carrying traffic from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC.
6000	VFO	Virtual Front Office. OSS front-end interface accessed by CLECs for pre-order, ordering and maintenance transactions via XML and WEB GUI.
6040	XML	XML ordering interface.
6050	WEB GUI	Graphical User Interface used for pre-order, ordering and maintenance transactions.
6100	Manual Loop Qual Requests	Email requests to provide manual loop qualification information.
6500	OSS Interface Outage Notifications	Email or other electronic notices of OSS Interface outages.
6600	Change Notices - all types	Change Management Notifications and Confirmations in conformance with Change Management for Type 1 (Emergency Maintenance) and Type 2 (Regulatory Order), Type 3 (Industry Standard), Type 4 (FairPointConsolidated Communications originated) and Type 5 (CLEC originated) Product codes 6600 and 6671 combined.
6660	Change Notices - types 3, 4 and 5	Subset of Product code 6600 for Types 3, 4 and 5 notices.
6671	Change Notices - types 1 and 2	Subset of Product code 6600 for Types 1 and 2 notices.
6701	Collocation - New	Requests for new physical and/or virtual collocation arrangements.
6702	Collocation - Augment	Requests to augment existing physical and/or virtual arrangements where FairPointConsolidated Communications is required to perform work to add

Product Code	Product Title	Description
		capacity for space, cable termination or DC power.

# PRE-ORDERING PERFORMANCE

(PO)

# Function

PO-1	Response Time Pre-Ordering Transactions
PO-2	OSS Interface Availability
PO-3	Contact Center Speed of Answer
PO-4	Timeliness of Change Management Notices
PO-5	Percent On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage
PO-6	Software Validation
PO-7	Software Problem Resolution Timeliness
PO-8	Manual Loop Qualification

# PO-1 Response Time Pre-Ordering Transactions

### Definition:

The PO-1 metrics measure the response times of pre-ordering transactions processed through the Virtual Front Office (VFO) to and from FairPointConsolidated Communications's downstream operational systems.

# Response Time:

Response time is measured from receipt of the request at FairPointConsolidated Communications's VFO to the time that the response is sent to the CLEC.

**Average Response Time**: Average Response Time is the sum of the response times divided by the number of pre-ordering transactions in the report period.

**Rejected Query:** A rejected query is a query that cannot be processed successfully due to incomplete or invalid information submitted by the sender, which results in an error message back to the sender.

**Time-out:** % Timeouts are measured in sub-metric PO-1-08. A query is considered to be a time-out when the requested information (or an error message) is not provided within 60 seconds.

Parsed CSR: The Parsed CSR transaction returns fielded Customer Service Record data.

# Exclusions:

- Queries that time out (except for PO-1-08),
- Transactions occurring between 9:00 PM and 8:00 AM Monday through Friday and transactions occurring on Saturday, Sunday, and FairPeintConsolidated Communications observed holidays,
- For PO-1-01, parsed CSR transactions
- For PO-1-08, subsequent attempts on a single transaction that timed out.

# Report Dimensions:

Company:

Geography:

- CLEC Aggregate
- CLEC Specific

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# Sub-Metrics:

PO-1-01 Average Response Time – CSR (Customer Service Record)			
Metric Type	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response times for CSR transactions.		
Denominator	Number of CSR transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-1-01-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible
PO-1-01-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	Eligible

PO-1-03 Average Response Time – Address Validation			
Metric Type	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response times for Address Validation transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Address Validation transactions		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-1-03-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible
PO-1-03-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 7.5 Seconds	Eligible

PO-1-05	Average Response Time – Telephone Number Availability & Reservation
Metric Type	Average (Numerator/Denominator)

Numerator	Sum of all response times for Telephone Number Availability/Reservations transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Telephone Number Availability/Reservations transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-1-05-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic
PO-1-05-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 7.5 seconds	Diagnostic

PO-1-06	Average Respons	e Time – Mechanized Loop Qualification		
Metric Type	Average (Numera	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response times for Mechanized Loop Qualifications transactions.			
Denominator	Number of Mechanized Loop Qualifications transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-06-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible	
PO-1-06-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	Eligible	

PO-1-07	Average Response	Time – Rejected Query		
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for Rejected Query transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Rejected	Query transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-07-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	
PO-1-07-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 7.5 seconds	Diagnostic	

PO-1-08	% Timeouts			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	r/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of transact	Number of transactions that timeout.		
Denominator	Total number of train	nsactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-08-6040	XML	≤ 0.33%	Eligible (Note 1)	
PO-1-08-6050	WEB GUI	≤ 0.33%	Eligible (Note 1)	

PO-1-09	Average Response	Time - Parsed CSR		
Metric Type	Average (Numerato	Average (Numerator/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all response	Sum of all response times for Parsed CSR transactions.		
Denominator	Number of Parsed CSR transactions.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-1-09-6040	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic	

Note 1: PO-1-08 sub-metrics (% Timeouts) will be eligible for performance bill credits beginning one year after implementation of the WPP.

### PO-2 OSS Interface Availability

### Definition:

The PO-2 metric measures the Virtual Front Office (VFO) Interface Availability. The VFO handles XML and WEBGUI transactions. The PO-2 sub-metrics are a measurement of the percent of time the VFO Interface is available during scheduled Prime Time hours versus the amount of time the VFO Interface is scheduled to be available during prime time hours.

Scheduled VFO Prime Time Availability is as follows:

 Prime Time: Between 6:00:00 AM and 12:00 AM Monday through Saturday, excluding FairPointConsolidated Communications observed Holidays.

The availability of a downstream system affects FairPointConsolidated Communications and CLECs equally and is not included in the PO-2 sub-metric.

CLECs report VFO outages to the Wholesale Service Center (WSC) or Wholesale Help Desk (WHD) during normal business hours or to the Customer Service Maintenance Center (CSMC) outside normal business hours. Each CLEC-reported trouble is logged into a tracking system. FairPointConsolidated Communications reviews data from the tracking system each week to determine which troubles were VFO outages, and should be included in the PO-2 calculations. CLEC reported outages are supplemented with outages captured by Synchronoss Network Operations Center (NOC) or other similar FairPointConsolidated Communications affirmative monitoring to calculate the final metric results.

Synchronoss NOC is used as an alarm for system availability and supplements CLEC reported outages for VFO. If no CLEC reported an outage, but Synchronoss NOC detected an outage, the outage is included as if the entire CLEC population experienced the outage.

The Synchronoss NOC data is compared to CLEC reported outages, and are matched according to the outages reported time-frame. If the Synchronoss NOC time-frame matches the CLEC reported outage time-frame (from the WSC/WHD), the outage is included (once) in the metric based on the reported time-frame.

If the comparison of the Synchronoss NOC data with the CLEC reported outages indicates that a time-frame overlaps, the earliest start-time of the outage and the latest end-time of the outage are used to calculate the metric result

Trouble Logs: FairPointConsolidated Communications will make FairPointConsolidated Communications's trouble logs (which contain CLEC reports that the interface is not available) available to the CLECs for inspection.

### **Exclusions:**

- CLEC reported troubles where no trouble is found in FairPointConsolidated Communications's VFO,
- Troubles reported by a CLEC that were not reported to FairPointConsolidated Communications's WSC, WHD or CSMC,
- Scheduled VFO downtime for major system releases where CLECs were provided with advanced notification of the downtime in compliance with <u>FairPointConsolidated Communications</u> Change Management Guidelines.

# Report Dimensions:

Company:	Geograph
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	- Fairl

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### **Sub Metrics:**

PO-2-02	OSS Interface Availability – Prime-Time
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)
Numerator	Total number of scheduled prime-time minutes in the month for VFO minus the total number of unscheduled outage minutes during prime-time in the month for VFO.
Denominator	Total number of scheduled prime-time minutes in the month for VFO.

Metric #		Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
	PO-2-02-6000	VFO	≥ 99.5%	Eligible	

# PO-3 Contact Center Speed of Answer

### Definition:

The PO-3 sub-metrics measure Contact Center Speed of Answer. Contact Center Speed of Answer measures the average answer times of calls received in the Centers that support CLECs for Ordering and Maintenance. Contact with CLECs is designed to take place via direct access systems. The Contact Centers are designed to handle fall-out and not large call volumes.

Speed of Answer is measured for Ordering and Repair queues. This measure is reported out of the Automated Call Distributor (ACD). The Speed of Answer measure includes calls that go to the main number in the center, either directly or from a CLEC opting to transfer the call to the main number, during the center's hours of operation, (Refer to URL table in front of this section.)

Speed of Answer is measured in seconds from the time a call enters the FairPointConsolidated Communications ACD until a representative answers the call.

For calls to the WSC, CLECs have the choice of calling the order processing 800 number, in which case the call is directed to the next available representative through the ACD, or CLECs can call their dedicated representatives on the representative's direct line. If the representative is not available, the CLEC can leave a voice mail or press 0 and be transferred to a pool of representatives. FairPointConsolidated Communications measures speed of answer for calls to the 800 number and for calls where the CLEC presses 0 to speak to the next available representative. The Speed of Answer measurements begin as follows: For calls to the 800 number, the measurement begins when the call enters FairPointConsolidated Communications's ACD. For calls to a dedicated representative, the measurement begins when the call enters FairPointConsolidated Communications's ACD (after the CLEC presses 0). In each case, the measurement ends when a representative answers the call.

### **Exclusions:**

- Calls directed to and answered by dedicated representatives,
- For PO-3-02, FairPointConsolidated Communications observed holidays.

# **Report Dimensions**

Company:
• CLEC Aggregate

Geography:

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Products • Ordering Services (Wholesale Service Center)
Sub-Metrics:

Repair Services (Repair Center)

PO-3-02	% Answered within	30 Seconds – Ordering		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of calls ans	Number of calls answered within 30 seconds after the call was received by the ACD.		
Denominator	Total calls answered plus 15% of abandoned calls plus 10% of busy calls.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-3-02- 10003000	Resale & UNE	≥ 80%	Diagnostic	

PO-3-04	% Answered within	30 Seconds – Repair		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of calls ans	Number of calls answered within 30 seconds after the call was received by the ACD.		
Denominator	Total calls answered	Total calls answered plus 15% of abandoned calls plus 10% of busy calls.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-3-04- 10003000	Resale & UNE	≥ 80%	Diagnostic	

# PO-4 Timeliness of Change Management Notices

# Definition:

The PO-4 sub-metrics measure the timeliness of Change Management Notices (Change Notifications and Change Confirmations) sent to notify CLECs of scheduled systems software changes that potentially may affect a CLEC's systems or procedures. The PO-4-01 sub-metric measures the percent of Change Management Notices distributed in accordance with prescribed timeliness standards. Sub-metrics PO-4-02 and PO-4-03 measure the cumulative delay days for Change Management notices distributed after the prescribed standard interval. Change Management notices are notices sent to the CLECs to notify CLECs of scheduled interface software-affecting changes with a "Type" designation (Type 1, 2, 3, 4, 5). Change Management Notices are classified as follows: Type 1 – Emergency Maintenance; Type 2 – Regulatory; Type 3 – Industry Guidelines; Type 4 – FairPeintConsolidated Communications Originated; and Type 5 – CLEC Originated.

# **Exclusions:**

None.

Timeliness	Standards:

Timeliness Standards	s:	
Change type	Change Notification: Interval between notification and implementation	Change Confirmation: Final Documentation Availability before implementation
Type 1 – Emergency Maintenance	Notification before implementation.	Not Applicable.
Type 2 – Regulatory	Time periods established in Regulatory Order. If no time periods set, default to same time periods as Types 3 - 5.	Time periods established in Regulatory Order. If no time periods set, default to same time periods as Types 3 - 5.
Types 3 - 5	≥ 73 calendar days for business rules, ≥ 66 calendar days for technical specifications or FairPointConsolidated Communications/CLEC agreed upon timeframes.	≥ 45 calendar days or FairPointConsolidated Communications/CLEC agreed upon timeframes.

# Report Dimensions

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	•	CLEC Aggregate

Geography:

FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications

# Sub-Metrics:

Company

PO-4-01	PO-4-01 % Change Management Notices Sent on Time			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 10)	0)		
Numerator	Change Management Notices sent with	Change Management Notices sent within required time frames.		
Denominator	Total number of Change Management Notices sent.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-4-01-6660	Change Notices (types 3, 4 and 5)	≥ 95%	Eligible	
PO-4-01-6671	Change Notices (types 1 and 2)	≥ 95%	Eligible	

PO-4-02	Change Management Notices – Delay 1 to 7 Days		
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Cumulative delay days for all notices sent 1 to 7 days late.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-4-02-6600	Change Notices all types	No Standard	Diagnostic

PO-4-03 Change Management Notices – Delay ≥ 8 Days			
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Cumulative delay days for all notices sent ≥ 8 days late.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-4-03-6600	Change Notices all types	0 (zero) Notices ≥ 8 Days	Eligible

Function:
PO-5 Percent On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage
Definition:
The PO-5 metric measures the amount of time that elapses between FairPointConsolidated Communications
identification of an extraction that Vistoria Front Office (VFO) later for a set February literature of the contraction of the

identification of an outage in the Virtual Front Office (VFO) Interface and FairPointConsolidated Communications notification to CLECs that an outage exists. Notification is sent via e-mail when a VFO system outage occurs that prevents the CLECs from performing transactions for Pre-Ordering, Ordering, or Maintenance and the outage affects more than one CLEC.

# **Exclusions:**

- Troubles reported by a CLEC that were not reported to WSC/WHD, Network Outages (different than interface outages).

# Report Dimensions

Company:

• CLEC Aggregate

Geography:

FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications

# Sub-Metric:

PO-5-01	% On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 1	100)		
Numerator	Number of outage notifications sent where the date and time of outage notification to CLECs minus date and time the OSS interface outage was identified by FairPointConsolidated Communications is less than or equal to 20 minutes.			
Denominator	Total number of OSS interface outages			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performanc Credit Statu			
PO-5-01-6500	OSS Interface Outage Notifications	≥ 95% within 20 Minutes of Outage	Diagnostic	

# Function: PO-6 Software Validation Definition:

The PO-6 metric measures software validation for major releases affecting FairPointConsolidated Communications's CLEC OSS interface where FairPointConsolidated Communications offers a test deck in the CLEC Test Environment (CTE). FairPointConsolidated Communications tests the software release functionality, by executing a test deck of transactions, to validate that the functionality in a software release works as designed.

FairPointConsolidated Communications will execute the test deck in the test environment at the start of the User Acceptance Testing (UAT) and at the completion of UAT. Within one (1) business day, following a non-emergency software release to production as communicated through Change Management, FairPointConsolidated Communications will begin to execute the test deck in production. Upon completion of the test, FairPointConsolidated Communications will report the number of test deck transactions that were rejected or otherwise failed during execution of the test deck in production.

A transaction is considered failed if the request cannot be submitted or processed, or results in incorrect or improperly formatted data.

This software validation metric is reported as a percentage calculated as the number of failed test deck transactions in production divided by the total number of all transactions in the test deck in production.

For those months that FairPointConsolidated Communications does not execute the test deck, the WPP report is populated with the notation NA.

# Exclusions: Transactions that fail due to CLEC error. Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate Geography: FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications

# Sub-Metric:

PO-6-01	Software Validation			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Sum of failed test de	Sum of failed test deck transactions in production.		
Denominator	Sum of all test desk transactions in production.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-6-01-6000	VFO	≤ 5% Failed Transactions	Eligible	

### PO-7 Software Problem Resolution Timeliness

### Definition:

The PO-7 metric measures Software Problem Resolution Timeliness. Following each major software release affecting <a href="FairPointConsolidated Communications">FairPointConsolidated Communications</a> tracks the number of rejected Pre-Order and Order transactions reported to the Wholesale Service Center (WSC) or Wholesale Help Desk (WHD), those rejected transactions resulting from the test deck execution, and the timeframe to resolve the problem. For the purposes of this metric, rejected transactions caused by <a href="FairPointConsolidated Communications">FairPointConsolidated Communications</a> code or documentation errors or omissions that result in Type 1 changes are production referrals.

Problem Resolution Timeliness is measured from the time the trouble was reported to the WSC or WHD.

The PO-7-01 sub-metric is reported as a percentage calculated as the number of production referrals resolved within target response intervals (48 hours or 10 business days) divided by the total number of production referrals, during the 30 calendar days following a major CLEC-affecting LSOG software release.

For those months that FairPointConsolidated Communications installs software releases, the PO-7-04 submetric is populated on the WPP report with Test Deck Transaction data in accordance with the sub-metric definition.

For sub-metrics PO-7-01, PO-7-02, and PO-7-03, the WPP report is populated with production referral data in the month *following* the software release.

Failed Pre-order and Order transactions reported to the WSC or WHD after 5:00 PM on Friday and before 8:00 AM on Monday or on a FairPointConsolidated Communications observed holiday are considered received at 8:00 AM the next business day.

**Note:** The data value populated on the WPP report for PO-7-02, 7-03 and 7-04 represents the number of hours (or days) beyond the standard. For example, a 50 hour resolution for metric PO-7-02 and 7-04 would have a two (2) hour delay populated in the performance column to indicate the performance was two hours greater than the 48 hour standard.

# **Exclusions:**

None.

# Report Dimensions:

Company:
• CLEC Aggregate

Geography:

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### **Sub-Metrics:**

PO-7-01	PO-7-01 % Production Software Referrals Resolved On Time		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of production referrals resolved within timeliness standard.		
Denominator	Total number production referrals.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-7-01-6000	VFO	≥ 95% within 48 Hours/10 Business Days	Eligible

PO-7-02	Delay Hours – Production Software Resolution - Change - Transactions Failed - No		
	Workaround		
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of cumulative delay hours (greater than the 48-hour standard) for identified production software resolution changes associated with transaction rejects with no workaround.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status

PO-7-02-6000 VF	0	0 (zero) production resolution changes > 48 Hours   Eligible	

PO-7-03	Delay Days – Production Software Resolution – Change – Transactions Failed - With Workaround			
Metric Type	Data Value			
Data Value		Number of cumulative delay days (greater than the 10-day standard) for identified production software resolution changes associated with transaction rejects with a workaround.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PO-7-03-6000	VFO	0 (zero) production resolution changes > 10 Business Days	Eligible	

PO-7-04	Delay Hours – Failed/Rejected Test Deck Transactions – Transactions Failed - No		
	Workaround		
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value		ve delay hours (greater than the 48-hour standard) for s with transaction rejects with no workaround for Test De	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-7-04-6000	VFO	0 (zero) failed/rejected test deck transactions > 48 Hours	Eligible

# Function: PO-8 Manual Loop Qualification Definition:

The PO-8 Manual Loop Qualification metric measures the response time for the provision of Loop Qualification information required to provision 2-Wire Digital or 2-Wire-xDSL loops, when such information is requested through an email request to the applicable FairPointConsolidated Communications email address and the requested EUL (End User Location) is present in the Master Street Address Guide (MSAG)/GE Small World (GESW).

Loop qualification requests received after 5:00 PM on business days or on weekends or holidays are considered received at 8:00 AM the next business day.

# **Exclusions:**

- Weekends and FairPointConsolidated Communications observed holidays are excluded from the elapsed time,
- Requests where the requisite loop information for the service address is available to the CLEC in the loopqualification application,
- Digital Design Loops that require loop conditioning (HXMU code),
- Time required to build an address in MSAG/GESW and notify CLEC that that the requested EUL has been
  added to MSAG/GESW.

**Note:** Weekend hours are between 12:00 AM Saturday and 12:00 AM Monday. Holiday Hours are between 12:00 AM of the holiday and 12:00 AM of the first business day following the holiday.

Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	State Specific
CLEC Specific	
Sub-Metric:	

PO-8-01	% On Time – Manual Loop Qualification	on	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 10	0)	
Numerator	Sum of manual loop qualification transa manual loop qualification to the distribu equal to 48 hours.		
Denominator	Number of manual loop qualification tra	insactions.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PO-8-01-6100	Manual Loop Qual Request	≥ 95% within 48 Hours	Eligible

# ORDERING PERFORMANCE

(OR)

	Function
OR-1	Order Confirmation Timeliness
OR-2	Reject Timeliness
OR-4	Timeliness of Completion Notification
OR-5	Percent Flow-Through LSRC
OR-6	Order Accuracy
OR-8	Acknowledgement Timeliness
OR-9	Order Acknowledgement Completeness
OR-11	Timeliness of Provider Notification Report

### **OR-1 Order Confirmation Timeliness**

### Definition:

The OR-1 metrics measure the timeliness of Order Confirmations. Depending on the specific product ordered CLECS will submit either a Local Service Request (LSR) or Access Service Request (ASR). Resale and UNE orders submitted via a LSR receive an LSR confirmation (LSRC). Orders submitted via an ASR receive an ASR Confirmation (ASRC).

### **Resale and UNE:**

Order Confirmation Response Time: The amount of elapsed time (in hours and minutes) between receipt of a valid order request submitted via FairPointConsolidated Communications's VFO and the time an order confirmation is sent.

**Percent of Orders Confirmed On Time:** The percentage of orders confirmed within the timeframes specified in the Performance Standards.

**Flow-through:** Flow-through orders are received electronically through the VFO and are entered into M6 and confirmed with no manual intervention. (Refer to URL table in front of this section.)

**Facility Checks:** Orders submitted via a LSR for six or more lines and all orders submitted via an ASR require a facility check (except disconnects which require no facility check).

#### Trunks:

Order confirmation timeliness is measured in business days between receipt of a valid ASR and distribution of an ASRC. The DLR (Design Layout Record) is measured based upon the DLRD (Design Layout Record Date) established in M6. The DLRD is 10 Business Days for  $\leq$  192 Forecasted Trunks and is Negotiated for > 192 Trunks, Unforecasted Trunks, or Projects.

### **Order Confirmation Hours:**

For all OR-1 metrics except OR-1-02: Monday – Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 8:00 AM on the next business day.

For OR-1-02 (Flow-through) metric: Sunday – Saturday, between 6:00 AM and12:00 AM, except during FairPointConsolidated Communications scheduled downtime hours. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 6:00 AM on the next calendar day.

All scheduled downtime hours will be communicated to CLECs in advance in accordance with the FairPointConsolidated Communications Change Management process.

### **Exclusions:**

- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- ASR requests that have the RTR field populated with an "N" code for ASRC or DLR indicating the CLEC requested no confirmation/response be sent,
- For OR-1-13 only, the RTR field populated with an "F" code indicating the CLEC requested no DLR be sent,
- For OR-1-04 through OR 1-13 metrics (Non-Flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating response times: Weekends (Between 12:00 AM Saturday and 12:00 AM Monday) and Holidays (between 12:00 AM of the holiday and 12:00 AM of the first business day following the holiday),
- For OR-1-02 (Flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating response time: Sunday - Saturday , between 12:00 AM and 6:00 AM, and during FairPointConsolidated Communications scheduled down time hours.
- Duplicate Confirmations LSRCs or ASRCs issued against a unique PON (PON + Version Number + CLEC ID), subsequent to the first confirmation.

# Report Dimensions:

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Company:	Geography:	
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific	
CLEC Specific		
Sub-Metrics:		

OR-1-02 % On Time LSRC – Flow-through

Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	r/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator		and time is less	SRCs sent where the confirmation date than or equal to two (2) system availal h.	
<del>Denominator</del>	Total number of elec	etronic flow-throu	igh LSRCs for specified product for the	report month.
Metric #	Product Title	Performance S	tandard	Performance Credit Status
OR-1-02-2000	Resale		≥ 95% within 2 Hours	Eligible
OR-1-02-3332	UNE 2-Wire Loops/L	NP	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	Eligible

OR-1-04	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Chec	ck (Non-flow-through)	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator		uiring a facility check, sent where confi e is less than or equal to the standard f	
Denominator	Total number of electronic LSRCs ne report month.	ot requiring a facility check for specified	d product for the
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-1-04-2000	Resale	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible •
OR-1-04-3331	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible
OR-1-04-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible

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OR-1-06	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility 0	Check (Non-flow-through)	
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator >	( 100 )	
Numerator		s requiring a facility check, sent where of time is less than or equal to the stand	
Denominator	Total number of electronic LSRCs/A the report month.	SRCs requiring a facility check for spec	cified product for
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-1-06-2000	Resale	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible •
OR-1-06-3200	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Business Days	Eligible
OR-1-06-3331	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible
OR-1-06-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible

OR-1-12	% On Time ASRC		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator		here confirmation date and time minus standard for the product type for the re	
Denominator	Total number of electronic ASRCs for	or specified product for the report mont	th.
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-1-12-5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	≥ 95% within 10 Business Days	Eligible
OR-1-12-5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval	Eligible

OR-1-13	% On Time Design I	_ayout Record (DLR)	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	r/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of DLRs co	mpleted on or before DLRD date in M6 in report month.	
Denominator	Number of DLRs co	mpleted in report month.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-1-13-5000	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95% On or Before DLRD	Eligible

### **OR-2 Reject Timeliness**

### Definition:

The OR-2 metrics measures Reject Timeliness.

Reject Response Time: The amount of elapsed time (in hours and minutes) between receipt of an order request submitted via FairPointConsolidated Communications's VFO and the time a Service Order reject is sent.

**Percent of Orders Rejected On Time:** The percentage of orders rejected within the timeframes specified in the Performance Standards.

**Flow-through:** Flow-through orders are received electronically through the VFO and are rejected with no manual intervention. (Refer to URL table in front of this section.)

### **Order Reject Hours:**

For all OR-2 metrics except OR-2-02: Monday – Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 8:00 AM on the next business day

For OR-2-02 (Flow-through) metric: Sunday – Saturday, between 6:00 AM and 12:00 AM, except during <u>FairPointConsolidated Communications</u> scheduled downtime hours. Orders received outside these hours are considered received as of 6:00 AM on the next calendar day.

All scheduled downtime hours will be communicated to CLECs in advance in accordance with the FairPointConsolidated Communications Change Management process.

### **Exclusions:**

- Orders that fail basic front-end edits,
- · Invalid rejects,
- Duplicate rejects Rejects issued against a unique PON (PON + Version Number + CLEC ID), subsequent
  to the first reject,
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- For all OR-2-04 through OR 2-12 metrics (Non-flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating the response times: Weekends (Between 12:00 AM Saturday and 12:00 AM Monday) and Holidays (between 12:00 AM of the holiday and 12:00 AM of the first business day following the holiday).
- For OR-2-02 (Flow-through) the following hours are excluded from the elapsed time when calculating the response times: Sunday - Saturday, between 12:00 AM and 6:00 AM, and during FairPointConsolidated Communications scheduled down time hours.

# Report Dimensions:

Company:	Geography:
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>State Specific</li> </ul>
CLEC Specific	

# Sub-Metrics:

OR-2-02	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Throu	ıgh)	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)	
Numerator		nere the reject date and time minus the to two (2) system available hours for spe	
Denominator	Total number of electronically submithe report month.	tted flow-through LSRs rejected for spe	ecified product for
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-2-02-2000	Resale	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	Eligible •
OR-2-02-3332	UNE 2-Wire Loops/LNP	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	Eligible

OR-2-04	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility	/ Check (Non flow-through)		
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	/		
Numerator	date and time is less than or equal t specified product for the report mon		acility check for the	
Denominator	Total number of electronically subm specified product for the report mon	itted LSRs, not requiring a facility che th.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-2-04-2000	Resale	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible ◆	Formatted Table
OR-2-04-3331	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible	
OR-2-04-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	Eligible	
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	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facil			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x			
Numerator	date and time is within the standard product for the report month.	nere reject date and time minus the LS for orders requiring a facility check fo	r the specified	
Denominator	Total number of electronically subm specified product for the report mon	itted LSRs/ASRs requiring a facility chth.	neck rejected for	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	Formatted Table
OR-2-06-2000	Resale	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible ◆	Formatted Table
OR-2-06-3200	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Business Days	Eligible	
OR-2-06-3331	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible	
OR-2-06-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	Eligible	
				1
	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x			
Numerator		nere the reject date and time minus th o seven (7) business days or negotia		
Denominator	Total number of electronically subm report month.	itted trunk ASRs rejected for specified	<u> </u>	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-2-12-5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	Eligible	
OR-2-12-5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval	Diagnostic	

# Function: OR-4 Timeliness of Completion Notification Definition: The OR-4 sub-metrics measure Timeliness of Completion Netifications cont. The classed time begins when

The OR-4 sub-metrics measure Timeliness of Completion Notifications sent. The elapsed time begins when the last service order associated with a specific PON is considered Provisioning Completed. The Provisioning Completion Notice (PCN) and the Billing Completion Notice (BCN) are considered sent when the FairPeintConsolidated Communications system initiates the send of the completed notifier to the CLEC.

# **Exclusions:**

- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,
- For OR-4-11, orders designed to not generate a PCN or a BCN,
- For OR-4-16, orders designed to not generate a PCN,
- For OR-4-17, orders designed to not generate a BCN.

# Report Dimensions:

Company
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- CLEC Aggregate
- CLEC Specific

# Geography:

State Specific

# Sub-Metrics:

OR-4-11	4-11 % Completed Orders with Neither a PCN nor BCN Sent			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of PONs completed that have produced neither a PCN nor a BCN within two (2) business days after the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of PONs for which the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
OR-4-11- 10003000	Resale & UNE	≤ 0.25% within 2 Business Days of Provisioning Completion	Diagnostic	

OR-4-16	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers Sent within One Business Day			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of PONs completed that produce a PCN within one (1) business day after last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of PONs for which the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard Performan Credit Sta		
OR-4-16- 10003000	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	Eligible	

OR-4-17	OR-4-17 % Billing Completion Notifiers Sent On Time			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of PONs completed that produce a BCN within the specified intervals after last service order has been provisioning completed for the report month.			
Denominator	Total number of PONs for which the last service order has been updated as provisioning completed for the report month.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
OR-4-17-1000	Resale & UNE	≥ 95.5% within 2 or 4 Business Days of Provisioning Completion. (2 bus. days on order(s) not in bill cycle hold. 4 bus. days on order(s) in bill cycle hold)		

Function:	
OR-5 Percent Flow-through LSRC	
Definition:	
The OR-5 sub-metrics measure the percent of LSRCs that were generated without manual intervention a	as a
nament of total LCDCs. These confirmations require no action by a FairDaintConsolidated Consequence	

percent of total LSRCs. These confirmations require no action by a FairPointConsolidated Communications service representative to input an order into M6. This is also known as Ordering flow-through. (Refer to URL table in front of this section.) ASRs do not flow-through by design, and are not included in the OR-5 metric.

- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3.
- **Duplicate LSRCs**

From % Flow-through - Achieved (OR-5-03):

- Orders not eligible to flow-through,
  Orders with CLEC input errors in violation of published business rules.

### Report Dimensions: Company: Geography: CLEC AggregateCLEC Specific State Specific Sub-Metrics:

	OR-5-01 % Flow-through – Total			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	: 100)		
Numerator	Number of LSRCs that flowed-throu	gh for specified product.		
Denominator	Total number of LSRCs for specified	Total number of LSRCs for specified product.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
OR-5-01-2000	Resale	No Standard	Diagnostic <b></b> ◆	Formatted Table
OR-5-01-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	No Standard	Diagnostic	
OR-5-01-3121	Directory Listings & LNP	No Standard	Diagnostic -	Formatted Table

OR-5-03	% Flow-through – Achieved			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)		
Numerator	Number of LSRCs that flowed-through for specified product.			
Denominator	Total number of flow-through eligible LSRCs.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-5-03-2000	Resale	≥ 95%	Eligible •	Formatted Table
OR-5-03-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	≥ 95%	Eligible	
OR-5-03-3121	Directory Listings & LNP	≥ 95%	Eligible	Formatted Table

### **OR-6 Order Accuracy**

### Definition:

The OR-6 sub-metrics measure the accuracy of LSRCs sent to CLECs.

**OR-6-01 - % Service Order Accuracy:** Percent of LSRCs manually entered into M6 by FairPointConsolidated Communications without error.

For sub-metric OR-6-01, FairPointConsolidated Communications uses a manual audit process of sampled manually processed LSRs. A random sample of manually processed LSRs is selected for analysis each month. A statistically valid sample size with a 95% confidence level will be established by January 30th each calendar year, based upon the average monthly volume of manually processed LSRs in the prior calendar year. If the volume of manually processed LSRs is below the established sample size, all manually processed LSRs will be reviewed.

The specific fields to be addressed include:

- Billed Telephone Number
- RSID or AECN
- PON Number
- Telephone Number (if applicable, required for resold POTS, Platform and LNP/INP)
- Ported TN (if applicable, required for LNP/INP)
- Circuit ID (if applicable, required for specials and loops)
- Directory Listing Information (if included)
- E911 Listing Information (if changing and appropriate)
- Features (for Resale and Switching orders)
- Due Date

Includes all fields on service order that impact service. For example "optional fields" such as call forwarding to telephone number would be included as a "feature" field and be subject to review.

OR-6-03 - % Resent LSRC: Percent of LSRCs resent.

For sub-metric OR-6-03, the measure is a percentage of all LSRCs resent due to FairPointConsolidated Communications error against the total number of LSRCs sent in the reporting month.

**OR-6-04 - % Accuracy – Directory Listings:** Percent of directory listing LSRCs manually entered into M6 by FairPointConsolidated Communications without error.

For sub-metric OR-6-04, A statistically valid random sample of manually processed Directory Listing LSRCs is pulled from FairPointConsolidated Communications"s system. A statistically valid sample size with a 95% confidence level will be established by January 30<sup>th</sup> each calendar year, based upon the average volume of manually processed Directory Listing LSRCs in the prior calendar year. If the volume of manually processed LSRCs is below the established sample size, all manually handled orders will be reviewed. The following fields on the Directory Listing Form of the LSR (if populated) need to be compared to M6. If the designated fields are not populated on the LSR, the CSR of the former retail customer needs to be compared to M6.

# Field / Name / Definition:

- 10 / LACT/ Listing Activity (new, z, change)
- 11 / ALI / Alpha Numeric Listing Identifier Code (optional change or delete activity) resale additional listings, UNE primary and additional listings
- 12 / RTY / Record Type (main, addl, foreign listing)
- 13 / LTY / Listing Type (listed, non listed)
- 39 / LTN / Listed Telephone Number
- 45 / LNLN / Listed Name, Last Name

- 46 / LNFN / Listed Name, First Name
- 56 / ADI / Address Indicator (O to omit address)
- 59 / LASF / Listed Address House Number Suffix
- 60 / LASD / Listed Address Street Directional
- 61 / LASN / Listed Address Street Name
- 62 / LATH / Listed Address Thoroughfare (e.g., St., Rd., Ave.)
- 63 / LASS / Listed Address Street Suffix (e.g., Main St. West)
- 65 / LALOC / Listed Address Locality94 / YPH / Yellow Page Heading

# Exclusions:

- LSRs entered by the CLEC that flow-through,
- For OR-6-01, Directory Listing Orders
- For OR-6-04, Disconnect Orders.

# Report Dimensions:

Company:

CLEC Aggregate

# Geography:

OR-6-01: FairPoint NNEConsolidated

Communications

OR-6-03: State Specific

OR-6-04: FairPoint NNE

# Sub-Metrics:

-	OR-6-01 % Service Order Ac	<del>curacy</del>			
Metric Type	Metric Type Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of LSRCs sampled minus orders with errors for specified product.				
Denominator	Number of LSRCs sampled for specified product.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
OR-6-01- 1001 <u>3332</u>	Resale & UNE 2-Wire Loops /LNP	≥ 95% without Errors	Eligible		

OR-6-03	% Resent LSRC			
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x	100)		
Numerator	Number of LSRCs resent due to erro	Number of LSRCs resent due to error.		
Denominator	Total Number of LSRCs sent.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
OR-6-03-2000	Resale	≤ 5% due to Errors	Eligible •	
OR-6-03-3332	UNE 2-Wire Loops/LNP	≤ 5% due to Errors	Eligible	

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OR-6-04	% Accuracy - Direct	tory Listing	<b>4</b>
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of LSRCs sampled for Directory Listings minus LSRCs with errors.		
Denominator	Number of Directory Listing LSRCs sampled.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-6-04-1040	Directory Listings	≥ 95% without Errors	Eligible

## Function: OR-11 Timeliness of Provider Notification Report Definition:

The OR-11 metric measures the timeliness of line loss Provider Notification (PN) Reports. The metric measures the elapsed time between the date a resale line is migrated from a CLEC to the date that the notification information for that line is made available to that CLEC on the PN Report. The interval measured starts with an M6 update that the work necessary to migrate the line (disconnect or number port) to the new CLEC has been completed and ends when a line loss notification is transmitted to the former CLEC. Inaccurate and missing notices are considered late. PN Reports will be provided to CLECs each business day via the Wholesale Customer Portal (WCP) process. The report date (i.e., date PN report is posted to the portal) is considered to be the create date shown in the file directory. The PN process starts with collection of the previous business day's completed service orders with disconnect activity from M6. Weekend and holiday days are reported on the next business day. Migration order types measured in the OR-11 metric include: 1) resale to resale, 2) resale to UNE loop via hot cut, 3) resale ported via LNP, 4) resale to retail, and 5) resale to commercial arrangements (e.g., Wholesale Package).

Exclusions:		
• None.		
Report Dimensions:		
Company:	Geography:	
CLEC Aggregate	<ul> <li>State Specific</li> </ul>	
CLEC Specific		
Sub-Metric:		

OR-11-01 % On Time Resale Provider Notifications			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numera	ator/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of accurate line loss notices reported on daily PN reports in report month, where the report date minus the effective date is less than or equal to two (2) business days.		
<del>Denominator</del>	Number of line loss records reported on PN Reports in the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OR-11-01-2000	Resale	≥ 95% within 2 Business Days	Eligible

## PROVISIONING PERFORMANCE

(PR)

	Function
PR-1	Average Interval Offered
PR-3	Percent of Orders Completed within Specified Number of Business Days
PR-4	Missed Commitments
PR-5	Facility Missed Orders
PR-6	Installation Quality
PR-8	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status
PR-9	Hot Cut Loop Performance

## Function: PR-1 Average Interval Offered Definition:

The PR-1 sub-metrics measure the average number of business days between order application date and committed due date (appointment date) for completed and cancelled orders. The PR-1 sub-metric calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as billing completed or cancelled. The order application date is the date that a valid service request (LSR or ASR) is received (day zero (0)).

Note: Orders received after 3:00 PM are counted as received the next business day.

## **Exclusions:**

- Orders where a CLEC customer requested or negotiated intervals beyond the standard appointment interval,
- Orders with invalid intervals (e.g. Negative intervals or intervals over 200 business days indicative of typographical error),
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3,

# Special Poject Polis (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3, Disconnects. Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Sub-Metrics:

	PR-1-04 Average Inte	rval Offered - Dispatch (6 to 9 Lines)		
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denor	ninator)		
Numerator	Sum of committed DD minus application date for 2-Wire Analog orders with an outside dispatch for orders with six (6) to nine (9) lines.			
Denominator	Number of 2-Wire Analog orders with an outside dispatch for orders with six (6) to nine (9) lines.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-1-04-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic	

	PR-1-05 Average Inte	rval Offered – Dispatch (≥ 10 Lines)			
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denon	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)			
Numerator	Sum of committed DD minus application date for 2-Wire Analog orders with an outside dispatch for orders with ten (10) or more-lines.				
Denominator	Number of 2-Wire Analog orders with an outside dispatch for orders with ten (10) or more lines.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-1-05-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic		

PR-1-09	Average Interval Offered				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denom	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)			
Numerator	Sum of committed DD minus a	Sum of committed DD minus application date for product group orders.			
Denominator	Number of orders for product	group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-1-09-3211	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1 (Retail DS1 excludes feature changes on PRI ISDN (no dispatch))	Diagnostic		
PR-1-09-3213	UNE DS3	Parity with Retail DS3	Diagnostic		
PR-1-09-5020	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted )	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		
PR-1-09-5030	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

## PR-3 Percent of Orders Completed within Specified Number of Business Days

## Definition:

The PR-3 sub-metrics measure the percent of orders that have been updated as provisioning completed within a specified number of business days. The elapsed time is measured as the interval between order application receipt date and physical work completion date (i.e., date provisioning work such as wiring or translation work is finished). The application date is the date that a valid service request (LSR or ASR) is received (day zero (0)). Orders completed on the committed Due Date (DD) are considered to be completed on-time regardless of the time of day the order was actually completed. The PR-3 sub-metric calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as billing completed.

Note: Orders received after 3:00 PM are counted as received the next business day.

## Exclusions:

- · Disconnect Orders,
- Orders where a CLEC customer requested or negotiated intervals beyond the standard appointment interval
- Orders with invalid intervals (e.g. Negative Intervals or intervals over 200 business days indicative of typographical error),
- Orders completed late due to end-user or CLEC caused delay,
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3.

For 2-Wire Digital and 2-Wire xDSL Loop only:

Orders missed due to facility reasons.

## Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Sub-Metrics: Geography: State Specific

PR-3-01	% Completed in 1 D	ay - No Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	◄	(
Metric Type Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator		atch orders with one (1) to five (5) lines where completione (1) or fewer business days.	on date minus	
<del>Denominator</del>	Denominator Number of No Dispatch orders with one (1) to five (5) lines.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-3-01-2000	Resale	Diagnostic Standard, No Retail Statistics Calculated	Diagnostic	

-	PR-3-02 % Comple	eted in 4 Days - No Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Den	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of No Dispatch orders with one (1) to five (5) lines where completion date minus application date is four (4) or fewer business days.				
<del>Denominator</del>	Number of No Dispatch or	Number of No Dispatch orders with one (1) to five (5) lines.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-3-02-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible •		
PR-3-02-3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS — New (N orders, T orders, and C orders with line counts greater than zero)	Eligible		

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<u> </u>			ays - Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/De		,		
<del>lumerator</del>	Number of Dispatch order application date is three	ers with one (3) or fewer	(1) to five (5) lines where completion business days.	date minus	
Denominator	Number of Dispatch orde	ers with one	(1) to five (5) lines.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performa	nce Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-3-06-2000	Resale	Diagnost	c comparison to Retail POTS	Diagnostic -	Formatted Table
PR-3-06-3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop – New	POTS_I	c comparison to <u>Parity with Retail</u> New (N orders, T orders, and C th line counts greater than zero)	Diagnostic	
			ays - Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)		]
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/De	<del>nominator x</del>	<del>-100)</del>		
Numerator	Number of Dispatch POT application date is four (4	S orders wi l) or fewer b	th one (1) to five (5) lines where comusiness days.	pletion date minus	
Denominator	Number of Dispatch orde	ers with one	(1) to five (5) lines.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performa	nce Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-3-07-2000	Resale		h Retail POTS	Eligible •	Formatted Tabl
PR-3-07-3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop – New		h Retail POTS — New (N orders, T and C orders with line counts greater)	Eligible	
	PR-3-08 % Comp	eted in 5 D	ays - No Dispatch (1 to 10 Lines)		7
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/De				
Numerator	Number of No Dispatch of application date is five (5		one (1) to ten (10) lines where compleusiness days.	etion date minus	
Denominator	Number of No Dispatch	orders with o	one (1) to ten (10) lines.		
Metric #	Product Title		Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-3-08-3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	- Hot Cut	≥ 95%	Diagnostic	]
PR-3-10	% Completed in 6 Days				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/De	nominator x	100)		
Numerator	Number of orders with or is six (6) or fewer busine		(5) lines where completion date min	us application date	
Denominator	Number of orders with or	ne (1) to five	(5) lines.		
Metric #	Product Title		Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-3-10-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xD	SI Loops	≥ 95%	Eligible	

-	PR-3-11 % Completed in 10 D	Days – No Dispatch (11 to 20 Lines)			
Metric Type	Metric Type Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Number of orders with eleven (11) to twenty (20) lines where the completion date minus application date is ten (10) or fewer business days.					
Denominator	Denominator Number of orders with eleven (11) to twenty (20) lines.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-3-11-3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95%	Diagnostic		

## **PR-4 Missed Commitments**

## Definition:

The PR-4 sub-metrics measure performance in meeting committed due dates (DD). This may be reported as percent met or as percent missed. With the exception of Trunks, the PR-4 sub-metric calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as billing completed. PR-4-02-5000 and PR-4-15-5000 (CLEC Trunks) calculations for the report month include orders that have been updated as provisioning completed.

Provisioning completed means the physical provisioning work such as wiring or translation work is finished.

**Average Delay Days:** For orders/trunks missed due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons, the average number of business days between the order DD and provisioning completed date.

For Trunks: The PR-4 sub-metrics are measured per trunk rather than per order.

**For LNP:** Percent of all LNP orders (including both the trigger message and associated disconnect order) where trigger is in place before the DD and the disconnect is completed on or after 11:59 PM of the due date. For LNP only orders, the percent of LNP (retail disconnect) orders completed in translation on or after DD on the order.

**Note:** Telephone Numbers disconnected early or ported early at the customer's request are considered met. Orders where the trigger is in place on the DD but before the number is ported by the CLEC are considered met triggers.

**For Directory Listings:** The PR-4-16 sub-metric measures the number of directory listing updates sent to the 411 Database Administrator within one business day of the directory listing order due date.

### **Exclusions**

• Disconnect Orders (except for PR-4-07 and PR-4-16).

For UNE 2-Wire Digital and xDSL Loops only:

· Orders missed for facility reasons.

For PR-4-16 only:

Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3

## Report Dimensions:

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•	CLEC Ag	gregate

Geography:
• State Specific

Consolidated Communications: PR-4-01-

CLEC Specific

3213, PR-4-02-5000, PR-4-15-5000

## Sub-Metrics:

PR-4-01	% Missed Due Date			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	or/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of orders where the provisioning completed date is after the order DD due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons for product group.			
Denominator	Number of orders provisioning completed for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
PR-4-01-3211	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1 (Retail DS1 excludes feature changes on PRI ISDN (no dispatch))	Eligible	
PR-4-01-3213	UNE DS3	Parity with Retail DS3≤5%	Eligible	

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PR-4-02	Average Delay Days					
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominate	or)		7		
Numerator	Sum of the provisioning complete FairPointConsolidated Communic	d date minus DD for orders/trunks missed ations reasons by product group.	I due to			
Denominator	Number of orders/trunks missed f product group.	or FairPointConsolidated Communication				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status			
PR-4-02-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible •	Formatted Table		
PR-4-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible			
PR-4-02-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible			
PR-4-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible			
PR-4-02-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks5 Days	Eligible	Formatted: Highlight		
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	PR-4-04 % Missed Due Da Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	•		4		
Metric Type	( )	/	to effect the end of	_		
Numerator		ere the order provisioning completed date Communications reasons for product gro				
Denominator	Number of Dispatched Orders pro	ovisioning completed for product group.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status			
PR-4-04-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible •	Formatted Table		
PR-4-04-3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop — New	Parity with Retail POTS – New (N orders, T orders, and C orders with line counts greater than zero)	Eligible			
	PR-4-05 % Missed Due Da	eto – No Dienatch		٦		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator					
Numerator	Number of No Dispatch orders wh	Number of No Dispatch orders where the Order provisioning completed date is after the order  DD due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons for product group				
Denominator	Number of No Dispatch orders provisioning completed for product group.					
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status			
PR-4-05-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible +	Formatted Table		
PR-4-05-3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS — New (N orders, T orders, and C orders with line counts greater than zero)	Eligible			

PR-4-07	% On Time Performance – LNP On	ly	4	Formatted Table
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x			
Numerator	Number of LNP orders (1 order = Trigger message and disconnect order), where trigger is in place before the due date and the retail disconnect is completed on or after 11:59 PM of the DD.			
Denominator	Number of LNP orders completed (1 order = Trigger message and disconnect order).			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-4-07-3540	UNE LNP	≥ 95%	Eligible	

PR-4-14	% Met Due Date				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of orders provisioning completed on or before the DD.				
Denominator	Number of orders provisioning completed minus any orders delayed due to CLEC/end user reasons.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-4-14-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95%	Eligible		

PR-4-15	% Met Due Date – Trunks				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of trunks where the order provisioning completed date is on or before the DD.				
Denominator	Number of trunks provisioning completed.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-4-15-5000	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95%	Eligible		

PR-4-16	% Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time			Formatted Table
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denomina	tor x 100)		
Numerator	Number of directory listing updates sent to the 411 Database Administrator within one (1) business day of confirmed due date.			
Denominator	Number of directory listing updates sent to the 411 Database Administrator.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
PR-4-16-1040	Directory Listings	≥ 95% within 1 Business Day	Eligible	

## Function: Definition:

## **PR-5 Facility Missed Orders**

The PR-5 sub-metrics measure orders missed for facility reasons. The PR-5 sub-metric calculations only include orders that have been Billing Completed in the report month, except for trunks, which are reported in the month Provisioning Completed.

**UNE**-and-Resale: The percent of Billing Completed Dispatched Orders that Provisioning Completed after the committed due date, due to lack of FairPointConsolidated Communications facilities.

 $\label{thm:completed} \textbf{Trunks}: \quad \text{The percent of trunks Provisioning Completed after the committed due date, due to lack of $$ FairPointConsolidated Communications facilities. }$ 

## Exclusions:

Disconnect orders.

For UNE and Resale orders:

Non-dispatched orders

## Report Dimensions:

Company:

CLEC AggregateCLEC Specific

Geography:
• State Specific

Sub-Metrics:

PR-5-01 % Missed Due Date — Facilities					
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of Billing Completed dispatched orders for the product group or Provisioning Completed trunks where the provisioning completed date is after the order DD, due to FairPointConsolidated Communications Facility reasons.				
Denominator	Number of Billing Completed dispatched orders for product group or Provisioning Completed trunks.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-5-01-2000	Resale Diagnostic comparison to Retail POTS Diagnos		Diagnostic• (		
PR-5-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

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PR-5-02	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of dispatched orders or trunks where the provisioning completed date minus DD is more than15 calendar days due to FairPointConsolidated Communications Facility reasons for product group.				
Denominator	Number of dispatched orders or	r trunks provisioning completed for product	group.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-5-02-2000	Resale	Diagnostic comparison to Retail POTS	Diagnostic		
PR-5-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic		
PR-5-02-3200	UNE Specials	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic		
PR-5-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	No Standard	Diagnostic		
PR-5-02-5000	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

PR-5-03	% Orders Held for Facilities > 60 Days				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of trunks where the completion date minus DD is more than 60 calendar days due to FairPointConsolidated Communications Facility reasons for product group.				
Denominator	Number of trunks co	ompleted.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-5-03-5000	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

## PR-6 Installation Quality

## Definition:

The PR-6 sub-metrics measure the ratio of found network installation troubles closed in a report month, compared to lines/circuits/trunks provisioned in the month. A network trouble is defined as an installation trouble if it is closed within 7 or 30 calendar days (depending on the metric) of an order that has been updated as provisioning completed in the month. Includes Disposition Codes 03 (Drop Wire), 04 (Cable) and 05 (Central Office).

**Note:** Troubles measured in PR-6-02 are the same troubles reported in PR-9-08. Should an additional found network trouble be closed after the installation trouble but within the same 7 or 30 calendar day period it will be counted as a repeat trouble in the MR-5 metric and not as an installation trouble.

## **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- Troubles reported by FairPointConsolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer has reported a trouble,
- Special Project PONs (if applicable) per the process documented in Appendix 3.

## Report Dimensions:

Company:	Geography:
CLEC Aggregate	•State Specific
CLEC Specific	Consolidated Communications: PR-6-01-5000
Sub-Metrics:	

PR-6-01	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days			
Metric Type	Ratio reported as a Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of installation troubles found within the network (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) closed within 30 calendar days of provisioning completion for product group.  Total lines/circuits/trunks provisioning completed in report month for product group.			
Denominator				
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard		Performance Credit Status	
PR-6-01-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible •	

Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
PR-6-01-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible •
PR-6-01-3113	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS - Dispatched	Eligible
PR-6-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible
PR-6-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS – Dispatched	Eligible
PR-6-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D	Eligible

	PR-6-02 % Installation Trouble	es Reported within 7 Days	◄(		
Number of hot cut installation troubles found within the network (Disposition Codes 03, 04					
	and 05) closed within seven (7) calendar days of hot cut completion.				
Denominator	Total number of hot cut lines completed in report month.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-6-02-3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≤ 2%	Eligible		

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## PR-8 Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status

## Definition:

The PR-8 sub-metrics measure the number of open orders in the product group that, at the close of the reporting period, have been in a hold status for more than 30 or 90 calendar days, as a percentage of orders Billing Completed in the reporting period for that product group. This does not apply to the PR-8-01-5000 and PR-8-02-5000 sub-metrics (CLEC Trunks), which are calculated based on physical work (provisioning) completion.

The denominator of the PR-8 sub-metric calculations includes orders for the product group that are updated as Billing Completed or trunks that are updated as Provisioning Completed in the report month, plus orders for that product group or trunks in a hold status for more than 30 or 90 days, due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons.

An open order/trunk is a valid order/trunk that has not been Provisioning Completed or Cancelled. Open orders/trunk(s) in a hold status are orders/trunk(s) that have passed the committed due date, due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons.

For the PR-8 metrics, the committed due date counts as Day 0 (zero).

## **Exclusions:**

- · Disconnect Orders,
- Orders that at the request of the CLEC/end user have not been assigned a committed due date,
- Orders that remain open after FairPointConsolidated Communications has requested the CLEC cancel the
  order for regulatory and/or other valid industry acceptable reasons.

The following orders are excluded from the numerator only:

Orders that are provisioning completed or cancelled.

## Report Dimensions:

Company Geography:	
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>	State Specific
CLEC Specific	Consolidated Communications: PR-8-01-5000

## Sub-Metrics:

PR-8-01	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days					
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denomina	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of open orders for the product group or trunks that, at the close of the reporting period, have been in a hold status for more than 30 calendar days due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons.					
Denominator	Numerator plus total number of orders for the product group or trunks completed in the reporting period.					
Metric #	Product Title	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status				
PR-8-01-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible •			
PR-8-01-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible			
PR-8-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible			
PR-8-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible			
PR-8-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks≤ 5%	Eligible			

PR-8-02	% Open Orders in a Hold Sta	tus > 90 Days			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)				
Numerator	Number of open orders for the product group or trunks that, at the close of the reporting period, have been in a hold status for more than 90 calendar days due to FairPointConsolidated Communications reasons.				
Denominator	Numerator plus total number reporting period.	of orders for the product group or trunks com	pleted in the		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-8-02-2000	Resale	Diagnostic comparison to Retail POTS	Diagnostic <b>◆</b>		
PR-8-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic		
PR-8-02-3200	UNE Specials	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic		
PR-8-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic		
PR-8-02-5000	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic comparison to Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic		

### **PR-9 Hot Cut Loop Performance**

## **Definition:**

The PR-9 sub-metrics measure installation performance for UNE Hot Cut Loop orders.

The PR-9-01 metric measures the percent of UNE 2-Wire Analog loop hot cut orders, with or without number portability, completed within the following cut-over windows. The cut-over window represents the amount of time from start to completion of physical cut-over of lines:

one (1) to nine (9) lines: one (1) Hour 10 to 49 lines: two (2) Hours 50 to 99 lines: three (3) Hours 100 or more lines: Negotiated

If Integrated Digital Loop Carrier (IDLC) is involved and a dispatch is required a four (4) hour appointment window (8:00 AM – 12:00 PM or 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM) is required. This is only applicable if FairPoint notified the CLEC by 2:30 PM on DD-2 (i.e., two-days in advance) that the service was on IDLC.

A coordinated Hot Cut is considered met when one of the following situation occurs:

- 1. All required cross-wiring work is completed at the appointed Frame Due Time (FDT) as noted on the LSRC or the work is done at a time mutually agreed upon by the WSC/CLEC, and, if the number is being ported, FairPoint has sent the port activation notice to the Number Portability Administration Center (NPAC).
- Orders missed for customer reasons, where there is no FairPoint miss, will be counted as met once the
  cut-over is completed.

Note: If NPAC activation fails, for reasons outside FairPoint's control, the hot cut is considered met.

A coordinated Hot Cut is considered missed when one of the following occurs:

- 1. FairPoint premature disconnect called in by the CLEC to FairPoint's Order Management Center (OMC) (refer to URL table in front of this section) (otherwise the disconnect would be captured as a Retail trouble).
- All required cross-wiring work was not done (e.g. work was not turned up to CLEC by some means (e-mail, VMS, direct phone call)) due to a FairPoint reason (e.g. Held For Cable, late turn-up, due date pushed out due to FairPoint action) or FairPoint fails to send the port activation to NPAC.

## **Exclusions:**

If a CLEC cancels an order before the start of a Hot Cut window and FairPoint performs the Hot Cut, this
 FairPoint error will result in a retail/ Resale/UNE-L trouble report and need not be reflected elsewhere.

## For PR-9-08:

Sub-Metrics:

Troubles reported by FairPoint employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where
no customer has reported a trouble.

## **Report Dimensions:**

Company:
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>CLFC Specific</li> </ul>

Geography:

State Specific

	PR-9-01 % On Time Performance – Hot Cut				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator)	<del>( 100)</del>			
Numerator	Number of Hot Cut (coordinated loop) orders (with or without number portability) completed within committed cutover window on DD.				
Denominator	tor Number of Hot Cut (coordinated loop orders) completed.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
PR-9-01-3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95% Completed within Window	Eligible		

	PR-9-08 Average Duration o	f Hot Cut Installation Troubles			
Metric Type	Average (Numerator/Denominator)				
Numerator	The sum of the trouble clear date and time minus the trouble receipt date and time for Hot Cut Installation troubles found within the network (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) closed within seven (7) calendar days of hot cut completion.				
Denominator	Number of hot cut installation troubles found within the network (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) closed within seven (7) days of hot cut completion.				
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status				
PR-9-08-3520	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	Parity with Retail POTS – New (Norders, Torders, and Corders with line counts greater than zero)	Eligible		

## MAINTENANCE & REPAIR PERFORMANCE

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MR-1	Response Time OSS Maintenance Interface
MR-2	Trouble Report Rate
MR-3	Missed Repair Appointments
MR-4	Trouble Duration Intervals
MR-5	Repeat Troubles

Function:	Function:				
	MR-1 Response Time OSS Maintenance Interface				
Definition:	Definition:				
The MR-1 sub-metrics measure the system response time from receipt of a trouble transaction FairPointConsolidated Communications's VFO to issuance of a response from FairPointConsolidate Communications's VFO.					
	uesting a history are reported under MR-1-05, not MR-1-02.				
Exclusions:					
<ul> <li>Trouble transactions re</li> </ul>	Trouble transactions received between 5:00 PM and 8:00 AM seven (7) days per week.				
Report Dimensions:					
Company:	Company: Geography:				
<ul> <li>CLEC Aggregate</li> <li>CLEC Specific</li> </ul> FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications					
Sub-Metrics:	Sub-Metrics:				

MR-1-01	Average Respons	se Time – Create Trouble	
Metric Type	Average. (Nume	rator/Denominator)	
Numerator	Sum of all Create Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.		
Denominator	Number of Create Trouble transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-1-01-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Eligible

MR-1-02	Average Response	Time – Status Trouble	
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	or/Denominator)	
Numerator	Sum of all Status Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.		
Denominator	Number of Status Trouble transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-1-02-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic

MR-1-03	Average Response	Time – Modify Trouble	
Metric Type	Average. (Numera	tor/Denominator)	
Numerator	Sum of all Modify Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.		
Denominator	Number of Modify Trouble transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-1-03-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic

MR-1-04	Average Response Time – Request Cancellation of Trouble				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)			
Numerator	Sum of all Cancel Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.				
Denominator	Number of Cancel Trouble transactions.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
MR-1-04-6000	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Diagnostic		

MR-1-05	Average Response	Time – Status & Trouble History	
Metric Type	Average. (Numerat	or/Denominator)	
Numerator	Sum of all Status and Trouble History transaction response times from the time transaction is received to the time a response is sent.		
Denominator	Number of Trouble History transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-1-05-6000	VFO	No Standard	Diagnostic

MR-1-06 Average Response Time – Test Trouble (Resale POTS Only)				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerate	or/Denominator)		
Numerator	Sum of all Test Trou	Sum of all Test Trouble transaction response times from the time transaction is received to		
	the time a response is sent.			
Denominator	Number of Trouble	Test transactions.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-1-06-6000	VFO	≤ 90 Seconds	Eligible	

## Function: MR-2 Trouble Report Rate Definition:

The MR-2 sub-metrics measure the number of reported troubles found in <a href="FairPointConsolidated Communications">FairPointConsolidated Communications</a>'s network (Network Trouble) per 100 units in service. Network Trouble means a trouble where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03 (Drop-wire), 04 (Outside Plant Loop), or 05 (Central Office). Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

## **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- Troubles reported by FairPointConsolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer has reported a trouble,
- Switch and Translation troubles from the Retail compare of MR-2-03 for UNE 2-Wire Analog, 2-Wire Digital and xDSL Loops,

Excluded from MR-2-02 and MR-2-03 for 2-Wire Digital and xDSL Loops:

• Installation troubles reported in PR-6-01.

## Report Dimensions: Company: CLEC Aggregate CLEC Specific Sub-Metrics: Geography: State Specific

MR-2-01	Network Trouble Report Rate	)	
Metric Type	Ratio multiplied by 100 (Num	erator/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of trouble reports with product group.	h found network troubles (Disposition codes (	03, 04 and 05) for
Denominator	Number of units in service for	product group.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-2-01-3200	UNE Specials	No Standard	Diagnostic
MR-2-01-5000	CLFC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic

MR-2-02	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop	)	
Metric Type	Ratio multiplied by 100 (Numerator/D	enominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of loop trouble reports with for product group.	ound network troubles (Disposition	n Codes 03 and 04) for
Denominator	Number of units in service for product	group.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-2-02-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic◀
MR-2-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic
MR-2-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic

MR-2-03	Network Trouble Report Rate - Cent	ral Office			
Metric Type	Ratio multiplied by 100 (Numerator/D	enominator x 100)			
Numerator	Number of Central Office trouble repo for product group.	Number of Central Office trouble reports with found network troubles (Disposition Code 05) for product group.			
Denominator	Number of units in service for product	group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
MR-2-03-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic◀		
MR-2-03-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic		
MR-2-03-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Diagnostic		

## MR-3 Missed Repair Appointments

## Definition:

The MR-3 sub-metrics measure the percent of reported Network Troubles not repaired and cleared by the date and time committed. Network Trouble means a trouble where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03 (Drop Wire), 04 (Cable) or 05 (Central Office). Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

## Exclusions:

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- CLEC or end-user caused missed appointments or where required access was not available during appointment interval,
- Troubles reported by FairPointConsolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer reported a trouble,
- Switch and Translation troubles from the Retail compare of MR-3-02 for UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital and 2-Wire xDSL Loops.

## Report Dimensions:

## Company:

CLEC Aggregate

Geography:

CLEC Aggregate

CLEC Specific

State Specific

## Sub-Metrics:

MR-3-01	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	or/Denominator	x 100)		
Numerator		Number of Loop troubles with found network trouble (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) where cleared time is after the committed time.) for product group.			
Denominator	Number of Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03 and 04) for product group.				
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard		Performance Credit Status	
MR-3-01-2010	Resale Business		Parity with Retail POTS – Business	Eligible	
MR-3-01-2120	Resale POTS Residence		Parity with Retail POTS - Residence	Eligible	
MR-3-01-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop		Parity with Retail POTS Eligib		
MR-3-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital	& xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	

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MR-3-02	% Missed Repair Appointment – C	entral Office			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	x 100)			
Numerator		Number of Central Office troubles with found network trouble (Disposition Code 05) where cleared time is after the committed time, for product group.			
Denominator	Number of Central Office Troubles	Number of Central Office Troubles (Disposition Code 05) for product group.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status		
MR-3-02-2010	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS – Business	Eligible •		
MR-3-02-2120	Resale POTS Residence	Parity with Retail POTS - Residence	Eligible		
MR-3-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible		
MR-3-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible		

## **MR-4 Trouble Duration Intervals**

## Definition:

The MR-4 sub-metrics measure average network trouble duration intervals.

Network Trouble means a trouble where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03 (Drop Wire), 04 (Cable) or 05 (Central Office). Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

**For Retail POTS** and Resale, trouble duration intervals are measured on a *running clock* (7 days X 24 hours) basis (i.e., clock does not stop until trouble is cleared). Run clock includes nights, weekends and holidays.

For UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loop products, trouble duration intervals are measured on a limited *stop clock* basis. A limited *stop clock* is used when access to the customer premises, provided by the CLEC and its end user, is after the offered repair interval. For example, if customer premises access is not available on a weekend, the clock stops at 5:00 PM Friday, and resumes at 08:00 AM Monday. This applies to dispatch out tickets only.

For Special Services and CLEC Trunks, trouble duration intervals are measured on a *stop clock* basis (e.g., the clock is stopped when CLEC testing is occurring, FairPointConsolidated Communications is awaiting CLEC acceptance, or FairPointConsolidated Communications is denied access or access is otherwise unavailable).

MR-4-01, 4-02 and 4-03 measure the mean time to repair (MTTR) network troubles. MTTR is the average duration interval from the time a network trouble report is received to the time the network trouble is cleared.

MR-4-04 measures the percent of troubles cleared within 24 hours of receipt of a trouble report.

**MR-4-05**, **4-06**, **4-07** and **4-08** measure the percent of Network Troubles that indicate an Out-Of-Service (OOS) condition which was repaired and cleared more than 2, 4, 12, or 24 hours after receipt of trouble report. The OOS period commences when the trouble is logged into FairPointConsolidated Communications's designated trouble management system (Remedy) after the trouble is entered via a trouble reporting interface (VFO).

For POTS Services (Resale POTS and UNE 2-Wire Analog loops), OOS means that there is no dial tone, the customer cannot call out, or the customer cannot be called.

For UNE 2-Wire Digital, 2-Wire xDSL, UNE Specials and CLEC Trunks, an OOS condition is defined as follows: Troubles where, in the initial contact with the CLEC/End User customer, it is determined that the circuit is completely OOS and not just an intermittent problem, and the trouble completion code indicated that a trouble was found within the FairPointConsolidated Communications network.

## **Exclusions:**

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE).
- Troubles reported by <u>FairPointConsolidated Communications</u> employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer reported a trouble,
- Switch and Translation troubles from the Retail compare of UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loop, and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loop.

For troubles where a stop clock or limited stop clock is used:

The time period from when the stop clock is initiated until the time when the clock resumes.

## Report Dimensions:

## Company:

Geography:

CLEC Aggregate

State Specific

CLEC Specific

 Consolidated Communications: MR-4-01-5000, MR 4-05-5000

## Sub-Metrics:

MR-4-01	Mean Time To Repair – Total
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)
Numerator	Sum of trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time for Central Office and Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) for product group.
Denominator	Number of Central Office and Loop troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and 05) for product group.

Metric #	Product Title	Pen	formance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-4-01-3200	UNE Specials	Pari	ity with Retail Specials	Eligible	
	•		ty with IXC Feature Group D Trunks2		
MR-4-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Hou	<u>irs</u>	Eligible	
MR-4-02	Mean Time To Repair – Loop Trouble				]
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Denominator)				
Numerator	troubles (Disposition Codes	s 03 and	me minus the trouble receipt date and to 04) for product group.	me for Loop	
Denominator	Number of Loop troubles (I	Dispositio	on Codes 03 and 04) for product group.		
Metric #		rmance S	Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-4-02-2010	Resale Business		Parity with Retail POTS – Business	Eligible •	Formatted Table
MR-4-02-2120	Resale POTS Residence		Parity with Retail POTS - Residence	Eligible	
MR-4-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop		Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-4-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL	Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-4-03	Mean Time To Repair – Ce	entral Off	fice Trouble		]
Metric Type	Average. (Numerator/Den	ominator	)		
Numerator	troubles (Disposition Code	05) for p	minus trouble receipt date and time for roduct group.	Central Office	
Denominator	Number of Central Office tr	roubles (l	Disposition Code 05) for product group.		
Metric #	Product Title		Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-4-03-2010	Resale Business		Parity with Retail POTS – Business	Eligible •	Formatted Table
MR-4-03-2120	Resale POTS Residence		Parity with Retail POTS - Residence	Eligible	
MR-4-03-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop		Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-4-03-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL	Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible	
MR-4-04	% Cleared within 24 Hours	3			1
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Dend	minator	x 100)		
Numerator	Number of troubles, where the trouble clear date and time minus trouble receipt date and time is less than or equal to 24 hours (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.				
Denominator	Number of Central Office a group.	ind Loop	troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04 and	, ,	
Metric #	Product Title		rformance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-4-04-2000	Resale		agnostic comparison to Retail POTS	Diagnostic <b>◆</b>	Formatted Table
MR-4-04-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Re	agnostic comparison to <u>Parity with</u> tail POTS	Diagnostic	
MR-4-04-3200	UNE Specials	Re	agnostic comparison to Parity with tail Specials	Diagnostic	
MR-4-04-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Re	agnostic comparison to Parity with tail POTS	Diagnostic	
MR-4-04-5000	CLEC Trunks		agnostic comparison to Parity wtih IXC ature Group D Trunks	Diagnostic	
MR-4-05	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	s			]
Metric Type			x 100)		
Numerator	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)  Number of trunk troubles OOS, where the trouble clear date and time minus the trouble receipt date and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is greater than two (2) hours for product group.				

Denominator

Number of Total OOS trunk troubles (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) for product group.

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Metric # Product Title Performance S	Standard	Performance Credit Status	
MR-4-05-5000 CLEC Trunks Parity with IXC Trunks≤ 5%	Feature Group D	Eligible	
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MR-4-06 % Out of Service > 4 Hours  Metric Type Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)			_
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Numerator Number of troubles OOS, where the trouble cle and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is			
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Denominator Number of OOS troubles ((Disposition Codes 0	5, 64, and 65) for product g	<u> </u>	
Metric # Product Title Performance S	Standard	Performance Credit Status	
Diagnostic con	nparison to Retail POTS -	Credit Status	_
MR-4-06-2010 Resale Business Business	<del>npanoon to Netall 1 O I 3 -</del>	Diagnostic -	Formatted Tab
	nparison to Retail POTS –	Diagnostic	
MR-4-06-3200 UNE Specials Parity with Ret	ail Specials	Eligible	
	mparison to Parity with IXC	Diagnostic	
Feature Group			
MR-4-07 % Out of Service > 12 Hours			
Metric Type Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)	<u> </u>		
Numerator Number of troubles OOS, where the trouble cle and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is	greater than 12 hours for pr	roduct group.	
Denominator Number of OOS troubles (Disposition Codes 03	3, 04, and 05) for product gr	oup.	
		Performance	
Metric # Product Title Performan	ce Standard	Credit Status	
	Retail POTS – Business	Eligible •	Formatted Ta
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	Retail POTS	Eligible	
	Retail POTS	Eligible	
	comparison to Parity with	Diagnostic	
IXC Feature	re Group D Trunks		
MD 4.00 0/ Out of Comice > 24 Hours			
MR-4-08 % Out of Service > 24 Hours			
Metric Type Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)	an data and the continue t	dele negativa dea	
Numerator Number of troubles OOS, where the trouble cle			
and time (Disposition Codes 03, 04, and 05) is  Denominator Number of OOS troubles (Disposition Codes 0			-
Denominator Number of OOS troubles (Disposition Codes C	o, o+, and oo) for product (	, ,	
Metric # Product Title Performan	ce Standard	Performance	
		Credit Status	
	Retail POTS — Business	Diagnostic◀	Formatted Table
	Retail POTS - Residence	Eligible	_
	Retail POTS	Diagnostic	_
	Retail Specials	Diagnostic	
	Retail POTS  comparison to Parity with	Diagnostic	_
MR-4-08-5000 CLEC Trunks			

## **MR-5 Repeat Troubles**

## Definition:

The MR-5 sub-metrics measure the percent of troubles cleared that have an additional trouble cleared within 30 calendar days for which a network trouble (where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03, 04, or 05) is found.

A found repeat trouble is defined as a network trouble (where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03, 04 or 05) on the same line/circuit/trunk as a previous trouble cleared within 30 calendar days to any Disposition Code other than a misdirected code (e.g., 1236 (dispatch out), 1238 (dispatch in), 1320 (no direction provided)) or a no access code (e.g., 0666, 0941, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1217, 1225, 1233, 1241,1298).

For MR-5-02, a no trouble found repeat trouble is defined as a network trouble (where the first two characters of the Disposition Code are 03, 04 or 05) on the same line/circuit as a previous trouble cleared within 30 calendar days to No Trouble Found (Disposition Codes 1231, 1232 or 1239 or where the first two characters are 07, 08 or 09.)

The identification of a repeat trouble and the scoring (number of days since original report) is measured based on the Cleared Date of the original trouble report to the Cleared Date of the repeat trouble report.

Troubles are reported in the month the trouble ticket is closed.

## Exclusions:

- Disposition codes 0331 and 0332 (CPE),
- Troubles reported by FairPointConsolidated Communications employees in the course of performing preventative maintenance, where no customer reported a trouble,
- Troubles that are reported as installation troubles in the PR-6 (% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 or 7 Days) metric.

## Report Dimensions:

Company:	Geography:	
CLEC Aggregate	<ul> <li>State Specific</li> </ul>	
CLEC Specific	Consolidated Communications: MR-5-01-5000	
Sub-Metrics:		

MR-5-01	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days		
Metric Type	Ratio reported as Percent. (Numer	rator/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of found repeat troubles closed within the calendar month. (denominator of MR-5-02)		
Denominator	Total troubles closed (Disposition C	codes 03, 04 and 05), within the calenda	ar month.
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
MR-5-01-2000	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible
MR-5-01-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible
MR-5-01-3200	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	Eligible
MR-5-01-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	Eligible
MR-5-01-5000	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks≤ 5%	Eligible

MR-5-02 % Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of no trouble found repeat	troubles closed within the calendar mon	ith.	
Denominator	Number of found repeat troubles cle	osed within the calendar month. (numer	ator of MR-5-01)	
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Statu.			
MR-5-02-2000	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS	Diagnostic	
MR-5-02-3112	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS	Diagnostic	
MR-5-02-3200	UNE Specials	Diagnostic Comparison to Parity with Retail Specials	Diagnostic	
MR-5-02-3343	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Diagnostic Comparison to Parity with	Diagnostic	

## NETWORK PERFORMANCE

(NP)

	Function
NP-1	Percent Final Trunk Group Blockage
NP-2	Collocation Performance

## NP-1 Percent Final Trunk Group Blockage

## Definition:

The NP-1 sub-metrics measure the percent of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups (FTGs) carrying traffic originating from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC that exceed a measured blocking threshold of 2%. Trunk groups exceeding a measured 2% blocking threshold are considered blocked and require action to prevent future blocking. Monthly trunk blockage studies are based on a bouncing busy hour. The percentage of originating FTGs exceeding the measured 2% blocking threshold will be reported.

The NP-1 sub-metrics include all one-way FTGs originating from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem provisioned per CLEC request regardless of whether or not the CLEC utilizes the FTG. The NP-1 sub-metrics exclude FTGs that overflow to another trunk group.

## **Exclusions:**

- Trunks with maintenance usage/activity,
- Trunks blocked due to CLEC reasons

(FairPointConsolidated Communications will email the affected CLEC's designated contact of the following situations for blocked trunks. The notification states that FairPointConsolidated Communications identified a blocked trunk group due to CLEC reasons and that the trunk group will be FairPointConsolidated excluded from FairPointConsolidated Communications performance. Communications will make the exclusion automatically, unless the CLEC responds back within two business days from the date the e-mail notification was sent with valid documentation that the information presented by FairPointConsolidated Communications for the trunk group blockage is inaccurate).

- Trunks blocked due to CLEC network failure,
- Trunk groups designated as FTGs that actually overflow to another trunk group,
- Trunks blocked where CLEC has not responded/denied FairPointConsolidated Communications' request for augmentation, or where FairPointConsolidated Communications's request is pending CLEC completion.
- Trunks blocked due to other CLEC trunk network rearrangements

## Report Dimensions:

Company: CLEC Aggregate Geography: State Specific

CLEC Specific

Sub-Metrics:

NP-1-01 % Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold				
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x	100)		
Numerator	Number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold for one (1) month.			
Denominator				
Metric #	ric# Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
NP-1-01-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic	

NP-1-02	NP-1-02 % Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold (No Exclusions)		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold.		
Denominator	Total number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status

NP-1-02-5100 Final Trunk Groups No Standard Diagnostic

NP-1-03 Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold –2 Months				
Metric Type	Data Value			
Data Value	Number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold for two (2) consecutive months.			
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status			
NP-1-03-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic	

NP-1-04 Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold –3 Months			
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Number of dedicated one-way Final Trunk Groups carrying originating traffic from FairPointConsolidated Communications's tandem to a CLEC that exceed a 2% blocking threshold for three (3) consecutive months.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-1-04-5100	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard	Diagnostic

## **NP-2 Collocation Performance**

## Definition:

The NP-2 sub-metrics measure the timeliness of processing collocation applications and provisioning arrangements for physical and virtual collocation arrangement products ordered and provisioned via FairPointConsolidated Communications's state tariffs and virtual collocation arrangement products ordered and provisioned via FairPointConsolidated Communications's federal tariff. Products included are new arrangements and augments to existing arrangements where FairPointConsolidated Communications is required to perform work to add capacity for space, cable termination or DC power. Both state and federal collocation arrangements are provisioned in accordance with the completion intervals listed in the state tariff.

The collocation application date is the date a valid service request is received. A valid service request is a complete and accurate collocation service request that is populated in accordance with the collocation application instructions and includes the collocation application fee, if applicable (refer to URL table in front of this section). Application responses are reported in the month the response is sent.

The collocation completion date is the date FairPointConsolidated Communications advises the CLEC that all work on the collocation arrangement has been completed, the arrangement is suitable for use by the CLEC and the cable assignment information (CFA) necessary to use the facility has been provided to the CLEC.

CLECs shall have 5 business days after completion advisement to inspect a completed arrangement and notify FairPointConsolidated Communications that the arrangement is not suitable for use by the CLEC. Absent CLEC notification within the 5 business day period that an arrangement is not suitable for use, the arrangement will be considered accepted for metric reporting purposes. Should FairPointConsolidated Communications concur that an arrangement is not suitable for use the clock will be restarted effective on the date the CLEC notified FairPointConsolidated Communications, and the measured completion interval will be extended until the date FairPointConsolidated Communications advises the CLEC that all work is completed. Collocation arrangement completions are reported in the month the arrangement is considered accepted.

If a CLEC delays the collocation installation, the collocation due date is extended by the same number of days as the CLEC-caused delay.

FairPointConsolidated Communications and the CLECs may negotiate shorter or longer due date (DD) intervals after FairPointConsolidated Communications completes an initial space assessment and determination of the collocation request. In these cases, the NP-2 % On-time sub-metrics measure whether or not FairPeintConsolidated Communications met the negotiated due date. The negotiated due date is documented on the initial response form. If FairPointConsolidated Communications is not able to provide a due date on the initial response form due to space not being immediately available to accommodate the CLEC request, but space is pending, FairPointConsolidated Communications will confirm the negotiated due date via a subsequent letter to the CLEC, rather than reject the request.

## **Exclusions:**

None.

## **Report Dimensions:**

Company:

Geography: State Specific

**CLEC** Aggregate

**CLEC Specific** 

## Sub-Metrics:

NP-2-01	% On Time Response to Request for Collocation		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denon	minator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of requests for Collocation arrangements where response date and time minus application date and time is less than or equal to 7 business days.		
Denominator	Number of requests for Collocation where response was sent in report period.		
Metric #	Product Title Performance Standard Performance Credit Status		
NP-2-01-6701	Collocation - New ≥ 95% within 7 Business Days Eligible		
NP-2-01-6702	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% within 7 Business Days	Eligible

NP-2-05	% On Time – Physical Colle	ocation		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denor	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Physical Colloca	Number of Physical Collocation arrangements completed on or before DD.		
Denominator	Number of Physical Colloca	Number of Physical Collocation arrangements completed in report month.		
Metric #	Droduct Litlo Dortormanco Standard		Performance Credit Status	
NP-2-05-6701	Collocation - New ≥ 95% on or before DD Eligible			
NP-2-05-6702	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	Eligible	

NP-2-06	% On Time – Virtual Collocation			
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerator/Denor	ninator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Virtual Collocation	Number of Virtual Collocation arrangements completed on or before DD.		
Denominator	Number of Virtual Collocation	Number of Virtual Collocation arrangements completed in report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
NP-2-06-6701	Collocation - New ≥ 95% on or before DD Eligible			
NP-2-06-6702	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	Eligible	

NP-2-07 Total Delay Days – Physical Collocation			
Metric Type	Data Value		
Data Value	Sum of completion date minus DD counted in business days for all missed Physical Collocation arrangements.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
NP-2-07-6701	Collocation - New	0 (zero) Days	Eligible
NP-2-07-6702	Collocation - Augment	0 (zero) Days	Eligible

NP-2-08	Total Delay Days – Virtual Collocation			
Metric Type	Data Value	Data Value		
Data Value	Sum of completion date minus DD counted in business days for missed Virtual Collocation arrangements.			
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
NP-2-08-6701	Collocation - New	0 (zero) Days	Eligible	
NP-2-08-6702	Collocation - Augment	0 (zero) Days	Eligible	

## BILLING PERFORMANCE

(BI)

## Function

BI-1	Timeliness of Daily Usage Feed
BI-2	Timeliness of Carrier Bill
BI-3	Billing Accuracy and Claims Processing
BI-9	Billing Completeness

Function:	<b>←</b>	Formatted Table
BI-1 Timeliness of Daily	Usage Feed	
Definition:		
The BI-1 metric measures the percentage of usage records or	the Daily Usage Feed (DUF) sent to the CLEC	
within four (4) calendar days of message creation. The DUF is		
designated portal or transmitted to the CLEC.		
Exclusions:		
• None.		
Report Dimensions:		
Company:	Geography:	
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific	
CLEC Specific	·	
Sub-Metric:		

-	BI-1-02 %	DUF in 4 Calendar Days	
		Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator		e records on daily usage feed processed during date and call date is four (4) days or less.	month, where the difference
Denominator	Number of Usage	e Records on DUF processed during month.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-1-02-2000	Resale	≥ 95%	Diagnostic

Function:				
BI-2 Timeliness of C	LEC Bill			
Definition:				
The BI-2 sub-metric measures the percent of Resale/UNE bills the bill date specified on the CLEC bill. Resale/UNE I Communications designated portal (in bdt format) or distributed based on the CLEC Profile.	oills are posted to the FairPointConsolidated			
Exclusions:				
None.				
Report Dimensions:				
Company:	Geography:			
CLEC Aggregate	State Specific			
CLEC Specific				
Sub-Metric:				

BI-2-01	Timeliness of CLEC	Bill		
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerato	Percent. (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of Resale/U	Number of Resale/UNE bills distributed to CLEC within 10 business days of bill date.		
Denominator	Number of CLEC Re	esale/UNE Bills distributed.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status	
BI-2-01- 1000 <u>3000</u>	Resale & UNE	≥ 98% within 10 Business Days	Diagnostic	

#### Function:

#### BI-3 Billing Accuracy & Claims Processing

#### Definition:

The BI-3 sub-metrics measure the timeliness of FairPointConsolidated Communications's acknowledgement and resolution of CLEC billing claims. These sub-metrics measure claims pertaining to the CLEC's local Resale/UNE bill of record. CLEC claims submitted within 60 calendar days of the bill date are included.

Business hours for receipt of billing claims and transmission of responses are Monday through Friday, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, excluding FairPointConsolidated Communications observed holidays. CLEC claims for billing errors received by FairPointConsolidated Communications, or FairPointConsolidated Communications responses sent to CLECs, outside of these business hours, are considered received/sent at 8:00 AM on the next business day. Only claims uploaded directly by a CLEC to FairPointConsolidated Communications's wholesale claim processing system or submitted via e-mail to FairPointConsolidated Communications's wholesale bill claim center are included in the BI-3 metric calculations.

#### Acknowledgment

- Acknowledgement is defined as the transmission of an email message acknowledging receipt of the
  claim with required information, or informing the CLEC that the claim cannot be processed, sent to the
  e-mail address from which the CLEC sent the claim or the e-mail address specified by the CLEC. The
  message will contain both the FairPointConsolidated Communications claim number and the associated
  CLEC claim number (when provided by the CLEC).
- Day of receipt shall be considered Day zero (0).
   Date/time the Acknowledgement message is sent shall be considered the Acknowledgement time of record.

#### Resolution

- A claim is considered "resolved" when FairPointConsolidated Communications transmits an e-mail to
  the e-mail address from which the CLEC sent the claim or the e-mail address specified by the CLEC
  that either: 1) denies the claim, 2) grants the claim or 3) denies the claim in part and grants the claim in
  part.
- Day of acknowledgement of a billing claim shall be considered Day "0."
- Day claim resolution is transmitted to the CLEC shall be considered the resolution date. If the 28th
  calendar day falls on a weekend or <u>FairPointConsolidated Communications</u> Holiday, claim resolution
  will be considered timely if returned on the next business day.

#### Scope

 For each Resale/UNE master billing account number (BAN), each bill line/TN/circuit item identified by the CLEC will count as a separate claim. There is no limitation on the number of claims by BAN.

**Note:** Sub-metric BI-3-08 is reported on a two (2) month delayed basis (e.g., if report month is March, data month is January).

#### Exclusions:

- CLEC claims for PAP/WPP performance credits,
- Claims not uploaded or not submitted via email to FairPointConsolidated Communications's wholesale billing claims center.

#### Report Dimensions:

#### Company:

Geography:

State Specific

CLEC Aggregate

CLEC Aggregate

CLEC Specific

#### Sub-Metrics:

BI-3-04	% CLEC Billing Clai	ms Acknowledged within 2 Business Days of Recei	pt
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of billing claims acknowledged within two business days of receipt.		
Denominator	or Total number of billing claims acknowledged in report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status

BI-3-04-1000 Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	Eligible	
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BI-3-05	% CLEC Billing Cla	ims Resolved within 28 Calendar Days After Acknow	vledgement
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator	r/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of billing clause after acknowledgen	aims where the resolution <u>claim</u> was resolved within 28 nent.	calendar days
Denominator	Total number of billing claims where the resolution was transmitted to the CLECresolved in the report month.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-3-05-1000	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	Eligible

BI-3-07	% Full or Partial De	nials	
Metric Type	Percent (Numerator/Denominator x 100)		
Numerator	Number of <u>billing</u> claims in report month for which the <u>FairPointConsolidated</u> Communications resolution is a full or partial denial.		
Denominator	Total number of billi	ng claims resolved in report month.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-3-07- 10003000	Resale & UNE	No Standard	Diagnostic

BI-3-08	% CLEC Billing Cla	im Adjustments Appearing on the Bill within 45 Cal	endar Days
Metric Type	Percent (Numerato	r/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Number of resolved billing claims in the data month where the adjustment has appeared on a bill in 45 or less days from the resolution date.		
Denominator	Total number of resolved billing claims in the data month where adjustment is granted.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-3-08-1000	Resale & UNE	≥ 97.5%	Eligible

# Function: BI-9 Billing Completeness Definition: The BI-9 metric captures the completeness of the absolute value of the FairPointConsolidated Communications debit and credit charges shown on the CLEC Resale/UNE bill of record (issued during the reporting month.)

Billing adjustments (i.e. rate changes, rate restructures) as a result of a regulatory order (including but not limited to retroactive regulatory orders) are considered timely if billed within twelve billing cycles from the date the order is effective, unless otherwise ordered.

# **Exclusions:**

- PAP/WPP Performance Credits,
- Charges attributable to fraud,
- Charges delayed by a third party carrier (e.g., meet point billing),
- · Account charges written-off for bill closure,

Balance transfers.	
Report Dimensions:	
Company:	Geography:  • FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications
	State Specific

#### Sub-Metric:

BI-9-01	% Billing Completer	ness in 12 Billing Cycles	
Metric Type	Percent. (Numerat	or/Denominator x 100)	
Numerator	Absolute value of debit and credit charges shown on the current bill that were incurred in the last twelve billing cycles.		
Denominator	Absolute value of debit and credit charges shown on the current bill.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
BI-9-01- 1000 <u>3000</u>	Resale & UNE	≥ 96%	Eligible

# OPERATOR SERVICES & DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE (OD)

Function
OD-1 Operator Services/Directory Assistance — Speed of Answer

Function:	<b>←</b>	Formatted Table
OD-1 Operator Services - Sp	peed of Answer	
Definition:		
The OD-1 sub-metrics measure the average answer times of	Operator Services - Call Completion calls and	
Operator Services - Directory Assistance calls. Answer times	Operator Services - Directory Assistance calls. Answer times are reported in seconds.	
Exclusions:		
• None.		
Report Dimensions:		
Company:	Geography:	
CLEC Aggregate	FairPoint NNE	
Sub-Metrics:		

OD-1-01 Average Speed of Answer – Call Completion				
Metric Type	Average. (Numerate	or/Denominator)		
Numerator	merator Sum of call answer time from the time the calls enter the queue for an operator to the time the calls are answered by an operator.			
<del>Denominator</del>	Number of Calls Ans	wered.		
Metric #	Product Title	Performance-Standard	Performance Credit-Status	
OD-1-01-1021	Operator Services	Diagnostic comparison to retail. No Stat. Score	Diagnostic	

	OD-1-02 Avera	ge Speed of Answer – Directory Assistance	
Metric Type	Average. (Numerate	or/Denominator)	
Numerator Sum of call answer time from the time the calls enter the queue for an operator to the time the calls are answered by an operator.			
<del>Denominator</del>	Number of Calls Ans	swered.	
Metric #	Product Title	Performance Standard	Performance Credit Status
OD-1-02-1021	Operator Services	Diagnostic comparison to retail. No Stat. Score	Diagnostic

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# **APPENDIX 1**

Statistical Methodology for Parity Measures

#### Appendix 1

#### Statistical Metrics Evaluation Procedures for Parity Measures

Statistical evaluation is used here as a tool to assess whether FairPoint\_NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale service performance to CLECs is at least equal in quality to the service performance FairPointConsolidated Communications (ILEC) provides to itself (i.e., parity). Performance measures that have a parity standard are metrics where both FairPointConsolidated Communications's local wholesale service (CLEC) and FairPointConsolidated Communications's retail service (ILEC) performance are reported. 

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#### A. Statistical Framework

The statistical tests of the null hypothesis of parity against the alternative hypothesis of non-parity defined in this Appendix use ILEC and CLEC observational data. The ILEC and CLEC observations for each month are treated as random samples drawn from operational processes that run over multiple months. The null hypothesis is that the CLEC performance is at least equal to or better than the ILEC performance.

Statistical tests should be performed under the following conditions.

- 1) The data are reasonably free of measurement/reporting error.
- 2) The ILEC to CLEC comparisons are reasonably like to like.
- 3) The minimum sample size requirement for statistical testing is met. (addressed in Section B)
- 4) The observations are independent. (addressed in Section D)

These conditions are presumed to be met until contrary evidence indicates otherwise.

#### B. Sample Size Requirements

The assumptions that underlie the statistical models of the WPP include the requirement that the two groups of data are comparable. With larger sample sizes, random factors affecting measured performance are more likely to average out. With smaller sample sizes, the characteristics of the sample may not reasonably represent those of the population. Statistical analysis is performed only if the sample size is sufficiently large to minimize the violations of the assumptions underlying the statistical model.

The following sample size requirements are used in this Plan when evaluating performance for parity metrics. The statistical tests defined in this Appendix are performed under the following conditions:

If there are only 6 of one group (ILEC or CLEC), the other must be at least 30. If there are only 7 of one, the other must be at least 18.

Section 251(c)(2)(C) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 states that facilities should be provided to CLECs on a basis "that is at least equal in quality to that provided by the local exchange carrier to itself." Paragraph 3 of Appendix B of FCC Memorandum Opinion and Order in CC Docket No. 99-295 In the Matter of Application by Bell Atlantic New York for Authorization Under Section 271 of the Communications Act To Provide In-Region, InterLATA Service in the State of New York, adopted on December 21, 1999 (FCC 99-404) states, "Statistical tests can be used as a tool in determining whether a difference in the measured values of two metrics means that the metrics probably measure two different processes, or instead that the two measurements are likely to have been produced by the same process."

If there are only 8 of one, the other must be at least 14.

If there are only 9 of one, the other must be at least 12.

Any sample of at least 10 of one and at least 10 of the other is to be used for statistical evaluation.

When a parity metric comparison does not meet the above sample size criteria, a statistical score (Z score equivalent) will not be reported, but rather an "SS" (for Small Sample) will be recorded in the statistical score column; however, the means (or proportions), number of observations and standard deviations (for means only) will be reported.

Exceptions: The above small sample requirements do not apply to parity metrics excluded from the application of small sample rules (as identified in Appendix 4) and parity metrics with small sample rule "3 months Roll Up" (as identified in Appendix 4).

#### C. Statistical Testing Procedures

Parity metric measurements that meet the sample size criteria in Section B will be evaluated according to the statistical test procedures defined below. These procedures test the null hypothesis that FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale performance is at parity (at least equal to or better than FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's retail performance) against the alternative hypothesis of no parity (that FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's wholesale performance is worse than FairPoint NNEConsolidated Communications's retail performance.)

Exception: For parity metrics for which the small sample rules do not apply (as identified in Appendix 4), if the sample size is insufficient for statistical testing but there is activity in retail ("ILEC activity"), performance will be evaluated based on a straight (not involving statistical procedures) comparison to retail performance to determine met or miss. In addition, for parity metrics identified as having small sample rule "3 months Roll Up" in Appendix 4, the following procedures apply:

- for each of the metrics with parity standards identified as having small sample rule "3 months Roll
  Up," FairPoint will combine and report the numerator values and the denominator values as the
  sum of the three states for the ILEC and CLEC, respectively.
- If, after combining the values from the three states, there is insufficient sample size for statistical
  testing (ILEC or CLEC) but there is ILEC and CLEC activity, CLEC performance will be determined
  based on a straight comparison to ILEC performance to determine whether CLEC performance is
  a met or miss.
- If there is CLEC activity but no ILEC activity after combining the values from the three states, FairPoint will roll up the results for three months (i.e., 3 states across 3 months – the current month and the two previous months) and then do a straight comparison to ILEC performance to determine CLEC met or miss performance.
- If there is still no ILEC activity after rolling up results over the three states and three months, CLEC results will be reported as "SS".

<u>C.1. Statistical Testing for the Metrics of Averages</u> (i.e., metrics of intervals, such as mean time to repair or average delay days):

The one-tailed permutation test is used to evaluate performance on the Average parity metrics – metrics for which performance is measured as an "average" (also referred to here as a "mean.") Its general logic is as follows:

Combine the ILEC and CLEC observations into one group, where the total number of observations is  $n_{ilec+}$   $n_{clec}$ . Take a sufficiently large number of random samples of size  $n_{clec}$  (e.g., 500,000). Record the mean of each re-sample of size  $n_{clec}$ . Sort the re-sampled means from best to worst (left to right) and compare where on the distribution of re-sampled means the original CLEC mean is located. If 5% or less of the

means lie to the right of the reported CLEC mean, then reject the null hypothesis that the original CLEC sample and the original ILEC sample came from the same population.

If the null hypothesis is correct, a permutation test yields a probability value (p value) representing the probability that the difference (or larger) in the ILEC and CLEC sample means is due to random variation

Permutation test's *p values* are transformed into "Z score equivalents." These "Z score equivalents" refer to the standard normal Z score that has the same probability as the p-values from the permutation test. Specifically, this statistical score equivalent refers to the inverse of the standard normal cumulative distribution associated with the probability of seeing the reported CLEC mean, or worse, in the distribution of re-sampled permutation test means. A Z score of less than or equal to -1.645 occurs at most 5% of the time under the null hypothesis that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean. A Z score greater than -1.645 (p-value greater than 5%) supports the belief that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean. For reporting purposes, Z score equivalents equal to or greater than 5.0000 are displayed on monthly reports as 5.0000. Similarly, values for Z statistics equal to or less than -5.0000 are displayed as -5.0000.

The following steps are involved in the permutation test procedure:

- 1. Compute and store the mean for the original CLEC data set.
- Combine the ILEC and CLEC data to form one data set.
- Draw a random sample without replacement of size n<sub>clec</sub> (sample size of original CLEC data) from the combined data set.
  - a) Compute the test statistic (re-sampled CLEC mean).
  - b) Store the new value of test statistic for comparison with the value obtained from the original observations.
  - c) Recombine the data set.
- Repeat Step 3 enough times such that if the test were re-run many times the results would not vary at or before the fourth decimal place of the reported Z score equivalent (e.g., draw 500,000 resamples per Step 3).
- Sort the CLEC means created and stored in Step 3 and Step 4 in ascending order (CLEC means from best to worst).
- Determine where the original CLEC sample mean is located relative to the collection of re-sampled CLEC sample means. Specifically, compute the percentile of the original CLEC sample mean.
- 7. Reject the null hypothesis if the percentile of the test statistic (original CLEC mean) for the observations is less than .05 (5%). That is, if 95% or more of the re-sampled CLEC means are better than the original CLEC sample mean, then reject the null hypothesis that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean. Otherwise, the data support the belief that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the ILEC mean.
- 8. Generate the WMP Report "Z Score Equivalent," known in this document as the standard normal Z score that has the same percentile as the test statistic.

#### C.2. Statistical Testing for Metrics of Percentages:

A hypergeometric distribution based procedure (a.k.a., Fisher's Exact test) is used to evaluate performance for percentage metrics (also referred to as "counted" metrics since the performance is measured in terms of counts of success and failure). Using sample data, the hypergeometric distribution estimates the probability (*p value*) of seeing **at least** the number of failures found in the CLEC sample. In turn, this probability is converted to a Z score equivalent using the inverse of the standard normal cumulative distribution.

The hypergeometric distribution is as follows:

$$p \, value = 1 - \left\{ \sum_{i = \max(0, \{[n_{ilec} p_{ilec} + n_{clec} p_{elec}] + [n_{elec}] + [n_{elec} p_{elec}] + [n_{elec} p_{elec}]} \frac{\left( [n_{elec} p_{elec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right) \left( [n_{elec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{elec} p_{elec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \frac{\left( [n_{elec} p_{elec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right) \left( [n_{elec} + n_{ilec}] - [n_{elec} p_{elec} + n_{ilec} p_{ilec}] \right)}{i} \right\}$$

Where:

p value = the probability that the difference in the ILEC and CLEC sample proportions could have arisen from random variation, assuming the null hypothesis

 $n_{clec}$  and  $n_{ilec}$  = the CLEC and ILEC sample sizes (i.e., number of failures + number of successes)

 $p_{clec}$  and  $p_{ilec}$  = the proportions of CLEC and ILEC failed performance.

As an example, a percentage metric measured at 10% translates to a 0.10 proportion = number of failures / (number of failures + number of successes)

Either of the following two equations can be used to implement a hypergeometric distribution-based procedure:

The probability of observing **exactly**  $f_{clec}$  failures is given by:

$$\Pr(i = f_{clec}) = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} (f_{clec} + f_{ilec}) \\ f_{clec} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (n_{clec} + n_{ilec}) - (f_{clec} + f_{ilec}) \\ n_{clec} - f_{clec} \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} (n_{clec} + n_{ilec}) \\ n_{clec} \end{pmatrix}}$$

Where:

 $f_{clec}$  = CLEC failures in the sample (=  $n_{clec}$   $p_{clec}$ )  $f_{ilec}$  = ILEC failures in the sample (=  $n_{ilec}$   $p_{ilec}$ ) nclec= size of the CLEC sample

nilec = size of the ILEC sample

Alternatively, the probability of observing **exactly**  $f_{clec}$  failures is given by:

$$\Pr(i = f_{clec}) = \frac{n_{clec}! n_{ilec}! f_{total}! s_{total}!}{(n_{clec} + n_{ilec})! f_{clec}! (n_{clec} - f_{clec})! (f_{total} - f_{clec})! (n_{ilec} - f_{total} + f_{clec})!}$$

Where:

 $s_{clec}$  = the number of CLEC successes in the sample (=  $n_{clec}$  (1- $p_{clec}$ ))  $s_{ilec}$  = the number of ILEC successes in the sample (=  $n_{ilec}$  (1- $p_{ilec}$ ))  $f_{total} \equiv f_{clec} + f_{ilec}$ Stotal ≡ Sclec + Silec

The probability of observing  $f_{clec}$  or more failures  $[Pr(i \ge f_{clec})]$  is calculated according to the following

# steps:

- 1. Calculate the probability of observing exactly  $f_{clec}$  using either of the equations above.
- 2. Calculate the probability of observing all more extreme frequencies than  $i = f_{clec}$ , conditional on the
  - a.total number of successes (stotal),
  - b.total number of failures (ftotal),
  - c. total number of CLEC observations (nclec), and the
  - d.total number of ILEC observations (*nilec*) remaining fixed.
- 3. Sum up all of the probabilities for Pr( i≥ f<sub>clec</sub> to calculate the probability of observing the number of failures equal to or greater than f<sub>clec</sub>).
- 4. If that value is less than or equal to 0.05, then the null hypothesis of parity is rejected.
- Convert the probability Pr( i≥ f<sub>clec</sub> ) into the Z score by using standard normal cumulative distribution.

# **APPENDIX 2**

Small Sample Size Methodology for Benchmark Measures

#### Appendix 2

# Sample Size Scoring Procedures for Percentage Metrics with Benchmark Standards

#### A. Allowable Misses:

For percent metrics with benchmark standards, it is possible to have small sample sizes, such that just a single missed transaction within a report period can cause the measure to miss its benchmark. The plan recognizes that without an allowance for a single miss, the plan would effectively require perfection to avoid bill credits, which would be above the designated benchmark for the measure. Thus a "Met" will be assigned in any single miss situations as specified by the criteria below.

For percent metrics where higher performance is better ("HIB"), e.g., 95% on-time, or a 0.95 standard: - for any HIB counted variable metric where n <  $\{1/[1-standard]\}$ , (for example, for a 95% standard, n < (1/[1-0.95] or n < 20)

0 misses is a Met performance score 1 miss is a Met performance score more than 1 miss is a Miss performance score

For percent metrics where lower performance is better ("LIB"), e.g., 5% missed appts, or a 0.05 standard:

- for any LIB counted variable metric where n <  $\{1/[standard]\}$ , (for example, for a 5% standard, n < (1/0.05) or n < 20)

0 misses is a Met performance score 1 miss is a Met performance score more than 1 miss is a Miss performance score

Exception 1: PR-4-15-5000, FairPoint shall combine and report the CLEC volumes as a three state (ME, NH & VT) total. If, after combining the three states, there is insufficient sample size FairPoint will roll up the results for three months (i.e., 3 states across 3 months — the current month and the two previous months) and if there is CLEC activity, do a straight comparison to the benchmark to determine met or miss performance.

<u>Exception 2:</u> A number of benchmark metrics (as specified in Appendix4) are excluded from the above described small sample size rules. For these metrics, 1 miss is a Miss performance score.

Examples of what should be reported in the performance scores column for measures with different benchmark standards are shown in the tables below for different combinations of misses and sample sizes:

#### Metrics with a ≥ 95% or a ≤ 5% Standard:

#### Appendix 2 - Table 1

	Number of Misses						
Sample Size	0	0 1 2 3 or more					
1	Met	Met	NA	NA			
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA			
3 to 19	Met	Met	Miss	Miss			

PO-1-08: (≤ 0.33% Standard)

	Number of Misses						
Sample Size	0	0 1 2 3 or more					
1	Met	Met	NA	NA			
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA			
3 to 302	Met	Met	Miss	Miss			

<u>PR-6-02</u>: (≤ 2% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 3

	Number of Misses							
Sample Size	0	0 1 2 3 or more						
1	Met	Met	NA	NA				
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA				
3 to 49	Met	Met	Miss	Miss				

<u>BI-3-08</u>: (≥ 97.5% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 4

	Number of Misses						
Sample Size	0 1 2 3 or mor						
1	Met	Met	NA	NA			
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA			
3 to 39	Met	Met	Miss	Miss			

<u>OR-4-17</u>: (≥ 95.5% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 5

	Number of Misses						
Sample Size	0 1 2 3 or mor						
1	Met	Met	NA	NA			
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA			
3 to 21	Met	Met	Miss	Miss			

BI-9-10003000: (≥ 96% Standard)

Appendix 2 – Table 6

	Number of Misses						
Sample Size	0 1 2 3 or more						
1	Met	Met	NA	NA			
2	Met	Met	Miss	NA			
3 to 24	Met	Met	Miss	Miss			

# **APPENDIX 3**

**Projects Requiring Special Handling** 

#### Appendix 3

#### **Projects Requiring Special Handling**

A CLEC may request or FairPointConsolidated Communications may recommend special handling of non-standard or large-volume orders, or orders for government, hospital, emergency agencies or other sensitive customers, that require dedicated resources and detailed coordination between FairPointConsolidated Communications and the CLEC. This special handling and coordination enables FairPointConsolidated Communications and a CLEC to cooperatively plan and manage the ordering and provisioning of such orders. Business-to-business procedures for designating projects for special handling may be found on FairPointConsolidated Communications's wholesale website at: <a href="http://www.fairpointconsolidated.com/document/Special%20Project%20Guidelines%2001-11-2012">http://www.fairpointconsolidated.com/document/Special%20Project%20Guidelines%2001-11-2012</a> tcm12-16478.pdf.

Projects subject to special handling are designated as a "special project." The Purchase Order Numbers (PONs) associated with the special project are referred to as "special project PONs."

Upon agreement of FairPointConsolidated Communications and the CLEC that the work will be handled as a special project, FairPointConsolidated Communications will provide the CLEC a waiver request template. The CLEC shall complete and return the written waiver to FairPointConsolidated Communications, specifying, among other things, the special project PONs or unique PON identifier, project start and end dates, ACNA, state, and the metrics from which the special project PONs will be excluded.

FairPointConsolidated Communications will exclude special project PONs from the metrics shown in Table A. Table B lists other metrics that may be excluded when circumstances warrant. FairPointConsolidated Communications will alert the CLEC of impacted Table B metrics as soon as possible in the project planning process.

#### TABLE A

Metric #	Metric Name	Reason for exclusion
OR-1 except for OR-1-02	Order Confirmation Timeliness	Special project orders require extra time and resources to manually coordinate order activity, process orders, and negotiate due dates.
OR-2 except for OR-2-02	Reject Timeliness	Special project orders require extra time and resources to manually coordinate order activity, process orders, and negotiate due dates.
PR-1	Average Interval Offered	Special project orders have non-standard due-date intervals.
PR-3	Percent of Orders Completed within Specified number of Bus. Days	Special project orders have non-standard due-date intervals.
PR-4-16	% Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time	Special project orders for directory listings do not generate individual directory listing orders in M6.

#### TABLE B

Metric #	Metric Name	Reason for exclusion
OR-4	Timeliness of Completion Notification	If the unique circumstances of the special project or account will cause the completion notifications to be delayed the orders will be excluded from relevant OR-4 metrics.
OR-5	Percent Flow-through LSRC	Special project orders for products that are designed to flow-through, that fall out for special handling, will be excluded.
PR-6-02	Percent Installation Troubles Reported within 7 Days	Special project hot cut orders will be excluded when cooperative testing will not occur.

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Should FairPeintConsolidated Communications and the CLEC not agree upon the terms of the special project, including the metrics to be excluded, the project will not receive special handling and normal business practices will be followed.

# **APPENDIX 4**

**Metrics Subject to Performance Credits** 

Appendix 4:

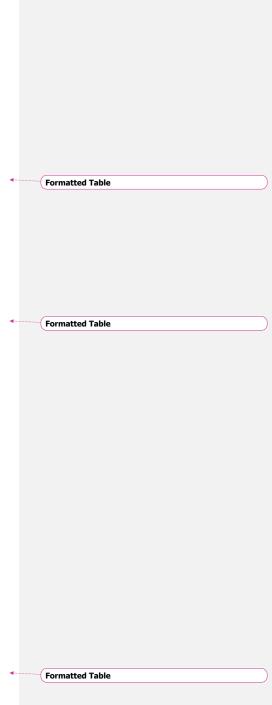
Metrics subject to Performance Credits

			Perform ance	Perfo rm- ance Credi t	Applica tion of small sample	Rate Per Qualifi	Escalat ion Method
Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Standar d	Meth od	size rule	ed Miss	(Note 2)
PO-1-01- 6040	Average Response Time - CSR	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	A	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-01- 6050	Average Response Time - CSR	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	A	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-03- 6040	Average Response Time - Address Validation	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	A	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-03- 6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI	≤7.5 Seconds	A	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-06- 6040	Average Response Time - Mech. Loop Qualification	XML	≤ 4.5 Seconds	A	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-06- 6050	Average Response Time - Mech. Loop Qualification	WEB GUI	≤ 6.5 Seconds	A	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-08- 6040	% Timeouts	XML	≤ 0.33%	B (NOT E-1)	No <u>Yes</u> Append ix 2	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-1-08- 6050	% Timeouts	WEB GUI	≤ 0.33%	B (NOT E-1)	No <u>Yes</u> Append ix 2	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
PO-2-02- 6000	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	VFO	≥ 99.5%	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-4-01- 6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notices (types 3, 4 and 5)	≥ 95%	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-4-01- 6671	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notices (types 1 and 2)	≥ 95%	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1

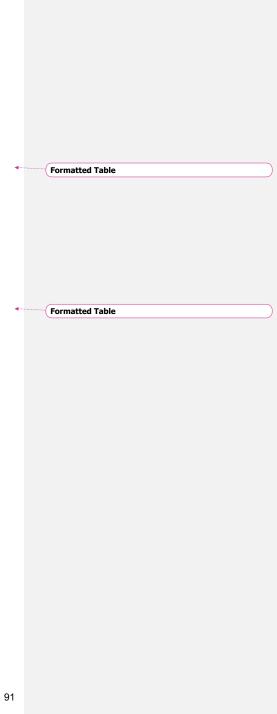
Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Perform ance Standar d	Perfo rm- ance Credi t Meth	Applica tion of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualifi ed Miss	Escalat ion Method (Note 2)
PO-4-03- 6600	Change Management Notices - Delay ≥ 8 Days	Change Notices all types	0 (zero) Notices ≥ 8 Days	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-6-01- 6000	Software Validation	VFO	≤ 5% Failed Transact ions	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7-01- 6000	% Production Software Referrals Resolved On Time	VFO	≥ 95% within 48 Hours/1 0 Busines s Days	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7-02- 6000	Delay Hours Production Software Resolution - Change - Transactions Failed - No Workaround	VFO	0 (zero) producti on resolutio n changes > 48 Hours	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7-03- 6000	Delay Days Production Software Resolution - Change - Transactions Failed - With Workaround	VFO	0 (zero) producti on resolutio n changes > 10 Busines s Days	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-7-04- 6000	Delay Hours - Failed/Rejected Test Deck Transactions - Transactions Failed - No Workaround	VFO	0 (zero) failed/rej ected test deck transacti ons > 48 Hours	М	No	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	1
PO-8-01- 6100	% On Time - Manual Loop Qualification	Manual Loop Qual Request	≥ 95% within 48 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$40.0 0	1
OR-1-02- 2000	% On Time LSRC - Flow-Through	Resale	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	e	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	4

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Metric#	Metric Title	Product	Perform ance Standar d	Perfo rm- ance Credi t Meth od	Applica tion of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualifi ed Miss	Escalat ion Method (Note 2)
OR-1-02- 3332	% On Time LSRC - Flow-Through	UNE 2- Wire Loops/LNP	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
<del>OR-1-04-</del> <del>2000</del>	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	Resale	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	C	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	4
OR-1-04- 3331311 2	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
OR-1-04- 3343	% On Time LSRC - No Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
<del>OR-1-06-</del> <del>2000</del>	% On Time LSRC/ASRC – Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	Resale	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	E	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	4
OR-1-06- 3200	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Busines s Days	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56.0 0	1
OR-1-06- 3331311 2	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28. 00	1
OR-1-06- 3343	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28. 00	1
OR-1-12- 5020	% On Time ASRC	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecaste d)	≥ 95% within 10 Busines s Days	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56. 00	1
OR-1-12- 5030	% On Time ASRC	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecast ed, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiat ed Interval	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56.0 0	1
OR-1-13- 5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95% On or Before DLRD	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56.0 0	1
OR-2-02- 2000	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow- Through)	Resale	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	C	<del>Yes –</del> Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	4

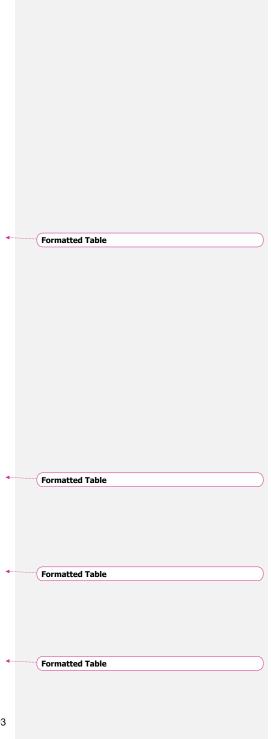


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OR-2-02- 3332	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Loops/LNP	≥ 95% within 2 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
<del>OR-2-04-</del> <del>2000</del>	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	Resale	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	E	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	4
OR-2-04- 3331311 2	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
OR-2-04- 3343	% On Time LSR Reject - No Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 24 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
<del>OR-2-06-</del> <del>2000</del>	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	Resale	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	e	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	4
OR-2-06- 3200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE Specials	≥ 95% within 5 Busines s Days	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56.0 0	1
OR-2-06- 3331311 2	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop/LNP	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
OR-2-06- 3343	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Non-Flow- Through)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95% within 72 Hours	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
OR-2-12- 5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecaste d)	≥ 95% within 7 Busines s Days	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56.0 0	1
OR-4-16- 1000300 0	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers Sent within One Business Day	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
OR-4-17- 1000300 0	% Billing Completion Notifiers Sent On Time	Resale & UNE	≥ 95.5% within 2 or 4 Busines s Days of Provisio ning Completi	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1

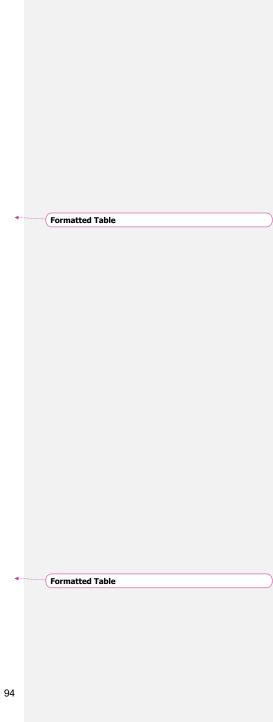


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<del>OR-5-03-</del> <del>2000</del>	% Flow-Through Achieved	Resale	≥ 95%	e	<del>Yes –</del> <del>Append</del> ix 2	\$35.0 0	4
OR-5-03- 3112	% Flow-Through Achieved	UNE 2- wire Analog Loop	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$35.0 0	1
OR-5-03- 3121	% Flow-Through Achieved	Directory Listing & LNP	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$35.0 0	1
OR-6-01- 1001333 2	% Service Order Accuracy	Resale & UNE 2-Wire Loops	≥ 95% without Errors	Н	Yes – Append ix 2	\$56.0 0	1
<del>OR-6-03-</del> <del>2000</del>	% Resent LSRC	Resale	≤ 5% due to Errors	B	<del>Yes –</del> <del>Append</del> ix 2	\$28.0 0	4
OR-6-03- 3332	% Resent LSRC	UNE 2- Wire Loops/LNP	≤ 5% due to Errors	В	Yes – Append ix 2	\$28.0 0	1
OR-6-04- 1040	% Accuracy - Directo	ory Listing	Directory L	istings		without rors	Н
OR-11- 01-2000	% On Time Resale F Notifications	Provider	Resale			within 2 ss Days	e
PR-3-02- 2000	% Completed in 4 Do Dispatch (1 to 5 Line		Resale			ith Retail OTS	E
PR-3-02- 3113	% Completed in 4 Days – No Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS - New	E	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
<del>PR-3-07-</del> 2000	% Completed in 4 Days – Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	H	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-3-07- 3113	% Completed in 4 Days – Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS - New	E	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-3-10- 3343	% Completed in 6 Days (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$60.0 0	2
PR-4-01-	% Missed Due	UNE DS1	Parity	D	Yes -	\$126.	2

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Perform ance Standar d	Perfo rm- ance Credi t Meth	Applica tion of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualifi ed Miss	Escalat ion Method (Note 2)
3211	Date		with Retail DS1		Append ix 1	00	
PR-4-01- 3213	% Missed Due Date	UNE DS3	Parity with Retail DS3≤ 5%	D	3 month roll upYes - Append ix 2	\$280. 00	2
PR-4-02- 2000	Average Delay Days	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Ę	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-4-02- 3112	Average Delay Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-4-02- 3200	Average Delay Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$150. 00	2
PR-4-02- 3343	Average Delay Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-4-02- 5000	Average Delay Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks5 Days	F	3 month Roll UpNo	\$150. 00	2
PR-4-04- 2000	% Missed Due Date - Dispatch	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Đ	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-4-04- 3113	% Missed Due Date - Dispatch	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS - New	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60. 00	2
PR-4-05- 2000	% Missed Due Date - No Dispatch	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Đ	Yes – Append ix 1	<del>\$60.</del> 00	2
PR-4-05- 3113	% Missed Due Date - No Dispatch	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS- New	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-4-07- 3540	% On Time Performance – LNP Only	UNE LNP	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$35.0 0	2
PR-4-14- 3343	% Met Due Date	UNE 2- Wire	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append	\$60.0 0	2



Metric #	Metric Title	Product Digital &	Perform ance Standar d	Perfo rm- ance Credi t Meth od	Applica tion of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualifi ed Miss	Escalat ion Method (Note 2)
		xDSL Loops					
PR-4-15- 5000	% Met Due Date - Trunks	CLEC Trunks	≥ 95%	С	3 month Roll UpYes = Append ix 2	\$150. 00	2
PR-4-16- 1040	% Directory Data Base Updates Completed On Time	Directory Listings	≥ 95% within 1 Busines s Day	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$23.0 0	2
PR-6-01- 2000	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Đ	Yes— Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-6-01- 3113	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - New	Parity with Retail POTS - Dispatch ed	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-6-01- 3200	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$150. 00	2
PR-6-01- 3343	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS - Dispatch ed	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-6-01- 5000	% Installation Troubles Reported within 30 Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks≤ 5%	D	3 month Roll UpYes = Append ix 2	\$150. 00	2
PR-6-02- 3520	% Installation Troubles Reported within 7 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≤ 2%	В	Yes – Append ix 2	\$60.0 0	2
PR-8-01- 2000	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	Đ	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-8-01- 3112	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-8-01- 3200	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$150. 00	2



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PR-8-01- 3343	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
PR-8-01- 5000	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks≦ 5%	D	3 month Roll UpYes = Append ix 2	\$150. 00	2
PR-9-01- 3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95% Complet ed within Window	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$100. 00	2
PR-9-08- 3520	Average Duration of Hot Cut Installation Troubles	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	Parity with Retail POTS - New	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-1-01- 6000	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds	Α	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
MR-1-06- 6000	Average Response Time - Test Trouble	VFO	≤ 90 Seconds	А	No	\$5.00	1 (200% std)
MR-3-01- 2010	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS Busines	Đ	Yes — Append ix 1	\$70.0 0	2
MR-3-01- 2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Residence	Parity with Retail POTS Residen ce	₽	Yes— Append ix 1	\$35.0 0	2
MR-3-01- 3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$70.0 0	2
MR-3-01- 3343	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$70.0 0	2
MR-3-02- 2010	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS Busines	Đ	Yes – Append ix 1	\$70.0 0	2

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MR-3-02- 2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Residence	Parity with Retail POTS— Residen ce	Đ	Yes— Append ix 1	\$35.0 0	2
MR-3-02- 3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$70.0 0	2
MR-3-02- 3343	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$70.0 0	2
MR-4-01- 3200	Mean Time To Repair - Total	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$125. 00	2
MR-4-01- 5000	Mean Time To Repair - Total	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks2 Hours	F	3 month Roll UpNo	\$125. 00	2
MR-4-02- 2010	Mean Time To Repair — Loop Trouble	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS Busines	E	Yes— Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
MR-4-02- 2120	Mean Time To Repair — Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Residence	Parity with Retail POTS- Residen ce	Щ.	Yes— Append ix-1	\$35.0 0	2
MR-4-02- 3112	Mean Time To Repair – Loop Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
MR-4-02- 3343	Mean Time To Repair – Loop Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
MR-4-03- 2010	Mean Time To Repair — Central Office Trouble	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS - Busines	E	Yes— Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2

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Metric#	Metric Title	Product	Perform ance Standar d	Perfo rm- ance Credi t Meth od	Applica tion of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualifi ed Miss	Escalat ion Method (Note 2)
MR-4-03- 2120	Mean Time To Repair — Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Residence	Parity with Retail POTS- Residen	Щ	Yes – Append ix 1	\$35.0 0	2
MR-4-03- 3112	Mean Time To Repair – Central Office Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
MR-4-03- 3343	Mean Time To Repair – Central Office Trouble	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	F	Yes – Append ix 1	\$60.0 0	2
MR-4-05- 5000	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks≤ 5%	D	3 month Rell UpYes = Append ix 2	\$175. 00	2
MR-4-06- 3200	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$175. 00	2
MR-4-07- 2010	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS- Busines	Đ	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-4-07- 3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-4-07- 3343	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-4-08- 2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	Parity with Retail POTS- Residen ce	Đ	Yes— Append ix 1	\$35.0 0	5
MR-5-01- 2000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS	₽	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-5-01- 3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-5-01-	% Repeat Reports	UNE	Parity	D	Yes -	\$200.	2

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3200	within 30 Days	Specials	with Retail POTS Specials		Append ix 1	00	
MR-5-01- 3343	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2- Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS	D	Yes – Append ix 1	\$100. 00	2
MR-5-01- 5000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks≤ 5%	D	3 month Roll UpYes = Append ix 2	\$200. 00	2
NP-2-01- 6701	% On Time Response to Request for Collocation	Collocation - New	≥ 95% within 7 Busines s Days	С	No	\$70.0 0	1
NP-2-01- 6702	% On Time Response to Request for Collocation	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% within 7 Busines s Days	С	No	\$70.0 0	1
NP-2-05- 6701	% On Time - Physical Collocation	Collocation - New	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$100 0.00	1
NP-2-05- 6702	% On Time - Physical Collocation	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$100 0.00	1
NP-2-06- 6701	% On Time - Virtual Collocation	Collocation - New	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$100 0.00	1
NP-2-06- 6702	% On Time - Virtual Collocation	Collocation - Augment	≥ 95% on or before DD	С	No	\$100 0.00	1
NP-2-07- 6701	Total Delay Days - Physical Collocation	Collocation - New	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.0 0	1
NP-2-07- 6702	Total Delay Days - Physical Collocation	Collocation - Augment	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.0 0	1
NP-2-08- 6701	Total Delay Days - Virtual Collocation	Collocation - New	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.0 0	1
NP-2-08- 6702	Total Delay Days - Virtual Collocation	Collocation - Augment	0 (zero) Days	G	No	\$70.0 0	1
BI-3-04- 1000300 0	% CLEC Billing Claims Acknowledged within 2 Business Days of Receipt	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$10.0 0	2

Metric#	Metric Title	Product	Perform ance Standar d	Perfo rm- ance Credi t Meth	Applica tion of small sample size rule	Rate Per Qualifi ed Miss	Escalat ion Method (Note 2)
BI-3-05- 1000300 0	% CLEC Billing Claims Resolved within 28 Calendar Days After Acknowledgment	Resale & UNE	≥ 95%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$50.0 0	2
BI-3-08- 1000300 0	% CLEC Billing Claim Credits Not Appearing on the Bill within 45 Calendar Days	Resale & UNE	≥ 97.5%	С	Yes – Append ix 2	\$50.0 0	2
BI-9-01- 1000300 0	% Billing Completeness in 12 Billing Cycles	Resale & UNE	≥ 96%	M	Yes – Append ix 2	Per Measur e Rate (See Table 1 in Section 1)	2

Note 1: PO-1-08 sub-metrics (% Timeouts) will be eligible for performance bill credits beginning one year after implementation of WPP.

Note 2: All metrics are subject to a bill credit escalator of 2.5 times (250% of) the base metric rate when performance is missed in 3 of 6 non-consecutive months. The 3 of 6 month escalator is only invoked in months when the applicable consecutive month's escalator (Escalation Method 1 or 2) does not apply.

# APPENDIX 5 Diagnostic Metrics

Appendix 5

# **Diagnostic Metrics**

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
PO-1-05-6040	Average Response Time - TN Availability & Reservation	XML	≤4.5 Seconds
PO-1-05-6050	Average Response Time - TN Availability & Reservation	WEB GUI	≤7.5 seconds
PO-1-07-6040	Average Response Time - Rejected Query	XML	≤4.5 Seconds
PO-1-07-6050	Average Response Time - Rejected Query	WEB GUI	≤7.5 seconds
PO-1-09-6040	Average Response Time - Parsed CSR	XML	≤4.5 Seconds
PO-3-02- 1000 <u>3000</u>	% Answered within 30 Seconds - Ordering	Resale & UNE	≥ 80%
PO-3-04- 1000 <u>3000</u>	% Answered within 30 Seconds - Repair	Resale & UNE	≥ 80%
PO-4-02-6600	Change Management Notices - Delay 1 to 7 Days	Change Notices all types	No Standard
PO-5-01-6500	% On Time Notice of OSS Interface Outage	OSS Interface Outage Notifications	≥ 95% within 20 Minutes of Outage
OR-2-12-5030	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	≥ 95% within Negotiated Interval
OR-4-11- 10003000	% Completed Orders with Neither a PCN nor BCN Sent	Resale & UNE	≤ 0.25% within 2 Business Days of Provisioning Completion
OR-5-01-2000	% Flow-Through - Total	Resale	No Standard
OR-5-01-3112	% Flow-Through – Total	UNE 2- Wire Analog Loop	No Standard
OR-5-01-3121	% Flow-Through — Total	Directory Listings & LNP	No Standard
PR-1-04-3112	Average Interval Offered - Dispatch (6 to 9 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
PR-1-05-3112	Average Interval Offered - Dispatch (≥ 10 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
PR-1-09-3211	Average Interval Offered	UNE DS1	Parity with Retail DS1
PR-1-09-3213	Average Interval Offered	UNE DS3	Parity with Retail DS3
PR-1-09-5020	Average Interval Offered	CLEC Trunks (≤ 192 Forecasted)	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-1-09-5030	Average Interval Offered	CLEC Trunks (> 192, Unforecasted, and Projects)	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-3-01-2000	% Completed in 1 Day – No Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	Resale	Diagnostic Standard, No Retail Statistics

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
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PR-3-06-2000	% Completed in 3 Days - Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS
PR-3-06-3113	% Completed in 3 Days – Dispatch (1 to 5 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - New	Diagnostic Comparison to Parity with Retail POTS
PR-3-08-3520	% Completed in 5 Days – No Dispatch (1 to 10 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95%
PR-3-11-3520	% Completed in 10 Days – No Dispatch (11 to 20 Lines)	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop - Hot Cut	≥ 95%
PR-5-01-2000	% Missed Due Date - Facilities	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS
PR-5-01-5000	% Missed Due Date - Facilities	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-5-02-2000	%-Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS
PR-5-02-3112	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
PR-5-02-3200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE Specials	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail Specials
PR-5-02-3343	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	No Standard
PR-5-02-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-5-03-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 60 Days	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
PR-8-02-2000	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS
PR-8-02-3112	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
PR-8-02-3200	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	UNE Specials	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail Specials
PR-8-02-3343	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
PR-8-02-5000	% Open Orders in a Hold Status > 90 Days	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
MR-1-02-6000	Average Response Time - Status Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds
MR-1-03-6000	Average Response Time - Modify Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds
MR-1-04-6000	Average Response Time - Request Cancellation of Trouble	VFO	≤ 4.5 Seconds
MR-1-05-6000	Average Response Time –Status &Trouble History	VFO	No Standard
MR-2-01-3200	Network Trouble Report Rate	UNE Specials	No Standard
MR-2-01-5000	Network Trouble Report Rate	CLEC Trunks	Parity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-2-02-2000	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-02-3112	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-02-3343	Network Trouble Report Rate - Loop	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-03-2000	Network Trouble Report Rate - Central Office	Resale	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-03-3112	Network Trouble Report Rate - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-2-03-3343	Network Trouble Report Rate - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-04-2000	% Cleared within 24 Hours	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS
MR-4-04-3112	% Cleared within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
MR-4-04-3200	% Cleared within 24 Hours	UNE Specials	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail Specials
MR-4-04-3343	% Cleared within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
MR-4-04-5000	% Cleared within 24 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-4-06-2010	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	Resale Business	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS – Business
MR-4-06-2120	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS – Residence
MR-4-06-5000	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-4-07-2120	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS – Residence
MR-4-07-5000	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks

Metric #	Metric Title	Product	Performance Standard
MR-4-08-2010	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale Business	Parity with Retail POTS -Business
MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Analog Loop	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-08-3200	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE Specials	Parity with Retail Specials
MR-4-08-3343	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Parity with Retail POTS
MR-4-08-5000	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	CLEC Trunks	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with IXC Feature Group D Trunks
MR-5-02-2000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	Resale	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail POTS
MR-5-02-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	UNE 2 Wire Analog Loop	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
MR-5-02-3200	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	UNE Specials	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail Specials
MR-5-02-3343	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days on No Trouble Found	UNE 2-Wire Digital & xDSL Loops	Diagnostic Comparison toParity with Retail POTS
NP-1-01-5100	% Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
NP-1-02-5100	% Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold (No Exclusions)	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
NP-1-03-5100	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold - 2 Months	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
NP-1-04-5100	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Threshold - 3 Months	Final Trunk Groups	No Standard
BI-1-02-2000	% DUF in 4 Calendar Days	Resale	≥ <del>95%</del>
BI-2-01- 1000 <u>3000</u>	Timeliness of CLEC Bill	Resale & UNE	≥ 98% within 10 Business Days
BI-3-07- 1000 <u>3000</u>	% Full or Partial Denials	Resale & UNE	No Standard
OD-1-01-1021	Average Speed of Answer - Call Completion	Operator Services	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail, No Stat. Score
OD-1-02-1021	Average Speed of Answer - Directory Assistance	Operator Services	Diagnostic Comparison to Retail, No Stat. Score

# APPENDIX 6 Sample Report

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# **APPENDIX 7**

# Glossary

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ASR	Access Service Request		
ASRC	Access Service Request Confirmation		
Administrative Orders	Orders issued and completed by FairPointConsolidated Communications for		
/ diministrative orders	administrative purposes and NOT at the request of a CLEC or end user. These		
	also include administrative orders for FairPointConsolidated Communications		
	official lines and LIDT (Left in Dial Tone).		
Basic Front-end Edits	Edits performed by VFO prior to order acceptance.		
Billing Completed	The date the order is posted to the customer account. For Wholesale		
	customers, this triggers the Billing Completion Notice (BCN). Also referred to		
	as Billing Completion Date.		
BCN	Billing Completion Notice		
Bill Cycle Hold	Time during which FairPointConsolidated Communications Billing systems		
	hold transactions while the monthly bill is processed.		
CLEC Trunks	Interconnection Trunks dedicated to an individual CLEC used to originate and		
	terminate local traffic between FairPointConsolidated Communications's		
	network and that CLEC's network.		
Coordinated Hot Cut	The near simultaneous disconnection of a FairPointConsolidated		
	Communications working loop from a port on one local exchange carrier's		
	switch, and the reconnection of that same loop to a port on a CLEC's switch,		
CDE	without any significant out-of-service period.  Customer Premises Equipment		
CPE			
Dispatched Order	Order requiring dispatch of a FairPointConsolidated Communications Field technique of a FairPointConsolidated Communications Control Office		
Disposition Code	technician outside of a FairPointConsolidated Communications Central Office.  Code assigned by the FairPointConsolidated Communications Field		
Disposition Code	Technician upon closure of a trouble, which identifies the plant type/location in		
	the network where the trouble was found. (Refer to the URL matrix in the WPP		
	guidelines to obtain the list of disposition codes.)		
DUF	Daily Usage Feed		
Flow-Through:	Orders received electronically through the VFO ordering interface that require		
Tion Timough.	no manual intervention to be entered into the ordering system or rejected back		
	to the CLEC.		
Loop Qualification	Process used to determine if a loop facility meets or can be upgraded to meet		
	specifications necessary for 2-Wire Digital or xDSL services.		
LSR	Local Service Request		
LSRC	Local Service Request Confirmation		
Negotiated Interval	Process whereby FairPointConsolidated Communications and a CLEC		
	mutually agree on a delivery date for a requested product/service.		
Non-Dispatch Orders:	Orders completed without a dispatch outside a FairPointConsolidated		
	Communications Central Office. Includes orders with translation changes and		
	dispatches inside a FairPointConsolidated Communications Central Office.		
OSS	Operations Support Systems		
POTS	Plain Old Telephone Services. Voice grade analog lines, which include all non-		
	designed lines/circuits that originate on a FairPointConsolidated		
	Communications central office OE (local switch office equipment) and		
	terminate on a Network Interface Device (NID) at a customer premises. POTS		
DOM	include Centrex, and PBX trunks.		
PON	Purchase Order Number. Unique order number provided by CLEC to		
DON	FairPointConsolidated Communications on an LSR or ASR.		
PCN	Provisioning Completion Notice		
PCN Provisioning Completed			

Trunk Projects	Request for a new trunk group or augment to an existing trunk group for		
	greater than 384 trunks.		
Reject	A response sent to the CLEC indicating there is an omission or error in required information for a submitted order. Rejects also include a query where notification is provided to a CLEC for clarification on a submitted order. The order is considered rejected and order processing is suspended while a request is returned or queried.		
Retail Specials	Retail services that require engineering design. These services include (but are not limited to) high capacity services (DS1, DS3, primary rate ISDN, 4-Wire xDSL services, and private lines or foreign served services (a line physically in one exchange, served by another through a circuit). Excludes special access and switched access services purchased under a state or federal access tariff.		
Test Orders	Orders processed by FairPointConsolidated Communications or a CLEC for testing purposes.		
VFO	Virtual Front Office		
WebGUI	World Wide Web Graphical User Interface		
XML	Extensible Markup Language		

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