

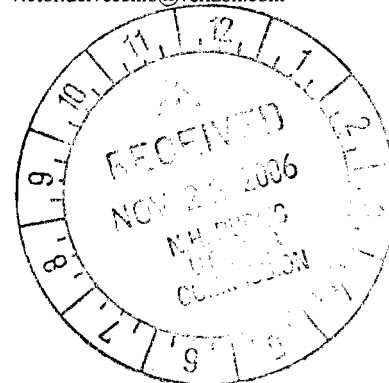
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Public Utilities Commission
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Re: Verizon NH Revised PAP Guidelines

Dear Ms. Howland:

In accordance with the "Changes to the New York Plan" section of the Performance Assurance Plan ("PAP"), Verizon New Hampshire ("Verizon NH") is filing an original and six (6) copies of the revised Performance PAP for the Commission's review. The revisions in the attached documents are consistent with the New York Public Service Commission's ("PSC") September 25, 2006 Order in Case 99-C-0949, which amended the New York PAP, and the Company's October 25, 2006 Compliance Filing in that proceeding. A copy of the NY PSC's Order can be found at http://www.dps.state.ny.us/Case_99C0949.htm (select PSC File Room).

In the past, Verizon NH has also provided the Commission and the parties with a "red-lined" version of the current PAP that highlighted the changes that had been made to the PAP. In this case, since the NY PSC has reorganized the main document and appendices, the provision of such a document would not be helpful. As will be explained below, the Revised NH PAP is significantly different in form and substance from the current PAP, and any red-lined version of the current NH PAP would be virtually incomprehensible.

I. The Revised NY and NH PAPs

Due to major changes in the marketplace, the New York Commission made significant changes to both the substance and format of the NY PAP. These changes, which have been incorporated in the Revised NH PAP, can be summarized as follows:

- Line sharing, line splitting and UNE-P metrics were removed from the Mode of Entry (“MOE”)¹ and Critical Measures² sections of the Plan, consistent with the changes that were made to the C2C Guidelines³ on February 19, 2006.
- The overall at-risk dollars were reduced by approximately 65% to reflect the removal of a large volume of products no longer required to be unbundled under Section 251 of the 1996 Telecommunications Act and the realities of the competitive telecommunications market place. Under the Revised NH PAP, an aggregate amount of \$14.79 million dollars remains at risk.⁴
- The MOE section of the PAP has been modified so that it now includes only three modes instead of five. UNE-P has been removed along with the UNE-P metrics, while the current Loop MOE and the remaining metrics

¹ “MOE” refers to sections in the PAP that are designed to measure Verizon’s wholesale performance in “three categories that correspond to the general modes CLECs use to obtain facilities from Verizon to support the services that they offer in the local exchange market: Loop-Based; Resale-POTS; and Interconnection Trunks.” PAP at 2-3.

² “Critical Measures” refer to “stand-alone Critical Measures that cover Verizon’s service in areas critical to the CLECs.” PAP at 3.

³ The Carrier-to-Carrier Guidelines is a comprehensive document that establishes standards and metrics for the purpose of measuring and reporting inter-carrier service quality performance. “The measures and standards in [the PAP] are generally taken directly from the effective version of the Guidelines . . . , and cover the areas of Pre-Ordering, Ordering, Provisioning, Maintenance and Repair, Billing, Network Performance and Change Control.” PAP at 1-2.

⁴ As noted above, the Revised NH PAP covers significantly fewer lines than are covered under the current PAP. This is due primarily to the elimination of Verizon’s obligations to measure and report performance on transactions involving UNE-P, line splitting and line sharing products. The amounts at risk under the NH PAP MOE sections, i.e., Resale, UNE Loop-Based and Interconnection Trunks, are still significant and mirror the allocation of bill credits among the MOEs in the NY PAP. In addition, the Critical Measures section of the Plan now includes 50 metrics instead of 112.

In addition, a good case can be made for even further reductions in the amounts at risk since competition, and not regulation, is now the major driver of service quality in New Hampshire. Competition from all modes of providers is increasing rapidly in the state, and this competition, and not regulation, will provide sufficient incentives for Verizon NH to provide good service to its CLEC customers. The New York Commission found that “[m]arket pressure on Verizon from emerging cable voice offerings, together with voice over internet protocol (VoIP) and wireless, should provide [an] additional incentive.” NY Order at 15.

from the DSL MOE are consolidated into a single "Loop-Based" MOE. The three remaining modes are: Resale, Loop-Based and Trunks.

- In order to simplify the administration of the PAP, the scoring methodology for both the MOE and Critical Measures sections was modified. Most significantly, the -1 Recapture Provision was eliminated and only a single month is now used to evaluate Verizon's aggregate performance.⁵
- The elimination of the -1 Recapture Rule resulted in a number of other interrelated changes including modifications to the z-scores⁶ associated with the -1 and -2 scoring for parity measures, and the recalculation of the initial 10% payment levels for the MOE tables and Minimum Thresholds⁷ for each of the MOEs.
- The number of Critical Measure metrics was reduced significantly, which increases the bill credits at risk per metric.
- The scoring methodology used for the Critical Measure's Individual Rule was modified to evaluate results on a single month's performance. This modification includes the shift to a single month's performance and a corresponding change to the standards used for the scoring.
- The Special Provisions and Change Control Assurance Plan categories were eliminated, but the PAP retains certain metrics from those provisions, including them in the MOE or Critical Measures sections.
- A greater proportion of dollars at risk were allocated to the UNE-Specials⁸ metrics provisions in the Critical Measures section of the Plan.

⁵ There is one minor exception. A metric in the Trunk MOE, NP-1-03, can receive a "-1" score that is subject to recapture if Verizon attains a "0" score on this metric in the preceding two months. In other words, the final performance determination for metric NP-1-03, scored with a "-1" (missed standard in question), is dependent on two additional performance scores for the same measure in the preceding months. If the two other scores are both "0" (met standard), then the "-1" performance score is converted to a "0" performance score for the data month under evaluation.

⁶ "z scores" are the "Z score equivalents" that refer to the standard normal Z score that has the same probability as the p-values from the permutation test or the hypergeometric distribution (a.k.a., Fisher's Exact test). PAP, Appendix D, at 49 & 51.

⁷ "Minimum Thresholds" for each MOE category, which depend on the number of measures and their weights, correspond to the value at which there is a 95% confidence that the number of missed standards may be more than what would be expected from random variation in the underlying data. PAP at 3.

⁸ "UNE Specials" refer to UNE products that require engineering design intervention. These services include (but are not limited to) such services as: high capacity services (DS1 or DS3, EEL and IOF). This category excludes

- A billing metric, BI-9 “% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles,” replaces BI-3-04 and BI-3-05 in the Critical Measures section.

The New York Commission directed Verizon NY to confer with New York Staff and resolve a number of outstanding administrative issues in its compliance filing. The compliance filing that Verizon NY made on October 25, 2006 addressed these issues. A copy of the transmittal letter and Verizon New York’s Compliance Filing in Case 99-C-0949 is appended as Attachment 1.⁹

The Revised NH PAP, which is appended as Attachment 2, reflects all of the above changes that were adopted in New York, including the statistical methodologies used to analyze the PAP data. State-specific aspects of the NH PAP, which are not mirrored in the NY PAP, are primarily addressed in Appendix F. This appendix includes provisions relating to, among other things, audits and offsets for any amounts payable under penalty provisions in existing Interconnection Agreements.

II. Relationship to the Revised C2C Guidelines

In order for the Commission to adopt the revisions to the NH PAP that are outlined above and are reflected in the attached NH PAP, the Commission also must adopt the revisions to the C2C Guidelines that were submitted to the Commission by Verizon NH on November 10, 2006. Adoption of these revisions is necessary because some of the metrics used in the Revised NH PAP will be based on the measurements contained in the revised C2C Guidelines. For example, the C2C Guidelines were revised so that the UNE-P like products would no longer be captured by BI-9 “% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles” – an important new metric for the Revised NH PAP.

III. Conclusion

Following Commission approval of the attached revisions, Verizon NH plans to implement the new PAP in the next available Network Metrics Portal (“NMP”) release. If, however, the Commission were to order modifications that required significant systems changes in addition to those already proposed in the attached version, Verizon NH would request that it be allowed to negotiate an implementation date at the time it makes its compliance filing.

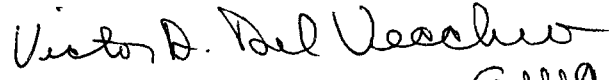
access service (access services are defined as those purchased under the state or federal access tariff by a wholesale/carrier customer).

⁹ Verizon NY anticipates that the New York Commission may issue a subsequent Order addressing any issues raised by the Compliance Filing. If the New York PSC makes further modifications to the NY PAP, Verizon NH will propose these further modifications to the Commission for inclusion in the NH PAP. Similarly, if the New York PSC suspends implementation of a metric or makes a modification to the NY PAP, Verizon NH will propose this suspension or modification to the Commission for the NH PAP.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN

I. INTRODUCTION

To ensure that Verizon continues to provide high-quality service to Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (the “CLECs”) pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “1996 Act”) the commitments set forth in this Performance Assurance Plan (the “Plan”) are in effect.¹ The actions include, *inter alia*, the adoption of both carrier-to-carrier service measurements and standards, scoring mechanisms to determine whether CLECs are receiving non-discriminatory treatment (including statistical methodologies), the payment of bill credits to CLECs if Verizon’s reported performance does not meet the standards defined in the Plan, monthly reporting requirements, and provisions for annual reviews, updates and audits.² Also included are provisions for Exceptions and Waivers, subject to Commission approval.³

II. PROVISIONS OF THE PLAN

A. Measures

The measures and standards in this Plan are generally taken directly from the effective version of the Guidelines for Carrier-to-Carrier Performance Standards and Reports (the

¹ The Public Service Commission/Department (the “Commission”/ the “Department”) retains the first line of authority for enforcing these commitments. The Federal Communications Commission (the “FCC”) will have authority for preventing Verizon from future marketing in long distance should post-entry developments so warrant.

² Verizon will be specifically prohibited from recovering revenue losses attributable to the Performance Assurance Plan.

³ This Plan also includes the following appendices:

- Appendix A: Mode of Entry;
- Appendix B: Critical Measures;
- Appendix C: Performance Evaluation Methodology;
- Appendix D: Statistical Evaluation Procedures;
- Appendix E: Sample Report Format; and
- Appendix F: Background, Incentives, Reporting and Other Provisions.

“Guidelines”),⁴ and cover the areas of Pre-order, Ordering, Provisioning, Maintenance and Repair, Billing, Network Performance and Change Control. These measures and standards result from many years of collaborative meetings with CLECs. Accordingly, these measures and standards represent the interests of a broad body of stakeholders.

The 1996 Telecommunications Act requires that Verizon provide interconnection “that is at least equal in quality” to that provided to itself, and “non-discriminatory access” to unbundled elements. Each month, for performance measures requiring parity with retail (the “Parity measures”), Verizon will apply statistical tests, which are outlined in Appendix D, to both Verizon and CLEC performance data to compute performance results (p-values and/or Z statistics). For performance measures with a benchmark standard (the “Benchmark Measures”), Verizon will compare actual performance to the benchmark. Thus, under the Plan the Benchmark and Parity measures are used to determine whether Verizon is providing non-discriminatory service to the CLECs. Parity or Benchmark measures can be averages (“Measured” variables), such as “Mean Time to Repair,” or proportions (“Counted” variables), such as “% On Time” and rates, such as “Installation Troubles.”

B. Methods of Evaluation

The performance measures are distributed among two sections of the plan for evaluation: (1) Mode of Entry (“MOE”), and (2) Critical Measures, which are described below.

1. Mode of Entry

The MOE section of the Plan is designed to measure Verizon’s overall Section 271 performance in three categories that correspond to the general modes CLECs use to obtain facilities from Verizon to support the services that they offer in the local exchange market:

⁴ See NH PSC order 23,940 in docket DT 01-006, *Verizon New Hampshire Petition to Approve Carrier to Carrier Performance Guidelines and Performance Assessment Plan*

Loop-Based; Resale-POTS; and Interconnection Trunks (“Trunks”). The performance for these measurements is evaluated at the industry (aggregate CLEC) level each month for each MOE grouping. A pre-specified amount of annual bill credits is available to the CLECs if Verizon’s performance reaches the maximum allowable unsatisfactory performance in each of the three MOE categories.

Each month Verizon applies statistical tests outlined in Appendix D to the Parity metrics, and compares metrics without a retail analog to a Benchmark standard. From these results, a performance score for each MOE is calculated separately as a weighted average of the performance score for all measures within the mode. Bill credits are due when the minimum threshold for the mode is exceeded. The minimum threshold for each MOE category, which depends on the number of measures and their weights, corresponds to the value at which there is a 95% confidence that the number of missed standards may be more than what would be expected from random variation in the underlying data.

Annual bill credits are assigned to the MOE section of the Plan and are distributed to each of the MOEs in amounts that reflect the importance of that MOE to the local exchange competition. Each month, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual amount assigned to the MOEs is available for bill credits. These amounts are subject to doubling under certain circumstances. Appendix A contains additional details for the MOE provisions, and Appendix C contains details regarding metric scoring.

2. Critical Measures

This Plan also includes stand-alone Critical Measures that cover Verizon’s service in areas critical to the CLECs. Should Verizon’s performance miss an applicable performance standard for even *one* of the Critical Measures, the eligible CLECs will be entitled to bill credits. Each month, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual amount assigned to each Critical Measure is

available for bill credits. The Critical Measures have either Benchmark or Parity standards and are analyzed at both the aggregate level of performance (the “Aggregate Rule”) and the individual CLEC-level of performance (the “Individual Rule”).

For Benchmark metrics (without a retail analog), the payment of bill credits, if any are due, is determined on CLEC-specific performance and CLEC-specific volume of activity⁵. For Parity metrics, Verizon applies statistical tests outlined in Appendix D.⁶ If Verizon’s performance at the aggregate level does not meet the corresponding standard (*i.e.*, for parity metrics a -1.645 statistical score or worse, p-value of 0.05 or less), Verizon will pay CLECs a bill credit.

At the Aggregate level, performance is scored at a 0, -1 or -2. Additionally, if Verizon meets the performance standard in the Aggregate, but provides service to any individual CLEC with a -3 performance score, Verizon will credit that individual CLEC’s bill. Appendix B contains additional details for the Critical Measures, and Appendix C contains details regarding metric scoring.

⁵ Certain performance measures are not reported at the CLEC specific level. Allocation of bill credits will be determined using methodology described in Appendix B.

⁶ For instances where the sample size criteria detailed in Appendix D are not met, a statistical score will not be reported, but rather nothing will be reported in the statistical score column .

C. Annual Incentive Amounts

Incentives for the MOE and Critical Measures sections of the Plan total \$14,790,000 annually and are distributed among the major sections of the Plan as follows:

Mode of Entry ⁷					
	Loop-Based	Resale POTS	Interconnection Trunks	Total	Total with Doubling
Annual	\$2,192,041	\$730,681	\$730,681	\$3,653,402	\$7,306,804
Monthly	\$182,670	\$60,890	\$60,890	\$304,450	\$608,900

Critical Measures	
	Total
Annual	\$7,483,224
Monthly	\$623,602

Details regarding the specific calculation of bill credits that may be due for each reporting period are described in Appendices A, B and C.

D. Reallocation of Potential Bill Credits

The Commission has the authority to reallocate the monthly distribution of bill credits between and among any provisions of the Plan, and the Commission will give Verizon 15 days notice prior to the beginning of the month in which the reallocation may occur. Any reallocation is done pursuant to Commission order.

E. Monthly Reports

In order to ensure that there is timely information regarding Verizon's performance, Verizon will report its performance on a monthly basis, and aggregate PAP reports will be filed with the Commission.⁸ Additionally, each month, an electronic report will be made available to all requesting CLECs that are providing service in the state. The reports will include bill credit

⁷ Monthly amounts are subject to doubling as specified in Appendix A. Doubling raises the MOE total to \$7,306,804.

⁸ A two-year statute of limitation on challenges to PAP performance is in effect.

amounts, if any, due to the individual CLEC. A sample copy of the report appears in Appendix E.

This report will provide information regarding the MOE measures, a listing of the Critical Measures, and the bill credits, if any, which are due for these measures on a CLEC Aggregate basis. It also includes performance details for Critical Measures. CLECs can obtain their individual reports and the aggregate report from Verizon's Web site.

Verizon will continue to provide separate monthly reports on all measures in the Guidelines to any CLEC requesting the reports. In addition, Verizon will continue to provide to each requesting CLEC in a usable format the underlying data (flat files) used to calculate Verizon's performance for that CLEC.

F. Term of Performance Assurance Plan

Until a replacement mechanism is developed or until the Plan is rescinded, this Plan, as it may be modified from time-to-time by the Commission and Verizon, shall remain in effect.

G. Exceptions and Waiver Process

Recognizing that C2C service quality data may be influenced by factors beyond Verizon's control, Verizon may file Exception or Waiver petitions with the Commission seeking to have the monthly service quality results modified on the grounds that are described in Appendices C and D.

H. Annual Review, Updates and Audits

Provisions for reviews, updates and audits are detailed in Appendix F.

III. FULLY INTEGRATED DOCUMENT

The terms and provisions of this Plan are submitted in their entirety to the Commission for approval. This Plan represents a fully integrated statement of the commitments Verizon undertakes, including the payment of bill credits if Verizon's reported performance does not

meet the standards for the measures specified in the Plan. It is not offered to the Commission for approval on a piecemeal basis.

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APPENDIX A: Mode of Entry

APPENDIX A: MODE OF ENTRY**I. MOE: MEASURES AND WEIGHTS**

The Mode of Entry (“MOE”) section of the Plan is designed to measure Verizon’s overall Section 271 performance in three individual MOE categories that correspond to the methods or modes CLECs use to obtain facilities from Verizon to support the service that they offer in the local exchange market: Loop-Based; Resale - POTS; and Interconnection Trunks. The MOE measurements provide a mechanism to measure the overall level of Verizon’s service to the entire CLEC industry in the three areas.

The allocation of dollars at risk for each MOE is as follows:

Table A-1: Allocation of Incentive Amounts for Mode of Entry

Mode of Entry				
	Loop-Based	Resale-POTS	Interconnection Trunks	Total
Monthly without Doubling	\$182,670	\$60,890	\$60,890	\$304,450
Monthly with Doubling ⁹	\$365,340	\$121,780	\$121,780	\$608,900
Annual without Doubling	\$2,192,041	\$730,681	\$730,681	\$3,653,402
Annual with Doubling	\$4,384,082	\$1,461,362	\$1,461,362	\$7,306,804

As Table A-1 demonstrates, each month, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual amount is available for MOE bill credits. The measures found in each MOE, and their respective weights are listed in the three tables below.

⁹ Monthly amounts are subject to doubling as specified in Appendix A, Section III(B).

Table A-2: Loop Based - Measures and Weights

Metric Number	Metric Description	Product	Weight	Standard Type
PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-01-6030	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	CORBA	2	Benchmark
PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W	5	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6030	Average Response Time - Address Validation	CORBA	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W	5	Benchmark
PO-1-06-6020	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification – xDSL	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification – xDSL	WEB GUI/LSI/W	2	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime-Time	WPTS	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6030	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	CORBA	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	WEB GUI/LSI/W	5	Benchmark
PO-8-01-6000	% On Time - Manual Loop Qualification	Systems Metrics	2	Benchmark
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	10	Benchmark
OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-2-02-3331	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-2-04-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-2-04-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Benchmark
OR-2-04-3342	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Benchmark
OR-2-06-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	2	Benchmark
OR-2-06-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Benchmark
OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers sent within one (1) Business Day	Resale & UNE combined (EDI)	5	Benchmark
OR-5-03-3112	% Flow Through Achieved	UNE POTS - Loop	5	Benchmark
OR-6-03-3331	% Accuracy – LSRC	UNE Loop/Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
PR-3-10-3342	% Completed in six (6) Days one (1) to five (5) Lines – Total	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Benchmark
PR-4-02-3112	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE POTS - Loop	10	Parity
PR-4-02-3341	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-4-02-3342	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE POTS Loop New	5	Parity
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE/Resale 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-4-05-3341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Benchmark
PR-5-01-3112	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
PR-5-02-3112	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE POTS - Loop - New	10	Parity
PR-6-01-3341	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	10	Parity
PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop Basic Hot Cut	20	Benchmark

APPENDIX A

Metric Number	Metric Description	Product	Weight	Standard Type
PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut	10	Benchmark
PR-8-01-3341	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-8-01-3342	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Basic Hot Cut	20	Benchmark
PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut	10	Benchmark
PR-9-08-3533	Average Duration of Hot Cut Installation Troubles	UNE POTS - Loop - Hot Cut Total	10	Parity
MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA	2	Benchmark
MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-3-01-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
MR-3-02-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-3-02-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-3-02-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
MR-4-02-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
MR-4-02-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-02-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-03-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
MR-4-03-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-03-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-04-3341	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-04-3342	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-07-3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
MR-4-07-3341	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-07-3342	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-5-01-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-5-01-3341	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-5-01-3342	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
	Total Weights		330	

Table A-3: Resale POTS - Measures and Weights

Metric Number	Metric Description – Resale	Product	Weight	Standard Type
PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W	2	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Maintenance Web GUI (RETAS) / Pre-ordering/Ordering Web GUI combined	5	Benchmark
OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	10	Benchmark
OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	5	Benchmark
OR-2-02-2320	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	5	Benchmark
OR-2-04-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	2	Benchmark
OR-2-06-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	2	Benchmark
OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers sent within one (1) Business Day	Resale & UNE combined (EDI)	5	Benchmark
OR-5-03-2000	% Flow Through Achieved	Resale	10	Benchmark
OR-6-03-2000	% Accuracy – LSRC	Resale	10	Benchmark
PR-3-01-2100	% Completed in one (1) Day one (1) to five (5) Lines - No Dispatch	Resale POTS	5	Parity
PR-4-02-2100	Average Delay Days – Total	Resale POTS	15	Parity
PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	Resale POTS	10	Parity
PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS	20	Parity
PR-5-01-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	Resale POTS	5	Parity
PR-5-02-2100	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Resale POTS	5	Parity
PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS	15	Parity
MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA	2	Benchmark
MR-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Test Trouble (POTS Only)	LSI-TA	2	Benchmark
MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Business	10	Parity
MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Residence	10	Parity
MR-3-02-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Business	10	Parity
MR-3-02-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Residence	10	Parity
MR-4-02-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Business	5	Parity
MR-4-02-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity
MR-4-03-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Business	5	Parity
MR-4-03-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity
MR-4-07-2110	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS – Business	5	Parity
MR-4-07-2120	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS - Residence	5	Parity
MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS - Business	5	Parity
MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity
MR-5-01-2100	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Resale POTS	10	Parity
BI-1-02-1000	% DUF in 4 Business Days	POTS	5	Benchmark
	Total Weights		241	

Table A-4: Interconnection Trunks - Measures and Weights

Metric Number	Metric Description – Trunks	Product	Weight	Standard Type
OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC) (<= 192 Forecasted Trunks)	5	Benchmark
OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Benchmark
OR-1-19-5020	% On Time Response - Request for Inbound Augment Trunks	Verizon Inbound Augment Trunks (<= 192 Trunks)	5	Benchmark
OR-2-12-5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Benchmark
PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP	20	Benchmark
PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning – Trunks	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	20	Benchmark
PR-5-01-5000	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
PR-5-02-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
PR-6-01-5000	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Parity
PR-8-01-5000	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-01-5000	Mean Time To Repair – Total	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-05-5000	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-06-5000	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-07-5000	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-08-5000	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-5-01-5000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Parity
NP-1-03-5000	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Standard - Two (2) Months	CLEC Trunks	5	Benchmark
NP-1-04-5000	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Standard - Three (3) Months	CLEC Trunks	10	Benchmark
	Total Weights		140	

II. MOE: PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Each metric's performance is evaluated monthly at the industry (CLEC Aggregate) level. Parity and Benchmark performance for each metric is transformed into a performance score of "0", "-1", or "-2". The methodology for determining performance scores is contained in Appendix C. Each measure in each MOE also had been given a weight that reflects the importance of each measure in the category relative to the other metrics. The overall score for each MOE is determined by calculating the weighted average performance score for all metrics in the MOE. If this score exceeds the minimum threshold for the respective MOE (*see* discussion below) then the affected CLECs are eligible for bill credits.

The following are the steps that will be undertaken to determine whether Bill Credits are due to CLECs for the each of the MOE categories.

A. Determine Performance Score of Each Metric

Details on the determination of performance scores are contained in Appendix C.

B. Calculate Aggregate MOE Scores for Each MOE

For each metric, multiply the performance score by the assigned weight and divide by the total weights contained in the MOE. The total MOE score is the sum of the weighted metric scores.

III. MOE: BILL CREDIT CALCULATION

A. Minimum and Maximum Bill Credit Tables

If Verizon's overall weighted score in any MOE is less than (more negative than) the applicable minimum score in a given month, credits pursuant to a credit table for each MOE category will be applied. The minimum and maximum overall weighted scores and the start point percentages are as follows:

Table A-5: Minimum/Maximum Performance Scores

Mode of Entry	Minimum Market Adj.	Maximum Market Adj.	% Market Adj. at Minimum
Loop Based	-0.11515	-.67000	10%
Resale POTS	-0.13278	-.67000	10%
Interconnection Trunks	-0.17857	-1.0000	10%

If Verizon's weighted score is more negative than the minimum market adjustment performance score for any MOE, at least 10% of the allocated dollars for that MOE will be applied to bill credits. The intent is that the minimum score for each MOE category corresponds to the threshold at which there is a 95% confidence that the number of missed standards may be more than what would be expected from random variation in the underlying data. For example, if Verizon scored -0.11515 on the Loop-Based MOE in a month, then 10% of the monthly amount would be allocated as bill credits.

If Verizon's weighted score is more negative than the maximum performance score for any MOE, 100% of the allocated dollars for the MOE would be applied as bill credits. The maximum scores represent the maximum allowable out of parity condition, which would significantly limit a mode of entry as a competitively viable option. The Resale, Trunks and Loop-Based MOEs are divided into increasing increments until the maximum at risk amount is allocated as bill credits. The minimum and maximum ranges and the associated amount of bill credits for each MOE appear in Tables A-7 through A-9, which appear at the end of this appendix. The MOE bill credit tables reflect: (1) the range of the aggregate performance scores from the minimum to maximum, and (2) the monthly dollars attributable to each score. These tables will be used with the aggregate and individual CLEC monthly volumes for the MOE to determine the corresponding monthly amount that will be paid to each CLEC if Verizon's performance is at that particular level.

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The measurement unit for each of the MOEs is “Lines in Service”¹⁰ and is determined as follows:

1. Lines in Service for Loop Based refers to UNE 2-Wire analog loops, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops, Resale 2-Wire Digital Loops, and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops;
2. Lines in Service for Resale POTS refers to Resale POTS lines; and
3. Lines in Service for Interconnection Trunks refers to Trunks in service (reported at the DS0 level).

The bill credits, if any, due to the individual CLECs will be determined as follows. Each month, Verizon will determine the bill credit amount corresponding to the overall MOE score (see Tables A-7 to A-9). If a bill credit amount is due, it will be allocated to CLECs based upon their proportion of the lines in service that month for the MOE. For example, a step of the Loop-Based Bill Credit Table appears below in Table A-6.

Table A-6: Example - Loop-Based Bill Credit Calculation

Score Range		Percent	Month's Aggregate Volume	Month's Rate
<	And ≥			
-0.17356	-0.20276	19.47%	30,000	[19.47%] *[maximum monthly amount] / [month's volume]

If the Aggregate Loop-Based MOE score was -0.1900 and a CLEC had 3,000 Loop Based lines (at the end of the month), it would be entitled to a \$3,557 Bill Credit ($[3,000] \times [0.1947] \times [\$182,670] / [30,000] = \$3,557$).

¹⁰ Source for Lines in Service: Corresponding denominator for MR-2 Report Rate Metrics as reported in monthly Carrier-to-Carrier Reports.

B. MOE: Doubling Provision

If an MOE weighted score is less than (farther from zero) or equal to the midpoint for three (3) consecutive months, the bill credits available will be doubled for that same three-month period for the applicable MOE category. The bill credits paid in the third month will include the incremental (doubling) impact of the two prior months as well as the doubled third month. The amounts will remain doubled until the month in which the MOE performance score is reduced in magnitude (closer to zero) to one-half the difference between the minimum and the midpoint, the one-quarter point. The midpoint and one-quarter values are shown in Tables A-7 through A-9 for each of the Modes of Entry.

C. MOE: Bill Credit Tables

Tables A-7 through A-9 depict the three Mode of Entry bill credit tables associated with performance score ranges. Also shown on each is the minimum (or upper) threshold, as well as the mid-point and quarter point score ranges associated with the doubling provision.

Table A-7: Loop Based MOE

Monthly Maximum Amount: \$182,670				
Minimum/Midpoint/Maximum	Score Range		Percentages	Amounts
Upper Threshold: -0.11515	<	And ≥		
		-0.11515	0.00%	\$0
	-0.11515	-0.14435	10.00%	\$18,267
	-0.14435	-0.17356	14.74%	\$26,920
	-0.17356	-0.20276	19.47%	\$35,573
One-quarter: -0.25387	-0.20276	-0.23196	24.21%	\$44,225
	-0.23196	-0.26116	28.95%	\$52,878
	-0.26116	-0.29037	33.68%	\$61,531
	-0.29037	-0.31957	38.42%	\$70,184
	-0.31957	-0.34877	43.16%	\$78,837
Midpoint: -0.39258	-0.34877	-0.37797	47.89%	\$87,489
	-0.37797	-0.40718	52.63%	\$96,142
	-0.40718	-0.43638	57.37%	\$104,795
	-0.43638	-0.46558	62.11%	\$113,448
	-0.46558	-0.49478	66.84%	\$122,100
	-0.49478	-0.52399	71.58%	\$130,753
	-0.52399	-0.55319	76.32%	\$139,406
	-0.55319	-0.58239	81.05%	\$148,059
	-0.58239	-0.61159	85.79%	\$156,712
	-0.61159	-0.64080	90.53%	\$165,364
Lower Threshold: -0.67000	-0.64080	-0.67000	95.26%	\$174,017
	-0.67000		100.00%	\$182,670

Table A-8: Resale – POTS MOE

Monthly Maximum Amount: \$60,890				
Minimum/Midpoint/Maximum	Score Range		Percentages	Amounts
Upper Threshold: -0.13278	<	And ≥		
		-0.13278	0.00%	\$0
	-0.13278	-0.16105	10.00%	\$6,089
	-0.16105	-0.18933	14.74%	\$8,973
	-0.18933	-0.21760	19.47%	\$11,858
One-quarter: -0.26709	-0.21760	-0.24588	24.21%	\$14,742
	-0.24588	-0.27415	28.95%	\$17,626
	-0.27415	-0.30243	33.68%	\$20,510
	-0.30243	-0.33070	38.42%	\$23,395
	-0.33070	-0.35898	43.16%	\$26,279
Midpoint: -0.40139	-0.35898	-0.38725	47.89%	\$29,163
	-0.38725	-0.41553	52.63%	\$32,047
	-0.41553	-0.44380	57.37%	\$34,932
	-0.44380	-0.47208	62.11%	\$37,816
	-0.47208	-0.50035	66.84%	\$40,700
	-0.50035	-0.52863	71.58%	\$43,584
	-0.52863	-0.55690	76.32%	\$46,469
	-0.55690	-0.58518	81.05%	\$49,353
	-0.58518	-0.61345	85.79%	\$52,237
	-0.61345	-0.64173	90.53%	\$55,121
Lower Threshold: -0.67000	-0.64173	-0.67000	95.26%	\$58,006
	-0.67000		100.00%	\$60,890

Table A-9: Interconnection Trunks MOE

Monthly Maximum Amount: \$60,890				
Minimum/Midpoint/Maximum	Score Range		Percentages	Amounts
Upper Threshold: -0.17857	<	And ≥		
		-0.17857	0.00%	\$ 0
	-0.17857	-0.24176	10.00%	\$6,089
	-0.24176	-0.30494	16.92%	\$10,304
One-quarter: -0.38393	-0.30494	-0.36813	23.85%	\$14,520
	-0.36813	-0.43132	30.77%	\$18,735
	-0.43132	-0.49450	37.69%	\$22,951
	-0.49450	-0.55769	44.62%	\$27,166
Midpoint: -0.58929	-0.55769	-0.62088	51.54%	\$31,382
	-0.62088	-0.68407	58.46%	\$35,597
	-0.68407	-0.74725	65.38%	\$39,813
	-0.74725	-0.81044	72.31%	\$44,028
Lower Threshold: -1.00000	-0.81044	-0.87363	79.23%	\$48,244
	-0.87363	-0.93681	86.15%	\$52,459
	-0.93681	-1.00000	93.08%	\$56,675
	-1.00000		100.00%	\$60,890

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I. CRITICAL MEASURES: MEASURES AND WEIGHTS

Verizon’s performance on each of the measures included in this section of the Plan is considered to be critical to the CLECs’ ability to compete in the New Hampshire local exchange market. Should Verizon performance miss an applicable performance standard for even one of these measures, the eligible CLECs will be entitled to bill credits. Each Critical Measure is assigned its own maximum penalty amount and has been given a weight relative to its importance to the marketplace. Table B-1 below demonstrates the annual and monthly amounts of bill credits at risk under this section of the Plan.

Table B-1: Allocation of Incentive Amounts for Critical Measures

Critical Measures	
Annual Amount	\$7,483,224
Monthly Amount	\$623,602

II. CRITICAL MEASURES: THE AGGREGATE AND INDIVIDUAL RULES

In addition to measuring performance at the CLEC aggregate level (the “Aggregate Rule”), the Critical Measures take CLEC-specific performance into consideration as well (the “Individual Rule”). Each CLEC’s eligibility for Critical Measure bill credits is based on the corresponding CLEC-specific performance.¹¹

A. Aggregate Rule

For each Critical Measure, Verizon’s performance for all CLECs during a given month will be evaluated at the CLEC state-aggregate level. Should the resulting CLEC aggregate performance score for any Critical Measure fall to -1 or below, bill credits for that measure will

¹¹ Note that metrics PO-2-02-6010, PO-2-02-6020, PO-2-02-6080, and PO-4-01-6660 which are measured at the aggregate level only for Critical Measures and any bill credits due are prorated by lines in service during the corresponding report period.

be payable to the eligible CLECs. The eligible CLECs are all those CLECs with qualified misses for that month. *See* Appendix C for scoring methodologies.

If the aggregate level performance score is -1 or worse, individual CLECs with qualified misses would be entitled to bill credits for that Critical Measure. For performance scores between -1 and -2, the bill credits will increase by ten equal incremental amounts based on the actual performance for a Benchmark measure and the equivalent z-score for a Parity measure. If the aggregate score falls to a -2, the maximum bill credits for that Critical Measure will be applied. *See* Tables B-2 and B-3 below. The amounts payable to each CLEC will be determined based upon individual CLEC performance as defined in Sections III and IV of this appendix.

B. Individual Rule

Additionally, if Verizon meets the performance standard in the Aggregate, but provides service to any individual CLEC resulting in a -3 performance score,¹² Verizon will credit that individual CLEC's bill. *See* Appendix C, Table C-2 for details.

III. CRITICAL MEASURES: PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Like the MOE performance scoring, Verizon's performance on each of the measures within the Critical Measures section will be evaluated monthly at the industry (CLEC Aggregate) level. Parity and Benchmark performance for each metric is transformed into a performance score of "0", "-1", or "-2". The Critical Measures Aggregate Rule also applies the performance scoring and small sample criteria described in Appendices C and D.

The Individual Rule ensures that individual CLECs are not disadvantaged when the industry's aggregate performance is acceptable, and some individual CLEC's service is poorer. This rule is applied only when the Aggregate Rule is not triggered in a given reporting period. A

¹² *See* Appendix C for details on -1, -2 and -3 performance scores.

“-3” performance score at the CLEC-specific level will be used to determine eligibility for Individual Rule payments. *See* Appendix C for details.

IV. CRITICAL MEASURES: BILL CREDIT CALCULATION

A. Incentive Amounts for Critical Measures

Given the total annual dollars assigned to Critical Measures, Table B-2 allocates dollars by percent to each metric by assigned weight.

Table B-2: Allocation of Critical Measure Weights and Incentive Dollars

Mode	Metric Number	Metric Name	Product	Weight	Standard Type	Maximum Bill Credit	Individual Rule Evaluation
Loop	OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	10	Benchmark	\$17,920	Yes
Loop	OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark	\$8,960	Yes
Loop	OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark	\$8,960	Yes
Loop	PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE/Resale 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Loop	PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE POTS Loop New	10	Parity	\$17,920	Yes
Loop	PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Benchmark	\$3,584	Yes
Loop	PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE POTS - Loop - New	10	Parity	\$17,920	Yes
Loop	PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Loop	PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop Basic Hot Cut (all line size)	20	Benchmark	\$35,839	Yes
Loop	PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut (all line size)	10	Benchmark	\$17,920	Yes
Loop	PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Basic Hot Cut (all line size)	20	Benchmark	\$35,839	Yes
Loop	PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut (all line size)	10	Benchmark	\$17,920	Yes
Loop	MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	UNE POTS Loop	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Loop	MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Loop	MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity	\$17,920	Yes
Resale	OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	10	Parity	\$17,920	Yes
Resale	OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Resale	PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon -- Dispatch	Resale POTS	10	Parity	\$17,920	Yes
Resale	PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS	20	Parity	\$35,839	Yes
Resale	PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS	15	Parity	\$26,879	Yes

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Mode	Metric Number	Metric Name	Product	Weight	Standard Type	Maximum Bill Credit	Individual Rule Evaluation
Resale	MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Business	1	Parity	\$1,792	Yes
Resale	MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Residence	1	Parity	\$1,792	Yes
Resale	MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Business	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Resale	MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Trunks	OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC) (<= 192 Forecasted Trunks)	5	Benchmark	\$8,960	Yes
Trunks	OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Benchmark	\$17,920	Yes
Trunks	PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP	20	Benchmark	\$35,839	Yes
Trunks	PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning – Trunks	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	20	Benchmark	\$35,839	Yes
Trunks	NP-1-04-5000	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Standard - Three (3) Months	CLEC Trunks	10	Benchmark	\$17,920	No
Specials	OR-1-06-3211	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Specials DS1	2	Benchmark	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	OR-2-04-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE/Resale Specials	2	Benchmark	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	OR-2-06-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE/Resale Specials	2	Benchmark	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-1210	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS0	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-1211	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS1	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-1213	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS3	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-3530	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE IOF	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	PR-4-02-1200	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE/Resale Specials	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	PR-4-02-3530	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE IOF	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Specials	PR-5-01-1200	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	UNE/Resale Specials	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Specials	PR-5-02-1200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Specials	PR-6-01-1200	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	5	Parity	\$8,960	Yes
Specials	MR-4-01-1216	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes

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Mode	Metric Number	Metric Name	Product	Weight	Standard Type	Maximum Bill Credit	Individual Rule Evaluation
Specials	MR-4-01-1217	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	MR-4-08-1216	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Specials	MR-4-08-1217	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	2	Parity	\$3,584	Yes
Other	PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	WPTS	2	Benchmark	\$3,584	No
Other	PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI	5	Benchmark	\$8,960	No
Other	PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Maintenance Web GUI (RETAS) / Pre-ordering/Ordering Web GUI combined	5	Benchmark	\$8,960	No
Other	PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notification/Confirmation: Types 3, 4 and 5 (combined)	10	Benchmark	\$17,920	No
Other	BI-9-01-1000	% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles	Resale & UNE combined	25	Benchmark	\$44,799	Yes
		Monthly Total		348		\$623,602	
		Annual Total				\$7,483,224	

B. Bill Credit Calculation: Aggregate Rule

The following steps will be taken to determine which CLECs will be entitled to Bill Credits pursuant to the Aggregate Rule, *i.e.*, when aggregate CLEC performance falls below standard for a Critical Measure.

1. Calculate Total Dollars Available for Bill Credits Per Critical Measure Per Month

Example tables appear below using statistical and performance scores for a parity measure, and using performance results and scores for a Benchmark measure.

**Table B-3:
Example Bill Credits for a Parity Critical Measure with \$17,920 Allocation**

Statistical Score		Performance Score	Increment	Dollars
From	To			
	>-1.645	0	0%	\$0
≤ -1.645	>-1.8095	-1	50%	\$8,960
≤ -1.8095	> -1.9740	-1	55%	\$9,856
≤ -1.9740	> -2.1385	-1	60%	\$10,752
≤ -2.1385	> -2.3030	-1	65%	\$11,648
≤ -2.3030	> -2.4675	-1	70%	\$12,544
≤ -2.4675	> -2.6320	-1	75%	\$13,440
≤ -2.6320	> -2.7965	-1	80%	\$14,336
≤ -2.7965	> -2.9610	-1	85%	\$15,232
≤ -2.9610	> -3.1255	-1	90%	\$16,128
≤ -3.1255	> -3.2900	-1	95%	\$17,024
≤ -3.290		-2	100%	\$17,920

Table B-4:
Example Bill Credits for a 95% Benchmark Critical Measure and \$17,920¹³ Allocation

% Performance		Performance	Increment	Dollars
From	To	Score		
	≥ 95.0	0	0%	\$0
< 95.0	≥ 94.5	-1	50%	\$8,960
< 94.5	≥ 94.0	-1	55%	\$9,856
< 94.0	≥ 93.5	-1	60%	\$10,752
< 93.5	≥ 93.0	-1	65%	\$11,648
< 93.0	≥ 92.5	-1	70%	\$12,544
< 92.5	≥ 92.0	-1	75%	\$13,440
< 92.0	≥ 91.5	-1	80%	\$14,336
< 91.5	≥ 91.0	-1	85%	\$15,232
< 91.0	≥ 90.5	-1	90%	\$16,128
< 90.5	≥ 90.0	-1	95%	\$17,024
< 90.0		-2	100%	\$17,920

2. Aggregate Performance Determines the Bill Credits Available for Critical Measure Metrics

For Critical Measure aggregate CLEC performance resulting in -1 or -2 performance scores, the aggregate performance score and the Statistical score for parity metrics (Table B-3) or the aggregate performance result for benchmark metrics (Table B-4) will be used to determine the bill credits available for each metric as shown in the tables above. A metric with a benchmark standard and a small sample size (defined in Appendix C) in a given month that is assigned a performance score of “-1” from Table C-1 in the same month, will result in an allocation of 50% for that month.

3. Determine Which CLECs Qualify for the Market Adjustment

For Parity measures, where the statistical score is used, and the statistical score for the aggregate performance is less than (more negative than) -1.645, CLECs with “qualified misses” will be eligible for a portion of the bill credits. When calculating a market adjustment for

¹³ For Performance Measures with other benchmark standards, the range of performance will be similarly distributed in 10 even increments.

metrics that use Benchmark standards (generally a 95% standard) all CLECs at the -1 level or less would qualify. The calculation of the dollars is similar to the statistical score method.

“Qualified misses” are described below.

4. Steps Used to Calculate the Individual Market Adjustments for Qualified CLECs

a. Determine Each CLEC’s Qualified Misses

Each CLEC’s allocation depends upon its individual share of qualified volume that is eligible for bill credits. Qualified volume is a portion of the total volume for the measure during the month based upon each CLEC’s individual performance and the standard for the measure. For each eligible CLEC, determine the difference between the CLEC’s individual performance and the corresponding standard used to determine the metric “miss.” Divide this difference by 100 and multiply this by the CLEC’s total volume for the measure in the performance month to determine the qualified volume ($[\text{qualified volume}] = [\text{performance standard} - \text{CLEC performance}] / 100 \times [\text{CLEC observations}]$).

b. Determine Each CLEC’s Market Adjustment Amount Per Qualified Miss

Divide the aggregate market adjustment amount that corresponds to the metric’s aggregate performance during that month by the sum of the CLEC qualified misses for that metric from Step (a) to determine the market adjustment per qualified miss.

c. Determine Each CLEC’s Dollar Share

Multiply each eligible CLEC’s qualified misses by the market adjustment amount per qualified miss.

Tables B-5 and B-6, below, illustrate how CLEC Aggregate Rule bill credits allocations are calculated for metrics with Benchmark and Parity standards.

Table B-5: Example Aggregate Rule Allocation for a Benchmark Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf/ Bnchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualified Misses	Agg Bill credit/ miss	Agg Bill Credit
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Agg	95.00	89.30		1,000				\$17,920
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC1>	95.00	95.00		300		0.0	\$ 314	\$ 0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC2>	95.00	92.00		200		6.0	\$ 314	\$1,886
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC3>	95.00	88.00		200		14.0	\$ 314	\$4,401
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC4>	95.00	88.00		100		7.0	\$ 314	\$2,201
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC5>	95.00	80.00		200		30.0	\$ 314	\$9,432
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Total		89.30				57.0		\$17,920

Table B-6: Example Aggregate Rule Allocation for a Parity Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf/ Bnchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualified Misses	Agg Bill credit/ miss	Agg Bill Credit
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Agg	4.00	6.00	10,000	1,000	-2.7981			\$3,046
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC1>	4.00	4.00	10,000	300	0.1065	0.0	\$ 152	\$ 0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC2>	4.00	8.00	10,000	200	-2.4214	8.0	\$ 152	\$1,218
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC3>	4.00	6.00	10,000	200	-1.2212	4.0	\$ 152	\$ 609
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC4>	4.00	6.00	10,000	100	-0.7928	2.0	\$ 152	\$ 305
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC5>	4.00	7.00	10,000	200	-1.8361	6.0	\$ 152	\$ 914
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Total		6.00				20.0		\$3,046

C. Bill Credit Calculation: Individual Rule

1. Determine If Any CLECs Qualify for Bill Credit Adjustment

If there are no Aggregate Rule payments in the report period, individual CLECs qualify for Individual Rule Bill Credits if they received a performance score equal to -3 on any of the measures included in the Critical Measures for the applicable month that is evaluated for the Individual Rule.

2. Determine Each CLEC's Bill Credit Adjustment Base (Qualified Misses)

The difference between the standard and the CLEC's individual performance is used to determine the CLEC's qualified misses as described under the Aggregate Rule for the report period.

3. Calculate Bill Credit Adjustment to Apply to the CLECs Impacted

The full (100%) monthly at risk dollars are used to develop a rate for the Individual Rule in the following manner. The total dollars at risk for a critical measure (shown in Table B-2) are divided by one third of the CLEC-Aggregate observations to create a bill credit rate for the Individual Rule. For example, metric OR-1-02-3331, % On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs, shows \$17,920 in bill credits assigned in Table B-1. If there were 1,000 observations at the CLEC aggregate level, one third of those observations would equal 333. The rate used for the individual rule on that metric would then be \$ 54 per qualified miss $\$17,920 \div 333 = \$ 54$. This rate is multiplied by the CLEC's qualified misses to determine the amount to be credited to the CLEC for that Critical Measure. The Individual Rule payment applies to the full 100% credit level when the individual CLEC receives service at the -3 level (*i.e.*, there is no 50% to 100% scaling of payment rates as is done for the Aggregate Rule).

4. Examples of Individual Rule Bill Credit Calculation

a. Benchmark Measure Example

For Benchmarks, the Individual Rule will be triggered by a performance score of -3 for CLEC-specific performance (assuming the aggregate performance score was 0). The qualified misses will be calculated as the difference between the CLEC-specific performance and the C2C standard,¹⁴ divided by 100, and multiplied by the CLEC-specific observations.

For example, if for a metric with a 95% Benchmark Standard, Aggregate performance is 95.10 and a CLEC's specific performance was 84.00% for 100 observations, the Individual Rule eligibility would be determined by the 84.00% CLEC-specific performance being less than 95.00%. However, the qualified misses would be determined by the difference between 84.00% and the 95% C2C standard, *e.g.*, $[95.00 - 84.00] / 100 * 100 = 11$ qualified misses].

b. Parity Measure Example

For Parity, the Individual Rule will be triggered by performance score of -3 where the z-score is less (more negative) than -4.935 for CLEC-specific performance (assuming the aggregate performance score was 0). The qualified misses will be calculated as the difference between the CLEC-specific performance and the VZ retail compare performance, divided by 100, and multiplied by the CLEC-specific observations.

For example, if an individual CLEC's specific performance was 12.50% for 200 observations on a missed appointment metric, which resulted in a z-score being less (more negative) than -4.935, and VZ's retail performance was 4% while the CLEC-aggregate performance was 5.10%, the Individual Rule would apply. The qualified misses would be

¹⁴ See Appendix C, Table C-2, for each of the Benchmark metrics the C2C score is translated into a "0" performance score.

determined by the difference between 4.00% VZ performance and the 12.50% CLEC specific performance, *e.g.*, $[12.50 - 4.00] / 100 * 200 = 17$ qualified misses)].

Tables B-7 and B-8 illustrate how CLEC Individual Rule bill credits are calculated for metrics with Benchmark and Parity standards.

Table B-7: Example Individual Rule Calculation for a Benchmark Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf./ Bchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualifie d Misses	Ind Bill credit/ miss	Ind Bill Credit
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Agg	95.00	95.10		1,000				
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC1>	95.00	99.00		300		0.0	\$ 54	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC2>	95.00	98.00		200		0.0	\$ 54	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC3>	95.00	88.00		200		14.0	\$ 54	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC4>	95.00	84.00		100		11.0	\$ 54	\$ 594
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC5>	95.00	99.00		200		0.0	\$ 54	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Total		95.10				57.0		\$ 594

Table B-8: Example Individual Rule Calculation for a Parity Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf./ Bchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualifie d Misses	Ind Bill credit/ miss	Ind Bill Credit
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Agg	4.00	5.00	10,000	1,000	-1.4188			
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC1>	4.00	1.00	10,000	200	2.7715	0.0	\$ 11	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC2>	4.00	11.00	10,000	300	-4.9496	21.0	\$ 11	\$ 231
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC3>	4.00	5.00	10,000	200	-0.5696	2.0	\$ 11	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC4>	4.00	5.00	10,000	100	-0.3237	1.0	\$ 11	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC5>	4.00	0.00	10,000	200	5.0000	0.0	\$ 11	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Total		5.00				24.0		\$ 231

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APPENDIX C: Performance Evaluation Methodology

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The Performance Assurance Plan uses the following methodologies to evaluate performance for the purposes of market adjustment calculations.

I. PERFORMANCE SCORES

A. Performance Scores for Measures with Parity Standards

Performance for metrics with Parity standards is evaluated according to the statistical procedures defined in Appendix D. Table C-2, which appears at the end of this appendix, shows how statistical scores are converted into performance scores of “0”, “-1”, and “-2” in Mode of Entry and Critical Measures and into a performance score of “-3” for the Individual Rule in Critical Measures. If there is no, or insufficient, CLEC activity in any metric, the metric is scored as a “0”.

B. Performance Scores for Measures with Benchmark Standards

Performance for metrics with Benchmark standards, *i.e.*, metrics without retail analogs, is evaluated against pre-established standards. Table C-2 shows how performance for metrics with Benchmark standards is converted into performance scores of “0”, “-1”, and “-2” in Mode of Entry and Critical Measures, and into a performance score of “-3” for the Individual Rule in Critical Measures, when there is sufficient sample size. If there is no CLEC activity in any metric, the metric is scored as a “0”. Scoring requirements for small sample size is defined below.

1. Small Sample Benchmark Scoring Procedures

For Counted Variables 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. Some Benchmark metrics have standards such that higher than the benchmark is better (HIB). Other Benchmark metrics have standards where lower than the benchmark is better performance (LIB). The number of observations (“n”) necessary to qualify as a “small” sample on Benchmark measures for the allowable miss table is determined using the applicable performance standard in one of the following two formulas:

$$\text{HIB: } n < \{1/[1-\text{standard}]\}$$

$$\text{LIB: } n < \{1/[\text{standard}]\}$$

Table C-1 shows the application of performance scores if the number of observations “n” meets the requirements above.

Table C-1: Allowable Miss Table for Small Sample Size Benchmark Scoring

	CLEC Aggregate Scoring			CLEC Individual Rule Scoring
	0	-1	-2	-3
Number of Misses	≤ 1	2	3	>3

Applying this formula to a performance standard of 95%, where higher performance is better, the sample size “n” would have to be less than $(1 \div (1-0.95))$ or 20 in order to use the table. For a performance standard of 2%, where lower performance is better, “n” would have to be less than $(1 \div 0.02)$ or 50 to use the table. The following table shows performance scores for a 95% and 2% metrics using this methodology:

Examples:

Performance Standard	CLEC Aggregate or Individual Rule	Number of Observations	Performance	# of Misses	Performance Score
95%	Aggregate	12	83.33%	2	-1
95%	Individual	18	77.78%	4	-3
95%	Aggregate	9	88.88%	1	0
2%	Aggregate	42	7.14%	3	-2
2%	Individual	22	4.55%	1	0
2%	Aggregate	10	10.00%	1	0

2. CLEC Exceptions

Each month each CLEC will have the right to challenge the allowable misses or exclusions that Verizon 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 demonstrating that the exclusion will have a significant impact on the operations of the CLEC's business and that Verizon should not be allowed to exclude the event pursuant to the above table. Verizon will have a right to respond to such a challenge by a CLEC.

The Timeline for CLEC Exceptions will be the same as the Timeline for Verizon Exceptions under the small sample size section in Appendix D. If a CLEC's Exception Petition is granted, the appropriate bill credits will be reflected on the CLEC's bill as soon as is practical.

C. Waivers

Recognizing that C2C service quality data may be influenced by factors beyond Verizon's control, Verizon may file Exception or Waiver petitions with the Commission seeking to have the monthly service quality results modified on three generic grounds.

The first involves the potential for “clustering” of data, and the effect that such clustering has on the statistical models used in this Plan. The requirements of the clustering exception are set forth in Appendix D.

The second ground for filing exceptions relates to CLEC behavior. If performance for any measure is impacted by unusual CLEC behavior, Verizon will bring such behavior to the attention of the CLEC and attempt to resolve the problem. If such action negatively influences Verizon’s performance on any metric, Verizon is permitted to petition for relief. The petition, which will be filed with the Commission and served on the CLEC, will provide appropriate, detailed documentation of the events, and will demonstrate that the CLEC behavior has caused Verizon to miss the service quality target. Verizon’s petition must include all data that demonstrates how the measure was missed. It should also include information that excludes the data affected by the CLEC behavior. CLECs and other interested parties will be given an opportunity to respond to any Verizon petition for an Exception. If the Commission determines that the service results were influenced by inappropriate CLEC behavior, the data will be excluded from the monthly reports.

The third ground for filing Waivers relates to situations beyond Verizon’s control that negatively affect its ability to satisfy only those measures with Benchmark standards. 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, or other events beyond Verizon’s control. Other events beyond Verizon’s control may include random variation. Verizon may therefore petition the Commission for a waiver of specific performance

results for those metrics that have performance targets dictated by Benchmark standards, if Verizon's performance results do not meet the specific standard.

Any petition pursuant to this provision, except for random variation described below, must demonstrate clearly and convincingly the following: the extraordinary nature of the circumstances involved; the impact that the circumstances had on Verizon's service quality; why Verizon's normal, reasonable preparations for difficult situations proved inadequate; and the specific days affected by the event. The petition must also include an analysis of the extent to which the parity metrics (retail and wholesale) were affected by the subject event.

Any petition pursuant to this provision for random variation must demonstrate that there was more than a 5% chance that the observed result was caused by random variation. In addition, Verizon shall provide the Commission detailed information demonstrating that Verizon's underlying wholesale processes were operating and managed to be at or above the performance standard.

Any waiver petition must be filed within 45 days from the end of month in which the event occurred. The Commission will determine which, if any, of the daily and monthly results should be adjusted in light of the extraordinary event or random variation 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.

The resolution of a waiver exception request will occur prior to the scheduled payment of bill credits for a report period. To facilitate this, any petition seeking a waiver shall be filed within 45 days of the last day of the month in which the challenged event occurred. CLECs will have 10 days to serve and file replies to Verizon-requested exceptions. A timeline can be found in Appendix F.

II. PERFORMANCE SCORE TABLES

As noted above, Table C-2 below is used to convert Verizon's performance on the Parity and Benchmark metrics into scores of "0", "-1", "-2", or "-3" (for Individual Rule only). Table C-3 lists the numerous metrics with a Benchmark standard of 95%.

III. PERFORMANCE METRICS WITH PRODUCT COMBINATIONS DIFFERENT THAN C2C REPORTS

Certain products for some performance measures are reported and evaluated on a combined basis under the Performance Assurance Plan. Table C-4 lists the metrics that report performance of products on a combined basis. CLEC performance for these metrics is combined on a weighted basis where there is activity in both products reported under the Carrier-to-Carrier reports.

Table C-2: Performance Scoring for Mode of Entry and/or Critical Measures (as applicable)

Metric #'s	Measure	CLEC Aggregate Scoring			CLEC-Specific or Individual Rule Scoring
		0 Standard	-1 Standard	-2 Standard	-3 Standard
Various	All Metrics with Parity standards	Z score > -1.645 (less negative)	Z score ≤ -1.645 (equal or more negative) and > -3.290 (less negative)	Z score ≤ -3.290 (equal or more negative)	Z score ≤ -4.935 (equal or more negative)
Various	All Metrics with 95% standards ¹⁵	≥ 95%	≥ 90 and < 95%	< 90%	< 85%
PO-1-01 PO-1-03 PO-1-06 MR-1-01 MR-1-06	OSS Response Time Measures Excluding WEB GUI	≤ 4 second difference	> 4 and ≤ 6 second difference	> 6 second difference	N/A
PO-1-01 PO-1-03 PO-1-06	OSS Response Time Measures for WEB GUI	≤ 7 second difference	> 7 and ≤ 9 second difference	> 9 second difference	N/A
PO-2-02	OSS System Availability - Prime	≥ 99.5%	≥ 98 and < 99.5%	< 98%	N/A
OR-6-03-2000 OR-6-03-3331	% Accuracy-LSRC % Accuracy-LSRC-Loop	≤ 5%	> 5% and ≤ 10%	> 10%	<u>N/A</u>

¹⁵ A list of applicable 95% standards can be found on Table C-3.

Metric #'s	Measure	CLEC Aggregate Scoring			CLEC-Specific or Individual Rule Scoring
		0 Standard	-1 Standard	-2 Standard	-3 Standard
PR-6-02-3520 PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles within 7 Days - Hot Cuts (Basic and Large Job)	≤ 2%	> 2% and ≤ 3%	> 3%	> 4.5%
NP-1-03 ¹⁶	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked for 2 Months	Final Interconnection Trunks meeting or exceeding blocking standard for less than two months	An individual Final Interconnection Trunk group exceeding blocking standard for 2 months in a row	N/A	N/A
NP-1-04	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked for 3 Months	Final Interconnection Trunks meeting or exceeding blocking standard for less than three months	N/A	An individual Final Interconnection Trunk group exceeding blocking standard for 3 months in a row	N/A
BI-9	% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles	≥ 96%	≥ 92 and < 96%	< 92%	< 88%

¹⁶ When evaluating a particular data month, the final performance scoring determination for metric NP-1-03 scored with a “-1” (missed standard in question) is dependent on two additional performance scores for the same measure in adjacent months. If the two other scores are both “0” (met standard), then the “-1” performance score is converted to a “0” performance score for the data month under evaluation. If either of the two other scores is “-1” (missed standard in question), or “-2” (missed standard probable), then the “-1” performance score remains as a “-1”. Once the final performance score is determined to be “0” or “-1”, it will then be used in conjunction with all of the other performance scores and weights for metrics in the Trunks MOE category to determine an aggregate weighted score.

Table C-3: Performance Metrics with 95% Performance Standard

	Pre-Ordering
PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices sent on Time (type 3,4,5)
PO-8-01-6000	% On Time-Manual Loop Qualification
	Ordering
OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx-2hrs
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs
OR-1-04-2320	% OT LSRC-No Facility Chk-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx
OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)
OR-1-06-3211	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)-UNE DS1
OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)
OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC Interconnection Trunks
OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record
OR-1-19-5020	% On Time Response-Request for Inbound Aug(<=192)
OR-2-02-2320	% On Time LSR Rej-Flow Thru-POTS/Pre-Qualified Complex
OR-2-02-3331	% On Time LSR Reject-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual
OR-2-04-1200	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-UNE/Resale Specials
OR-2-04-2320	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx
OR-2-04-3331	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-Loop/LNP
OR-2-04-3341	% On Time LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-2W Digital-UNE
OR-2-04-3342	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-2W xDSL Loops
OR-2-06-1200	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-UNE/Resale Specials
OR-2-06-2320	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx
OR-2-06-3331	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-Loop/LNP
OR-2-06-3341	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-2W Digital-UNE
OR-2-12-5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject
OR-4-16-1000	% On Time PCN-1 Business Day
OR-5-03-2000	% Flow Through-Achieved-POTS
OR-5-03-3112	% Flow Through-Achieved-POTS
	Provisioning
PR-3-10-3342	% Comp w/in 6 Days (1-5 lines) Tot-2W xDSL Loops
PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance-LNP only
PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time-2W xDSL Loops
PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning-Trunks
PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance-Loop-Basic Hot Cut
PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance-Loop-Lg Job Hot Cut
	Billing
BI-1-02-1000	% DUF in 4 Business Days

Table C-4: Metrics with Combined Products

PAP Metric #	Metric Title	PAP Products	Combination of C2C Metric #s	Combination of C2C Products
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE/Resale 2-Wire Digital Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-04-3341 PR-4-04-2341 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops Resale 2-Wire Digital Svcs
OR-2-04-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OR-2-04-3200 OR-2-04-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
OR-2-06-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OR-2-06-3200 OR-2-06-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-4-01-1210	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-01-3210 PR-4-01-2210 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS0 Resale Specials DS0
PR-4-01-1211	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-01-3211 PR-4-01-2211 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS1 Resale Specials DS1
PR-4-01-1213	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-01-3213 PR-4-01-2213 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS3 Resale Specials DS3
PR-4-02-1200	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-02-3200 PR-4-02-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-5-01-1200	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-5-01-3200 PR-5-01-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-5-02-1200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-5-02-3200 PR-5-02-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-6-01-1200	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-6-01-3200 PR-6-01-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
MR-4-01-1216	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-01-3216 MR-4-01-2216 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials NonDS0 & DS0 Resale Specials s Non DS0 & DS0
MR-4-01-1217	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-01-3217 MR-4-01-2217 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS1 & DS3 Resale Specials DS1 & DS3
MR-4-08-1216	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-08-3216 MR-4-08-2216 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials NonDS0 & DS0 Resale Specials s Non DS0 & DS0
MR-4-08-1217	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-08-3217 MR-4-08-2217 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS1 & DS3 Resale Specials DS1 & DS3
PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notification/ Confirmation: Types 3, 4 and 5 (Combined)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PO-4-01-6661 PO-4-01-6662 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change Notification Type 3, 4 & 5 Change Confirmation Type 3, 4 & 5

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APPENDIX D: Performance Evaluation Methodology

APPENDIX D: STATISTICAL EVALUATION PROCEDURES

The Performance Assurance Plan uses the following methodologies for evaluating performance for the purposes of market adjustment calculations for Parity Measures.

I. CARRIER TO CARRIER STATISTICAL METRIC EVALUATION PROCEDURES

Statistical evaluation is used here as a tool to assess whether the Verizon's wholesale service performance to the Competitive Local Exchange Companies (CLECs) is at least equal in quality to the service performance that Verizon provides to itself (i.e., parity). Carrier-to-Carrier (C2C) measurements having a parity standard are metrics where both the CLEC and Verizon performance are reported.¹⁷

A. Statistical Framework

The statistical tests of the null hypothesis of parity against the alternative hypothesis of non-parity defined in these guidelines use Verizon and CLEC observational data. Verizon 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 mean performance is at least equal to or better than the Verizon mean performance.

Statistical tests should be performed under the following conditions.

- 1) The data must be reasonably free of measurement/reporting error.
- 2) Verizon to CLEC comparisons should be reasonably like to like.

¹⁷ 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 Opinion 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."

- 3) The minimum sample size requirement for statistical testing is met.

(Section B)

- 4) The observations are independent. (Section D)

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

To the extent that the data and/or operational analysis indicate that additional analysis is warranted, a metric may be taken to the Carrier Working Group for investigation.

B. Sample Size Requirements

The assumptions that underlie the C2C Guidelines statistical models include the requirement that the two groups of data are comparable. With larger sample sizes, differences in characteristics associated with individual customers are more likely to average out. With smaller sample sizes, the characteristics of the sample may not reasonably represent those of the population. Meaningful statistical analysis may be performed and confident conclusions may be drawn, if the sample size is sufficiently large to minimize the violations of the assumptions underlying the statistical model.

The following sample size requirements, based upon both statistical considerations and also some practical judgment, indicate the minimum sample sizes above which parity metric test results (for both counted and measured variables) may permit reasonable statistical conclusions.

The statistical tests defined in these guidelines are valid under the following conditions:

If there are only 6 of one group (Verizon 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.

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, it may be taken to the Carrier Working Group for alternative evaluation. In such instances, 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.

C. Statistical Testing Procedures

Parity metric measurements that meet the sample size criteria in Section B will be evaluated according to the one-tailed permutation test procedure defined below.

Combine the Verizon and CLEC observations into one group, where the total number of observations is $n_{VZ} + n_{clec}$. 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 Verizon 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 Verizon and CLEC sample means is due to random variation.

Permutation test *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 Verizon 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 Verizon 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 a Z statistics equal to or less than -5.0000 are displayed as -5.0000 .

Alternative computational procedures (i.e., computationally more efficient procedures) may be used to perform measured and counted variable permutation tests so long as those procedures produce the same p-values as would be obtained by the permutation test procedure described above. The results should not vary at or before the fourth decimal place to the Z score equivalent associated with the result generated from the exact permutation test (i.e., the test based upon the exact number of combinations of n_{clec} from the combined $n_{VZ} + n_{clec}$).

Measured Variables (i.e., metrics of intervals, such as mean time to repair or average delay days):

The following permutation test procedure is applied to measured variable metrics:

1. Compute and store the mean for the original CLEC data set.
2. Combine the Verizon and CLEC data to form one data set.
3. Draw a random sample without replacement of size n_{clec} (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 re-samples 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 Verizon mean. Otherwise, the data support the belief that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the Verizon mean.
8. Generate the C2C Report “Z Score Equivalent,” known in this document as the standard normal Z score that has the same percentile as the test statistic.

Counted Variables (i.e., metrics of proportions, such as percent measures):

A hypergeometric distribution based procedure (a.k.a., Fisher’s Exact test)¹⁸ is an appropriate method to evaluate performance for counted metrics where performance is measured in terms 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

¹⁸ This procedure produces the same results as a permutation test of the equality of the means for the ILEC and CLEC distributions of 1s and 0s, where successes are recorded as 0s and failures as 1s.

standard normal cumulative distribution.

The hypergeometric distribution is as follows:

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

Where:

$p \text{ value}$ = the probability that the difference in the Verizon and CLEC sample

proportions could have arisen from random variation, assuming the null hypothesis

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

p_{clec} and p_{vz} = the proportions of CLEC and Verizon failed performance, for

percentages 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:

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

Where:

f_{clec} = CLEC failures in the chosen sample = $n_{clec} p_{clec}$

f_{vz} = Verizon failures in the chosen sample = $n_{vz} p_{vz}$

n_{clec} = size of the CLEC sample

n_{VZ} = size of the Verizon sample

Alternatively, the probability of observing **exactly** f_{clec} failures is given by:

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

Where:

s_{clec} = the number of CLEC successes = $n_{clec} (1 - p_{clec})$

s_{VZ} = the number of Verizon successes = $n_{VZ} (1 - p_{VZ})$

$f_{total} \equiv f_{clec} + f_{VZ}$

$s_{total} \equiv s_{clec} + s_{VZ}$

The probability of observing f_{clec} **or more** failures [$\Pr(i \geq f_{clec})$] 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 (s_{total}),
 - b. total number of failures (f_{total}),
 - c. total number of CLEC observations (n_{clec}), and the
 - d. total number of Verizon observations (n_{VZ}) remaining fixed.
3. Sum up all of the probabilities for $\Pr(i \geq f_{clec})$.
4. If that value is less than or equal to 0.05, then the null hypothesis is rejected.

D. Root Cause/Exceptions

Root Cause: If the permutation test shows an “out-of-parity” condition, Verizon may perform a root cause analysis to determine cause. Alternatively, Verizon may be required by the Carrier Working Group to perform a root cause analysis. If the cause is the result of “clustering” within the data, Verizon will provide such documentation.

Clustering Exceptions: Due to the definitional nature of the variables used in the performance measures, some comparisons may not meet the requirements for statistical testing. Individual data points may not be independent. The primary example of such non-independence is a cable failure. If a particular CLEC has fewer than 30 troubles and all are within the same cable failure with long duration, the performance will appear out of parity. However, for all troubles, including Verizon’s troubles, within that individual event, the trouble duration is identical.

Another example of clustering is if a CLEC has a small number of orders in a single location with a facility problem. If this facility problem exists for all customers served by that cable and is longer than the average facility problem, the orders are not independent and clustering occurs.

Finally, if root cause shows that the difference in performance is the result of CLEC behavior, Verizon will identify such behavior and work with the respective CLEC on corrective action.

Another assumption underlying the statistical models used here is the assumption that the data are independent. In some instances, events included in the performance measures of provisioning and maintenance of telecommunication services are not independent. The lack of independence contributes to “clustering” of data. Clustering occurs when individual items (orders, troubles, etc.) are clustered together as one single event. This being the case, Verizon

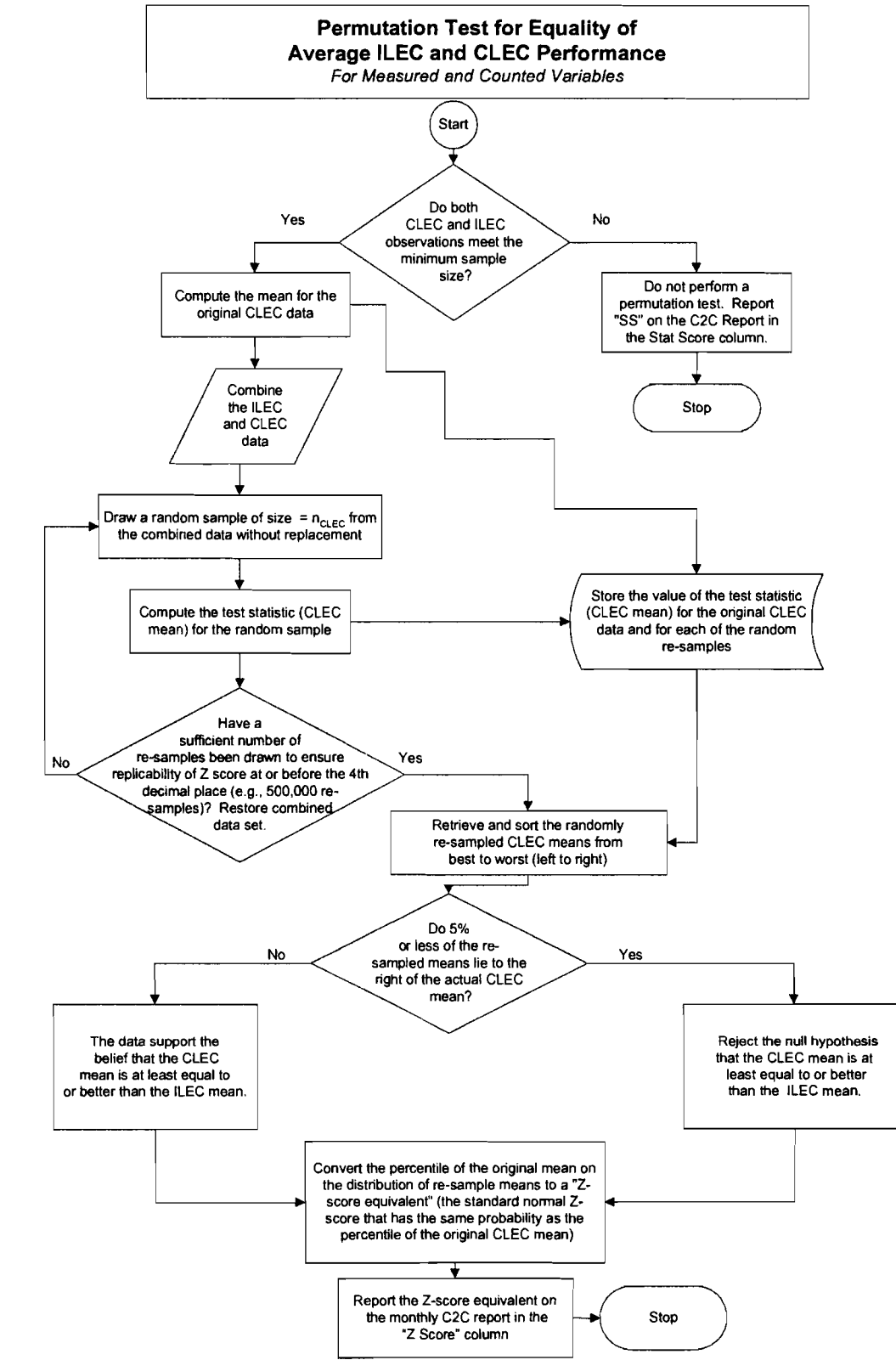
will have the right to file an exception to the performance scores in the Performance Assurance Plan if the following events occur:

- a) Event-Driven Clustering - Cable Failure: If a significant proportion of a CLEC's troubles are in a single cable failure, Verizon will provide data demonstrating that all troubles within that failure, including Verizon troubles, were resolved in an equivalent manner. Then, Verizon also will provide the repair performance data with that cable failure performance excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and Verizon and the remaining troubles will be compared according to normal statistical methodologies.
- b) Location-Driven Clustering - Facility Problems: 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, Verizon will provide the data demonstrating that the orders were "clustered" in a single facility shortfall. Then, Verizon will provide the provisioning performance with that data excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and Verizon 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.
- c) Time-Driven Clustering - Single Day Events: 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, Verizon will provide the data demonstrating the activity is on that day. Verizon will compare that single day's performance for the CLEC to Verizon own performance. Then Verizon will provide data with that day excluded from overall performance to demonstrate "parity."

CLEC Actions: If performance for any measure is impacted by unusual CLEC behavior, Verizon will bring such behavior to the attention of the CLEC to attempt resolution. Examples of CLEC behavior impacting performance results include order quality, causing excessive missed appointments; incorrect dispatch identification, resulting in excessive multiple dispatch and repeat reports, inappropriate X coding on orders, where extended due dates are desired; and delays in rescheduling appointments, when Verizon has missed an appointment. If such action negatively impacts performance, Verizon will provide appropriate detailed documentation of the events and communication to the individual CLEC and the Commission.

Documentation: Verizon will provide all necessary detailed documentation to support its claim that an exception is warranted, ensuring protection of customer proprietary information, to the CLEC(s) and Commission. Verizon and CLEC performance details include information on individual trouble reports or orders. For cable failures, Verizon will provide appropriate documentation detailing all other troubles associated with that cable failure.



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APPENDIX E: Sample Report Format

APPENDIX E: SAMPLE REPORT FORMAT

I. SAMPLE MARKET SUMMARY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon			Version 4.0
Section	Mode	Weighted Score	Market Adjustment
MOE	Loop Based		
MOE	Resale POTS		
MOE	Trunks		
MOE	Total		
Critical Measure	Total		
Individual Rule	Total		
All	Grand Total		

II. SAMPLE LOOP MODE OF ENTRY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon												Version 4.0
Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgt'd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
330			MOE-LOOP	Loop Based Mode of Entry Totals								
2			PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI							
2			PO-1-01-6030	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	CORBA							
5			PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
2			PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI							
2			PO-1-03-6030	Average Response Time - Address Validation	CORBA							
5			PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
2			PO-1-06-6020	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification - xOSL	EDI							
2			PO-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification - xDSL	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
5			PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime-Time	WPTS							
5			PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI							
5			PO-2-02-6030	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	CORBA							
5			PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Web GUI							
2			PO-8-01-6000	% On Time - Manual Loop Qualification	Systems Metrics							
10			OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-2-02-3331	% On Time LSR Reject - Flow-through	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-2-04-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
2			OR-2-04-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE 2W Digital							
2			OR-2-04-3342	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE 2W xDSL							
2			OR-2-06-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
2			OR-2-06-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE 2W Digital							
5			OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Comp. Notifiers sent - 1 Business Day	Resale/UNE (EDI)							
5			OR-5-03-3112	% Flow Through Achieved	UNE-L							
5			OR-6-03-3331	% Accuracy - LSRC	UNE-							
5			PR-3-10-3342	% Completed in six (6) Days one (1) to five (5) Lines - Total	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			PR-4-02-3112	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE-L							
2			PR-4-02-3341	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE 2W Digital							
5			PR-4-02-3342	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	UNE-L New							
2			PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale/UNE 2W							
2			PR-4-05-3341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	UNE 2W Digital							
2			PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			PR-5-01-3112	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	UNE-L							
5			PR-5-02-3112	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE-L							
10			PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE-L New							
2			PR-6-01-3341	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
10			PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							
20			PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Large Job							
2			PR-8-01-3341	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
5			PR-8-01-3342	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							
20			PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Large Job							
10			PR-9-08-3533	Average Duration of Hot Cut Installation Troubles	UNE-L Total HC							
2			MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA							
10			MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE-L							
2			MR-3-01-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2W Digital							
5			MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-3-02-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE-L							
2			MR-3-02-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W Digital							
5			MR-3-02-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-02-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-02-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-02-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-03-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-03-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-03-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
2			MR-4-04-3341	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-04-3342	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-07-3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-07-3341	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-07-3342	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE-L							
10			MR-5-01-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE-L							
2			MR-5-01-3341	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-5-01-3342	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							

III. SAMPLE RESALE MODE OF ENTRY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon												Version 4.0
Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgt'd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
241			MOE-Resale	Resale Mode of Entry Totals								
2			PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI							
2			PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
2			PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI							
2			PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
5			PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI							
5			PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Web GUI							
10			OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	Resale POTS/Pre-							
5			OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-							
5			OR-2-02-2320	% On Time LSR Reject - Flow-through	Resale POTS/Pre-							
2			OR-2-04-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Rej - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-							
2			OR-2-06-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Rej - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-							
5			OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Comp. Notifiers sent - 1 Business Day	Resale/UNE (EDI)							
10			OR-5-03-2000	% Flow Through Achieved	Resale							
10			OR-6-03-2000	% Accuracy - LSRC	Resale							
5			PR-3-01-2100	% Completed in 1 Day - one (1) to five (5) Lines - No Dispatch	Resale POTS							
15			PR-4-02-2100	Average Delay Days - Total	Resale POTS							
10			PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale POTS							
20			PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS							
5			PR-5-01-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	Resale POTS							
5			PR-5-02-2100	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Resale POTS							
15			PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS							
2			MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA							
2			MR-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Test Trouble (POTS Only)	LSI-TA							
10			MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Bus							
10			MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Res							
10			MR-3-02-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Bus							
10			MR-3-02-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-02-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-02-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-03-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-03-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-07-2110	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS -							
5			MR-4-07-2120	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS -							
5			MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Res							
10			MR-5-01-2100	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Resale POTS							
5			BI-1-02-1000	% DJE in four (4) Business Days	Resale & UNE							

IV. SAMPLE INTERCONNECTION TRUNKS MODE OF ENTRY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon											Version 4.0	
Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgld Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
140			MOE-Trunks	Trunks Mode of Entry Totals								
5			OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnect							
10			OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnect							
5			OR-1-19-5020	% On Time Response - Request for Inbound Augment Trunks	VZ Inbound Aug							
5			OR-2-12-5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	Interconnect.							
20			PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP							
20			PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning - Trunks	Interconnect							
5			PR-5-01-5000	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	Interconnect							
5			PR-5-02-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Interconnect							
10			PR-6-01-5000	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Interconnect							
5			PR-8-01-5000	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-01-5000	Mean Time To Repair - Total	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-05-5000	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-06-5000	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-07-5000	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-08-5000	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Interconnect							
10			MR-5-01-5000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Interconnect							
5			NP-1-03-5000	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked 2 months	CLEC Trunks							
10			NP-1-04-5000	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked 3 months	CLEC Trunks							

V. SAMPLE CRITICAL MEASURE REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon												Version 4.0
Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgt'd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
			CM-ALL	Critical Measures Totals								
10			OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
2			PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale/UNE 2W							
10			PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	UNE-L New							
2			PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE-L New							
2			PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							
20			PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Large Job							
20			PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Large Job							
2			MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE-L							
2			MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE-L							
10			OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	Resale POTS/Pre-							
5			OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-							
10			PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale POTS							
20			PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS							
15			PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS							
1			MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Bus							
1			MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Res							
5			OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnect							
10			OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnect							
20			PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP							
20			PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning - Trunks	Interconnect							
10			NP-1-04-5000	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked 3 months	CLEC Trunks							
2			OR-1-06-3211	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE Specials DS1							
2			OR-2-04-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE/RES Specials							
2			OR-2-06-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-1210	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-1211	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-1213	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-3530	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE IOF							
2			PR-4-02-1200	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
5			PR-4-02-3530	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE IOF							
5			PR-5-01-1200	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	UNE/RES Specials							
5			PR-5-02-1200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE/RES Specials							
5			PR-6-01-1200	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-01-1216	Mean Time To Repair - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-01-1217	Mean Time To Repair - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-08-1216	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-08-1217	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime-Time	WPTS							
5			PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI							
5			PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Web GUI							
10			PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change							
25			BI-9-01-1000	% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles	Resale/UNE							
2			MR-3-02-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W Digital							
5			MR-3-02-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-02-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-02-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-02-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-03-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-03-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-03-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
2			MR-4-04-3341	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-04-3342	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-07-3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-07-3341	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-07-3342	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE-L							
10			MR-5-01-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE-L							
2			MR-5-01-3341	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-5-01-3342	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							

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PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN

**APPENDIX F: Background, Incentives, Reporting
and Other Provisions**

APPENDIX F: BACKGROUND, INCENTIVES, REPORTING AND OTHER PROVISIONS

I. NEW HAMPSHIRE

A. New Hampshire Performance Assurance Plan Background Information

- **Case Number:** DT 01-006, Petition filed by Bell Atlantic-New Hampshire for Approval of a Performance Assurance Plan and Change Control Assurance Plan.
- **Initial Performance Assurance Plan:** Ordered by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission in November 2002.
- **Initial Performance Assurance Plan Effective Date:** The day Verizon NH gained entry into the interLATA market.
- **Other revisions to the Plan since its inception:**

Version	Order Date	Implementation Performance Month
2.1		November 2002
3.0	July 2003	September 2003
3.1		February 2006 (Adopted Hot Cut Disaggregation)
4.0	TBD	TBD

- **Performance Assurance Plan Version 4.0:** Ordered by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission on TBD.
- **Performance Assurance Plan Version 4.0 Implementation Month:** TBD Performance Data.
- **Performance Assurance Plan Version 4.0 Filing Date:** November 21, 2006.

B. Incentive Amounts

Incentives for all sections of the Plan total \$14,790,000 annually and are distributed among the major sections of the Plan as follows:

Mode of Entry ¹⁹					
	Loop-Based	Resale POTS	Trunks	Total	Total with Doubling
Annual	\$2,192,041,	\$730,681,	\$730,681,	\$3,653,402,	\$7,306,804,
Monthly	\$182,670,	\$60,890,	\$60,890,	\$304,450,	\$608,900,

Critical Measures	
	Total
Annual	\$7,483,224
Monthly	\$623,602

C. Annual Review, Updates and Audits

1. Annual Review and Updates

Each year, the New Hampshire Commission and Verizon may review the Performance Assurance Plan to determine whether any modifications or additions should be made. All aspects of the Plan will be subject to review.

The annual review will not be subject to limitation, and any topic legitimately related to the Plan may be reviewed. All disputes are to be resolved by the Commission. Nothing in the Performance Assurance Plan can or will diminish Commission jurisdiction over Verizon service. The parties to Docket DT 01-006 will be given an opportunity to comment on any proposed modifications to the Performance Assurance Plan prior to formal Commission action. Any modifications to the Plan will be implemented as soon as is reasonably practical after Commission approval of the modifications.

¹⁹ Monthly amounts are subject to doubling as specified in Appendix A. Doubling raises the MOE total to \$7,306,804.

2. Data Accuracy and Audits

At any time, the Commission may conduct an inquiry of selected portions of the Plan to assess whether Verizon is accurately recording and reporting CLEC and Verizon service quality data. In addition, CLECs, upon a showing of good cause will have the right to challenge the accuracy of the data and/or scores related to any measure Verizon reports in the monthly summary reports.²⁰ (See Appendix E.) In the event of such a challenge, Verizon, in consultation with the Commission, will employ an independent outside auditor that will conduct a review of the challenged material. If the outside auditor finds that no material errors were made in the reporting of the data and/or scores, the CLEC initiating the audit will be responsible for paying all costs associated with the audit. If the CLEC's claim is sustained, Verizon will be responsible for the payment of such costs.

D. Changes to the New York Plan

Verizon NH will file changes to the New York Plan adopted by the New York PSC with the New Hampshire Commission within 30 days of the compliance filing in New York for review and inclusion in the New Hampshire Plan upon the Commission's approval.

E. Bill Credit Payments and Exceptions Process

1. Bill Credit Payments

Should Verizon's performance not meet the standards set forth above for the MOE and Critical Measures measurements, CLECs will receive bill credits for those MOE categories or Critical Measures scores that fall below the respective minimum levels. To the extent warranted, bill credits will appear on each CLEC's bill within three months²¹ after the month in which the

²⁰ A two-year statute of limitation on challenges to Plan performance is in effect.

²¹ If metric NP-1-03-5000 has a preliminary score of -1 for the data month being evaluated, the final performance score for NP-1-03-5000 in the month being evaluated is dependent on the performance scores from the prior two months. (See footnote 16 in Appendix C).

unsatisfactory performance has occurred. If the bill credits exceed the balance due Verizon on the CLEC's bill, the net balance will be carried as a credit on to the CLEC's next month's bill.

Verizon will issue checks in lieu of outstanding bill credits to CLECs that discontinue taking service from Verizon. Verizon may, however, exercise ordinary commercial means to ensure that it will not issue such a check prior to receipt of a CLEC's undisputed payments due Verizon.

Except as set forth in this paragraph, the remedies established under the New Hampshire PAP are in lieu of, and not in addition to, the remedy provisions contained in individually negotiated interconnection agreements or interconnection agreements adopted under section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. However, if, as of May 24, 2002 (the date of Commission Order No. 23,976), a CLEC has an approved interconnection agreement in New Hampshire which provides for performance penalties, the CLEC may elect to receive penalties under that interconnection agreement instead of under the New Hampshire PAP and Change Control Plan until the termination date of the agreement. A CLEC shall make such election by notifying Verizon NH in writing no later than the last day of the first month in which the PAP is effective. CLECs that have failed to provide such notice by the specified deadline will be deemed to have elected to receive payment under the New Hampshire PAP rather than under their interconnection agreements. To the extent that any CLECs elect to receive remedy payments under their interconnection agreements instead of under the PAP, Verizon NH will deduct the aggregate amounts of the credits that otherwise would be owed to those CLECs under the PAP from the total credits owed for each payment category (MOE and Critical Measures) for which the electing CLECs otherwise would have been eligible.

2. Timeline for Performance Reports and Bill Credits

The following is the timeline for the filing reports, processing bill credits and the Exception

Process.

Step	Action	Timing
1	Performance Reports	The 25 th calendar day following the data month reported. ²²
2	Verizon Files Exceptions/Waiver on Performance (if applicable)	15 business days after filing of report
3	Non Disputed Credits Processed ²³	On the next CLEC bill ²⁴
4	CLEC and other interested parties Files Reply to Verizon Exceptions/Waiver	7 business days from Verizon's filing of Exception/Waiver
5	New Hampshire PUC Issues Ruling on Exceptions	15 business days after CLEC Comments

²² If the 25th falls on a holiday or weekend, reports will be filed on the next business day.

²³ Verizon will hold contested bill credits pending resolution of Exception/Waiver. If the waiver is denied by the Commission, Verizon will compensate CLECs for up to 2 months of lost interest for amounts held while the waiver is under review. The lost interest rate will be set at the same rate Verizon applies to CLEC late payments.

²⁴ Verizon will process bill credits on the CLEC's bill within 15 days of Performance reporting. The credit will appear on the next available bill, subject to bill closing date.

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BY HAND

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Re: Case 99-C-0949 – Compliance Filing – 2007 Performance Assurance Plan

Dear Secretary Brilling:

Enclosed please find an original and ten (10) copies of the Compliance Filing of Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon") for the 2007 Performance Assurance Plan.¹ The 2007 PAP, annexed hereto, reflects each of the modifications that Commission has directed. In addition, the 2007 PAP includes a number of administrative changes and clarifications. Pursuant to the Order, Verizon has conferred with Staff on each of these changes.² The changes are as follows:

1. Loop MOE – Change to Total Weight and Dead-band

The Order increased the weight for metric PR-6-01-3342 from 5 to 10. (Order at 19.) This change required a number of modifications to Staff's Proposed PAP. First, the total Loop

¹ See Case 99-C-0949, "Order Amending Performance Assurance Plan" (issued September 25, 2006) (the "Order").

² The Order directed Verizon to work with Staff on any compliance issues. *Id.* at 38.

MOE weight is now 330. This is reflected in Appendix A, Table A-2. Second, the change in weight required a recalculation of the dead-band for the Loop MOE. The new dead-band is -0.11515. This is reflected in Appendix A, Tables A-5, A-6, A-7, and the associated text on page 15 of the 2007 PAP.

2. Critical Measures Weights

The Order doubled the at-risk dollars for Critical Measure metric PR-4-04-3113 (Order at 23), which requires the associated weight for this metric also to be doubled. This is addressed in Appendix B, Table B-2 where the corresponding weight for PR-4-04-3113 has been doubled from 5 to 10.

In addition, the Order added a number of metrics to the Critical Measures section of Staff's Proposed PAP (*id.*), and allocated bill credit amounts to them. These new metrics have been included in Appendix B, Table B-2 and given the following weights to correspond with the bill credit amounts:

Metric	Weight
PR-6-01-3342	2
MR-3-01-3112	2
MR-3-01-3342	2
MR-3-01-2110	1
MR-3-01-2120	1
PO-2-02-6010	2

3. Trunk Metrics – NP-1-03 and NP-1-04

The Order rejected Verizon's proposal regarding MOE metric NP-1-03 – Trunks Blocked 2 Months. Instead, the Commission held that it "will retain the current PAP's two metric handling of trunk blockages." (Order at 38, n.42.) Accordingly, in order to comply with the Commission's Order regarding the handling of the trunk metrics, NP-1-03 and NP-1-04, Verizon

was required to make a number of modifications to Appendix C, Table 2 “Performance Scoring for Mode Entry and/or Critical Measures (as applicable).” Modifications were made to the CLEC Aggregate Scoring standards for NP-1-03 and NP-1-04, and a footnote was added that describes the applicable methodology that the Commission has ordered for these trunk metrics. In addition, two footnotes have been added to Appendix F, Section E, that describe the reporting and bill credit procedures that may apply to these trunk metrics.

4. Critical Measures – Aggregate Only Rule

Footnote 12 in Appendix B, Section II of Staff’s Proposed PAP does not list metric PO-2-02-6010, which should have been included. The footnote has been corrected to read as follows: “Note that metrics PO-2-02-6010, PO-2-02-6020, PO-2-02-6080, and PO-4-01-6660, which are measured at the aggregate level only for Critical Measures and any bill credits due, are prorated by lines in service during the corresponding report period.”

5. Critical Measures – Statistical Score Increments

The increments in the statistical scores in Table B-3 (Appendix B) of Staff’s Proposed PAP are incorrect in that the steps shown are not equal increments. There should be 10 equal increments of -0.1645 between the statistical scores of -1.645 and -3.290. This has been corrected. (*See* Table B-3.)

6. Critical Measures – Missing Dollar Allocation

Table B-4 (Appendix B) of Staff’s Proposed PAP does not specify how to allocate dollars when a benchmark metric is assigned a small sample performance score of “-1” from Table C-1. In order to address this omission, Verizon has added a sentence on small sample scoring in Appendix B. (*See* Appendix B.IV.B.2.)

7. Critical Measure – Aggregate Rule Correction

There is an inaccurate statement in Appendix B, Section IV.B.2 of Staff's Proposed PAP that refers to "CLECs" with scores of -1 or -2 for the Aggregate Rule. The reference should have been to "aggregate CLEC performance" as well as the corresponding performance scores and statistical scores. This has been corrected and Section IV.B.2 now read as follows:

For Critical Measure aggregate CLEC performance resulting in -1 or -2 performance scores, the aggregate performance score and the statistical score for parity metrics (Table B-3) or the aggregate performance result for benchmark metrics (Table B-4) will be used to determine the bill credits available for each metric as shown in the tables above.

8. ASCII-Formatted PAP Reports

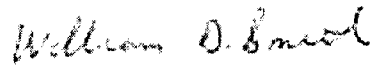
The Order refers to the fact that the PAP reports will be reformatted to "ASCII." After discussions with Staff, Verizon confirmed that the Commission wanted it to produce "ASCII-like" PAP reports, which would enable a printer friendly version of the monthly reports. A prototype of an ASCII-like PAP monthly report was included in Appendix E of Staff's Proposed PAP.

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Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling
October 25, 2006
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Finally, Verizon requested, and was granted, an extension of time to make the 2007 PAP operational.³ Accordingly, the 2007 PAP will be operational in March 2007, instead of January 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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³ See Letter to the Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling from William D. Smith, Esq., dated October 16, 2006. The request for an extension was granted. See E-mail to Parties in Case 99-C-0949 from the Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling, dated October 24, 2006.

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NEW YORK PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN

I. INTRODUCTION

To ensure that Verizon continues to provide high-quality service to Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (the “CLECs”) pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “1996 Act”) the commitments set forth in this Performance Assurance Plan (the “Plan”) are in effect.¹ The actions include, *inter alia*, the adoption of both carrier-to-carrier service measurements and standards, scoring mechanisms to determine whether CLECs are receiving non-discriminatory treatment (including statistical methodologies), the payment of bill credits to CLECs if Verizon’s reported performance does not meet the standards defined in the Plan, monthly reporting requirements, and provisions for annual reviews, updates and audits.² Also included are provisions for Exceptions and Waivers, subject to Commission approval.³

II. PROVISIONS OF THE PLAN

A. Measures

The measures and standards in this Plan are generally taken directly from the effective version of the Guidelines for Carrier-to-Carrier Performance Standards and Reports (the

¹ The Public Service Commission/Department (the “Commission”/ the “Department”) retains the first line of authority for enforcing these commitments. The Federal Communications Commission (the “FCC”) will have authority for preventing Verizon from future marketing in long distance should post-entry developments so warrant.

² Verizon will be specifically prohibited from recovering revenue losses attributable to the Performance Assurance Plan.

³ This Plan also includes the following appendices:

- Appendix A: Mode of Entry;
- Appendix B: Critical Measures;
- Appendix C: Performance Evaluation Methodology;
- Appendix D: Statistical Evaluation Procedures;
- Appendix E: Sample Report Format; and
- Appendix F: Background, Incentives, Reporting and Other Provisions.

“Guidelines”),⁴ and cover the areas of Pre-order, Ordering, Provisioning, Maintenance and Repair, Billing, Network Performance and Change Control. These measures and standards result from many years of collaborative meetings with CLECs. Accordingly, these measures and standards represent the interests of a broad body of stakeholders.

The 1996 Telecommunications Act requires that Verizon provide interconnection “that is at least equal in quality” to that provided to itself, and “non-discriminatory access” to unbundled elements. Each month, for performance measures requiring parity with retail (the “Parity measures”), Verizon will apply statistical tests, which are outlined in Appendix D, to both Verizon and CLEC performance data to compute performance results (p-values and/or Z statistics). For performance measures with a benchmark standard (the “Benchmark Measures”), Verizon will compare actual performance to the benchmark. Thus, under the Plan the Benchmark and Parity measures are used to determine whether Verizon is providing non-discriminatory service to the CLECs. Parity or Benchmark measures can be averages (“Measured” variables), such as “Mean Time to Repair,” or proportions (“Counted” variables), such as “% On Time” and rates, such as “Installation Troubles.”

B. Methods of Evaluation

The performance measures are distributed among two sections of the plan for evaluation: (1) Mode of Entry (“MOE”), and (2) Critical Measures, which are described below.

1. Mode of Entry

The MOE section of the Plan is designed to measure Verizon’s overall Section 271 performance in three categories that correspond to the general modes CLECs use to obtain facilities from Verizon to support the services that they offer in the local exchange market:

⁴ See NY PSC Case 97-C-0139, *Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Review Service Quality Standards for the Telephone Companies*.

Loop-Based; Resale-POTS; and Interconnection Trunks (“Trunks”). The performance for these measurements is evaluated at the industry (aggregate CLEC) level each month for each MOE grouping. A pre-specified amount of annual bill credits is available to the CLECs if Verizon’s performance reaches the maximum allowable unsatisfactory performance in each of the three MOE categories.

Each month Verizon applies statistical tests outlined in Appendix D to the Parity metrics, and compares metrics without a retail analog to a Benchmark standard. From these results, a performance score for each MOE is calculated separately as a weighted average of the performance score for all measures within the mode. Bill credits are due when the minimum threshold for the mode is exceeded. The minimum threshold for each MOE category, which depends on the number of measures and their weights, corresponds to the value at which there is a 95% confidence that the number of missed standards may be more than what would be expected from random variation in the underlying data.

Annual bill credits are assigned to the MOE section of the Plan and are distributed to each of the MOEs in amounts that reflect the importance of that MOE to the local exchange competition. Each month, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual amount assigned to the MOEs is available for bill credits. These amounts are subject to doubling under certain circumstances. Appendix A contains additional details for the MOE provisions, and Appendix C contains details regarding metric scoring.

2. Critical Measures

This Plan also includes stand-alone Critical Measures that cover Verizon’s service in areas critical to the CLECs. Should Verizon’s performance miss an applicable performance standard for even *one* of the Critical Measures, the eligible CLECs will be entitled to bill credits. Each month, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual amount assigned to each Critical Measure is

available for bill credits. The Critical Measures have either Benchmark or Parity standards and are analyzed at both the aggregate level of performance (the “Aggregate Rule”) and the individual CLEC-level of performance (the “Individual Rule”).

For Benchmark metrics (without a retail analog), the payment of bill credits, if any are due, is determined on CLEC-specific performance and CLEC-specific volume of activity⁵. For Parity metrics, Verizon applies statistical tests outlined in Appendix D.⁶ If Verizon’s performance at the aggregate level does not meet the corresponding standard (*i.e.*, for parity metrics a -1.645 statistical score or worse, p-value of 0.05 or less), Verizon will pay CLECs a bill credit.

At the Aggregate level, performance is scored at a 0, -1 or -2. Additionally, if Verizon meets the performance standard in the Aggregate, but provides service to any individual CLEC with a -3 performance score, Verizon will credit that individual CLEC’s bill. Appendix B contains additional details for the Critical Measures, and Appendix C contains details regarding metric scoring.

⁵ Certain performance measures are not reported at the CLEC specific level. Allocation of bill credits will be determined using methodology described in Appendix B.

⁶ For instances where the sample size criteria detailed in Appendix D are not met, a statistical score will not be reported, but rather nothing will be reported in the statistical score column .

C. Annual Incentive Amounts

Incentives for the MOE and Critical Measures sections of the Plan total \$101,207,232 annually and are distributed among the major sections of the Plan as follows:

Mode of Entry⁷					
	Loop-Based	Resale POTS	Interconnection Trunks	Total	Total with Doubling
Annual	\$15,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$50,000,000
Monthly	\$1,250,000	\$416,667	\$416,667	\$2,083,333	\$4,166,667

Critical Measures	
	Total
Annual	\$51,207,232
Monthly	\$4,267,269

Details regarding the specific calculation of bill credits that may be due for each reporting period are described in Appendices A, B and C.

D. Reallocation of Potential Bill Credits

The Commission has the authority to reallocate the monthly distribution of bill credits between and among any provisions of the Plan, and the Commission will give Verizon 15 days notice prior to the beginning of the month in which the reallocation may occur. Any reallocation is done pursuant to Commission order.

E. Monthly Reports

In order to ensure that there is timely information regarding Verizon's performance, Verizon will report its performance on a monthly basis, and aggregate PAP reports will be filed with the Commission.⁸ Additionally, each month, an electronic report will be made available to all requesting CLECs that are providing service in the state. The reports will include bill credit

⁷ Monthly amounts are subject to doubling as specified in Appendix A. Doubling raises the MOE total to \$50,000,000.

⁸ A two-year statute of limitation on challenges to PAP performance is in effect.

amounts, if any, due to the individual CLEC. A sample copy of the report appears in Appendix E.

This report will provide information regarding the MOE measures, a listing of the Critical Measures, and the bill credits, if any, which are due for these measures on a CLEC Aggregate basis. It also includes performance details for Critical Measures. CLECs can obtain their individual reports and the aggregate report from Verizon's Web site.

Verizon will continue to provide separate monthly reports on all measures in the Guidelines to any CLEC requesting the reports. In addition, Verizon will continue to provide to each requesting CLEC in a usable format the underlying data (flat files) used to calculate Verizon's performance for that CLEC.

F. Term of Performance Assurance Plan

Until a replacement mechanism is developed or until the Plan is rescinded, this Plan, as it may be modified from time-to-time by the Commission and Verizon, shall remain in effect.

G. Exceptions and Waiver Process

Recognizing that C2C service quality data may be influenced by factors beyond Verizon's control, Verizon may file Exception or Waiver petitions with the Commission seeking to have the monthly service quality results modified on the grounds that are described in Appendices C and D.

H. Annual Review, Updates and Audits

Provisions for reviews, updates and audits are detailed in Appendix F.

III. FULLY INTEGRATED DOCUMENT

The terms and provisions of this Plan are submitted in their entirety to the Commission for approval. This Plan represents a fully integrated statement of the commitments Verizon undertakes, including the payment of bill credits if Verizon's reported performance does not

meet the standards for the measures specified in the Plan. It is not offered to the Commission for approval on a piecemeal basis.

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APPENDIX A: Mode of Entry

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I. MOE: MEASURES AND WEIGHTS

The Mode of Entry (“MOE”) section of the Plan is designed to measure Verizon’s overall Section 271 performance in three individual MOE categories that correspond to the methods or modes CLECs use to obtain facilities from Verizon to support the service that they offer in the local exchange market: Loop-Based; Resale - POTS; and Interconnection Trunks. The MOE measurements provide a mechanism to measure the overall level of Verizon’s service to the entire CLEC industry in the three areas.

The allocation of dollars at risk for each MOE is as follows:

Table A-1: Allocation of Incentive Amounts for Mode of Entry

Mode of Entry				
	Loop-Based	Resale-POTS	Interconnection Trunks	Total
Monthly without Doubling	\$1,250,000	\$416,667	\$416,667	\$2,083,334
Monthly with Doubling ⁹	\$2,500,000	\$833,334	\$833,334	\$4,166,668
Annual without Doubling	\$15,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$25,000,000
Annual with Doubling	\$30,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$50,000,000

As Table A-1 demonstrates, each month, one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual amount is available for MOE bill credits. The measures found in each MOE, and their respective weights are listed in the three tables below.

⁹ Monthly amounts are subject to doubling as specified in Appendix A, Section III(B).

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Table A-2: Loop Based - Measures and Weights

Metric Number	Metric Description	Product	Weight	Standard Type
PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-01-6030	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	CORBA	2	Benchmark
PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W	5	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6030	Average Response Time - Address Validation	CORBA	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W	5	Benchmark
PO-1-06-6020	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification - xDSL	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification - xDSL	WEB GUI/LSI/W	2	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	WPTS	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6030	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	CORBA	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	WEB GUI/LSI/W	5	Benchmark
PO-8-01-6000	% On Time - Manual Loop Qualification	Systems Metrics	2	Benchmark
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	10	Benchmark
OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-2-02-3331	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-2-04-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
OR-2-04-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Benchmark
OR-2-04-3342	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Benchmark
OR-2-06-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	2	Benchmark
OR-2-06-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Benchmark
OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers sent within one (1) Business Day	Resale & UNE combined (EDI)	5	Benchmark
OR-5-03-3112	% Flow Through Achieved	UNE POTS - Loop	5	Benchmark
OR-6-03-3331	% Accuracy - LSRC	UNE Loop/Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark
PR-3-10-3342	% Completed in six (6) Days one (1) to five (5) Lines - Total	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Benchmark
PR-4-02-3112	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE POTS - Loop	10	Parity
PR-4-02-3341	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-4-02-3342	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	UNE POTS Loop New	5	Parity
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	UNE/Resale 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-4-05-3341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Benchmark
PR-5-01-3112	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
PR-5-02-3112	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE POTS - Loop - New	10	Parity
PR-6-01-3341	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	10	Parity
PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop Basic Hot Cut	20	Benchmark

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Metric Number	Metric Description	Product	Weight	Standard Type
PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut	10	Benchmark
PR-8-01-3341	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity
PR-8-01-3342	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Basic Hot Cut	20	Benchmark
PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut	10	Benchmark
PR-9-08-3533	Average Duration of Hot Cut Installation Troubles	UNE POTS - Loop - Hot Cut Total	10	Parity
MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA	2	Benchmark
MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-3-01-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
MR-3-02-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-3-02-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-3-02-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	5	Parity
MR-4-02-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
MR-4-02-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-02-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-03-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
MR-4-03-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-03-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-04-3341	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-04-3342	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-07-3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE POTS Loop	5	Parity
MR-4-07-3341	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-07-3342	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-5-01-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity
MR-5-01-3341	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops	2	Parity
MR-5-01-3342	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity
	Total Weights		330	

Table A-3: Resale POTS - Measures and Weights

Metric Number	Metric Description – Resale	Product	Weight	Standard Type
PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI	2	Benchmark
PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W	2	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI	5	Benchmark
PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Maintenance Web GUI (RETAS) / Pre-ordering/Ordering Web GUI combined	5	Benchmark
OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	10	Benchmark
OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	5	Benchmark
OR-2-02-2320	% On Time LSR Reject (Flow-Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	5	Benchmark
OR-2-04-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	2	Benchmark
OR-2-06-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	2	Benchmark
OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Completion Notifiers sent within one (1) Business Day	Resale & UNE combined (EDI)	5	Benchmark
OR-5-03-2000	% Flow Through Achieved	Resale	10	Benchmark
OR-6-03-2000	% Accuracy – LSRC	Resale	10	Benchmark
PR-3-01-2100	% Completed in one (1) Day one (1) to five (5) Lines - No Dispatch	Resale POTS	5	Parity
PR-4-02-2100	Average Delay Days – Total	Resale POTS	15	Parity
PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	Resale POTS	10	Parity
PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS	20	Parity
PR-5-01-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	Resale POTS	5	Parity
PR-5-02-2100	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Resale POTS	5	Parity
PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS	15	Parity
MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA	2	Benchmark
MR-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Test Trouble (POTS Only)	LSI-TA	2	Benchmark
MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Business	10	Parity
MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Residence	10	Parity
MR-3-02-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Business	10	Parity
MR-3-02-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Residence	10	Parity
MR-4-02-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Business	5	Parity
MR-4-02-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity
MR-4-03-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Business	5	Parity
MR-4-03-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity
MR-4-07-2110	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS – Business	5	Parity
MR-4-07-2120	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS - Residence	5	Parity
MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS - Business	5	Parity
MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity
MR-5-01-2100	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Resale POTS	10	Parity
BI-1-02-1000	% DUF in 4 Business Days	POTS	5	Benchmark
	Total Weights		241	

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Table A-4: Interconnection Trunks - Measures and Weights

Metric Number	Metric Description – Trunks	Product	Weight	Standard Type
OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC) (<= 192 Forecasted Trunks)	5	Benchmark
OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Benchmark
OR-1-19-5020	% On Time Response - Request for Inbound Augment Trunks	Verizon Inbound Augment Trunks (<= 192 Trunks)	5	Benchmark
OR-2-12-5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Benchmark
PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP	20	Benchmark
PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning – Trunks	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	20	Benchmark
PR-5-01-5000	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
PR-5-02-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
PR-6-01-5000	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Parity
PR-8-01-5000	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-01-5000	Mean Time To Repair – Total	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-05-5000	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-06-5000	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-07-5000	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-4-08-5000	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	5	Parity
MR-5-01-5000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Parity
NP-1-03-5000	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Standard - Two (2) Months	CLEC Trunks	5	Benchmark
NP-1-04-5000	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Standard - Three (3) Months	CLEC Trunks	10	Benchmark
	Total Weights		140	

II. MOE: PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Each metric's performance is evaluated monthly at the industry (CLEC Aggregate) level. Parity and Benchmark performance for each metric is transformed into a performance score of "0", "-1", or "-2". The methodology for determining performance scores is contained in Appendix C. Each measure in each MOE also had been given a weight that reflects the importance of each measure in the category relative to the other metrics. The overall score for each MOE is determined by calculating the weighted average performance score for all metrics in the MOE. If this score exceeds the minimum threshold for the respective MOE (*see* discussion below) then the affected CLECs are eligible for bill credits.

The following are the steps that will be undertaken to determine whether Bill Credits are due to CLECs for the each of the MOE categories.

A. Determine Performance Score of Each Metric

Details on the determination of performance scores are contained in Appendix C.

B. Calculate Aggregate MOE Scores for Each MOE

For each metric, multiply the performance score by the assigned weight and divide by the total weights contained in the MOE. The total MOE score is the sum of the weighted metric scores.

III. MOE: BILL CREDIT CALCULATION

A. Minimum and Maximum Bill Credit Tables

If Verizon's overall weighted score in any MOE is less than (more negative than) the applicable minimum score in a given month, credits pursuant to a credit table for each MOE category will be applied. The minimum and maximum overall weighted scores and the start point percentages are as follows:

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Table A-5: Minimum/Maximum Performance Scores

Mode of Entry	Minimum Market Adj.	Maximum Market Adj.	% Market Adj. at Minimum
Loop Based	-0.11515	-.67000	10%
Resale POTS	-0.13278	-.67000	10%
Interconnection Trunks	-0.17857	-1.0000	10%

If Verizon's weighted score is more negative than the minimum market adjustment performance score for any MOE, at least 10% of the allocated dollars for that MOE will be applied to bill credits. The intent is that the minimum score for each MOE category corresponds to the threshold at which there is a 95% confidence that the number of missed standards may be more than what would be expected from random variation in the underlying data. For example, if Verizon scored -0.11515 on the Loop-Based MOE in a month, then 10% of the monthly amount would be allocated as bill credits.

If Verizon's weighted score is more negative than the maximum performance score for any MOE, 100% of the allocated dollars for the MOE would be applied as bill credits. The maximum scores represent the maximum allowable out of parity condition, which would significantly limit a mode of entry as a competitively viable option. The Resale, Trunks and Loop-Based MOEs are divided into increasing increments until the maximum at risk amount is allocated as bill credits. The minimum and maximum ranges and the associated amount of bill credits for each MOE appear in Tables A-7 through A-9, which appear at the end of this appendix. The MOE bill credit tables reflect: (1) the range of the aggregate performance scores from the minimum to maximum, and (2) the monthly dollars attributable to each score. These tables will be used with the aggregate and individual CLEC monthly volumes for the MOE to determine the corresponding monthly amount that will be paid to each CLEC if Verizon's performance is at that particular level.

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The measurement unit for each of the MOEs is “Lines in Service”¹⁰ and is determined as follows:

1. Lines in Service for Loop-Based refers to UNE 2-Wire Analog Loops, UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops, Resale 2-Wire Digital Loops, and UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops;
2. Lines in Service for Resale POTS refers to Resale POTS lines; and
3. Lines in Service for Interconnection Trunks refers to Trunks in service (reported at the DS0 level).

The bill credits, if any, due to the individual CLECs will be determined as follows. Each month, Verizon will determine the bill credit amount corresponding to the overall MOE score (see Tables A-7 to A-9). If a bill credit amount is due, it will be allocated to CLECs based upon their proportion of the lines in service that month for the MOE. For example, a step of the Loop-Based Bill Credit Table appears below in Table A-6.

Table A-6: Example - Loop-Based Bill Credit Calculation

Score Range		Percent	Month's Aggregate Volume	Month's Rate
<	And ≥			
-0.17356	-0.20276	19.47%	500,000	[19.47%] * [maximum monthly amount] / [month's volume]

If the Aggregate Loop-Based MOE score was -0.1900 and a CLEC had 5,000 Loop Based lines (at the end of the month), it would be entitled to a \$2,434 Bill Credit ($[5,000] \times [0.1947] \times [\$1,250,000] / [500,000] = \$2,434$).

B. MOE: Doubling Provision

If an MOE weighted score is less than (farther from zero) or equal to the midpoint for three (3) consecutive months, the bill credits available will be doubled for that same three-month

¹⁰ Source for Lines in Service: Corresponding denominator for MR-2 Report Rate Metrics as reported in monthly Carrier-to-Carrier Reports.

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period for the applicable MOE category. The bill credits paid in the third month will include the incremental (doubling) impact of the two prior months as well as the doubled third month. The amounts will remain doubled until the month in which the MOE performance score is reduced in magnitude (closer to zero) to one-half the difference between the minimum and the midpoint, the one-quarter point. The midpoint and one-quarter values are shown in Tables A-7 through A-9 for each of the Modes of Entry.

C. MOE: Bill Credit Tables

Tables A-7 through A-9 depict the three Mode of Entry bill credit tables associated with performance score ranges. Also shown on each is the minimum (or upper) threshold, as well as the mid-point and quarter point score ranges associated with the doubling provision.

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Table A-7: Loop Based MOE

Monthly Maximum Amount: \$1,250,000				
Minimum/Midpoint/Maximum	Score Range		Percentages	Amounts
	<	And ≥		
Upper Threshold: -0.11515		-0.11515	0.00%	\$0
	-0.11515	-0.14435	10.00%	\$125,000
	-0.14435	-0.17356	14.74%	\$184,211
	-0.17356	-0.20276	19.47%	\$243,421
	-0.20276	-0.23196	24.21%	\$302,632
One-quarter: -0.25387	-0.23196	-0.26116	28.95%	\$361,842
	-0.26116	-0.29037	33.68%	\$421,053
	-0.29037	-0.31957	38.42%	\$480,263
	-0.31957	-0.34877	43.16%	\$539,474
	-0.34877	-0.37797	47.89%	\$598,684
Midpoint: -0.39258	-0.37797	-0.40718	52.63%	\$657,895
	-0.40718	-0.43638	57.37%	\$717,105
	-0.43638	-0.46558	62.11%	\$776,316
	-0.46558	-0.49478	66.84%	\$835,526
	-0.49478	-0.52399	71.58%	\$894,737
	-0.52399	-0.55319	76.32%	\$953,947
	-0.55319	-0.58239	81.05%	\$1,013,158
	-0.58239	-0.61159	85.79%	\$1,072,368
	-0.61159	-0.64080	90.53%	\$1,131,579
	-0.64080	-0.67000	95.26%	\$1,190,789
Lower Threshold: -0.67000	-0.67000		100.00%	\$1,250,000

Table A-8: Resale – POTS MOE

Monthly Maximum Amount: \$416,667				
Minimum/Midpoint/Maximum	Score Range		Percentages	Amounts
	<	And ≥		
Upper Threshold: -0.13278		-0.13278	0.00%	\$0
	-0.13278	-0.16105	10.00%	\$41,667
	-0.16105	-0.18933	14.74%	\$61,404
	-0.18933	-0.21760	19.47%	\$81,141
	-0.21760	-0.24588	24.21%	\$100,878
One-quarter: -0.26709	-0.24588	-0.27415	28.95%	\$120,614
	-0.27415	-0.30243	33.68%	\$140,351
	-0.30243	-0.33070	38.42%	\$160,088
	-0.33070	-0.35898	43.16%	\$179,825
	-0.35898	-0.38725	47.89%	\$199,562
Midpoint: -0.40139	-0.38725	-0.41553	52.63%	\$219,299
	-0.41553	-0.44380	57.37%	\$239,036
	-0.44380	-0.47208	62.11%	\$258,772
	-0.47208	-0.50035	66.84%	\$278,509
	-0.50035	-0.52863	71.58%	\$298,246
	-0.52863	-0.55690	76.32%	\$317,983
	-0.55690	-0.58518	81.05%	\$337,720
	-0.58518	-0.61345	85.79%	\$357,457
	-0.61345	-0.64173	90.53%	\$377,194
	-0.64173	-0.67000	95.26%	\$396,930
Lower Threshold: -0.67000	-0.67000		100.00%	\$416,667

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Table A-9: Interconnection Trunks MOE

Monthly Maximum Amount: \$416,667				
Minimum/Midpoint/Maximum	Score Range		Percentages	Amounts
	<	And ≥		
Upper Threshold: -0.17857		-0.17857	0.00%	\$ 0
	-0.17857	-0.24176	10.00%	\$41,667
	-0.24176	-0.30494	16.92%	\$70,513
	-0.30494	-0.36813	23.85%	\$99,359
One-quarter: -0.38393	-0.36813	-0.43132	30.77%	\$128,206
	-0.43132	-0.49450	37.69%	\$157,052
	-0.49450	-0.55769	44.62%	\$185,898
Midpoint: -0.58929	-0.55769	-0.62088	51.54%	\$214,744
	-0.62088	-0.68407	58.46%	\$243,590
	-0.68407	-0.74725	65.38%	\$272,436
	-0.74725	-0.81044	72.31%	\$301,283
	-0.81044	-0.87363	79.23%	\$330,129
	-0.87363	-0.93681	86.15%	\$358,975
	-0.93681	-1.00000	93.08%	\$387,821
Lower Threshold: -1.00000	-1.00000		100.00%	\$416,667

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I. CRITICAL MEASURES: MEASURES AND WEIGHTS

Verizon's performance on each of the measures included in this section of the Plan is considered to be critical to the CLECs' ability to compete in the New York local exchange market. Should Verizon performance miss an applicable performance standard for even one of these measures, the eligible CLECs will be entitled to bill credits. Each Critical Measure is assigned its own maximum penalty amount and has been given a weight relative to its importance to the marketplace. Table B-1 below demonstrates the annual and monthly amounts of bill credits at risk under this section of the Plan.

Table B-1: Allocation of Incentive Amounts for Critical Measures

Critical Measures	
Annual Amount	\$51,207,232
Monthly Amount	\$4,267,269

II. CRITICAL MEASURES: THE AGGREGATE AND INDIVIDUAL RULES

In addition to measuring performance at the CLEC aggregate level (the "Aggregate Rule"), the Critical Measures take CLEC-specific performance into consideration as well (the "Individual Rule"). Each CLEC's eligibility for Critical Measure bill credits is based on the corresponding CLEC-specific performance.¹¹

A. Aggregate Rule

For each Critical Measure, Verizon's performance for all CLECs during a given month will be evaluated at the CLEC state-aggregate level. Should the resulting CLEC aggregate performance score for any Critical Measure fall to -1 or below, bill credits for that measure will

¹¹ Note that metrics PO-2-02-6010, PO-2-02-6020, PO-2-02-6080, and PO-4-01-6660 which are measured at the aggregate level only for Critical Measures and any bill credits due are prorated by lines in service during the corresponding report period.

be payable to the eligible CLECs. The eligible CLECs are all those CLECs with qualified misses for that month. *See* Appendix C for scoring methodologies.

If the aggregate level performance score is -1 or worse, individual CLECs with qualified misses would be entitled to bill credits for that Critical Measure. For performance scores between -1 and -2, the bill credits will increase by ten equal incremental amounts based on the actual performance for a Benchmark measure and the equivalent z-score for a Parity measure. If the aggregate score falls to a -2, the maximum bill credits for that Critical Measure will be applied. *See* Tables B-2 and B-3 below. The amounts payable to each CLEC will be determined based upon individual CLEC performance as defined in Sections III and IV of this appendix.

B. Individual Rule

Additionally, if Verizon meets the performance standard in the Aggregate, but provides service to any individual CLEC resulting in a -3 performance score,¹² Verizon will credit that individual CLEC's bill. *See* Appendix C, Table C-2 for details.

III. CRITICAL MEASURES: PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Like the MOE performance scoring, Verizon's performance on each of the measures within the Critical Measures section will be evaluated monthly at the industry (CLEC Aggregate) level. Parity and Benchmark performance for each metric is transformed into a performance score of "0", "-1", or "-2". The Critical Measures Aggregate Rule also applies the performance scoring and small sample criteria described in Appendices C and D.

The Individual Rule ensures that individual CLECs are not disadvantaged when the industry's aggregate performance is acceptable, and some individual CLEC's service is poorer. This rule is applied only when the Aggregate Rule is not triggered in a given reporting period. A

¹² *See* Appendix C for details on -1, -2 and -3 performance scores.

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“-3” performance score at the CLEC-specific level will be used to determine eligibility for Individual Rule payments. *See* Appendix C for details.

IV. CRITICAL MEASURES: BILL CREDIT CALCULATION

A. Incentive Amounts for Critical Measures

Given the total annual dollars assigned to Critical Measures, Table B-2 allocates dollars by percent to each metric by assigned weight.

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Table B-2: Allocation of Critical Measure Weights and Incentive Dollars

Mode	Metric Number	Metric Name	Product	Weight	Standard Type	Maximum Bill Credit	Individual Rule Evaluation
Loop	OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	10	Benchmark	\$122,623	Yes
Loop	OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark	\$61,311	Yes
Loop	OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Loop/Pre-qualified Complex/LNP	5	Benchmark	\$61,311	Yes
Loop	PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE/Resale 2-Wire Digital Services	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Loop	PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE POTS Loop New	10	Parity	\$122,623	Yes
Loop	PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Benchmark	\$24,525	Yes
Loop	PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE POTS - Loop - New	10	Parity	\$122,623	Yes
Loop	PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Loop	PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop Basic Hot Cut (all line size)	20	Benchmark	\$245,245	Yes
Loop	PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut (all line size)	10	Benchmark	\$122,623	Yes
Loop	PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Basic Hot Cut (all line size)	20	Benchmark	\$245,245	Yes
Loop	PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE Loop - Large Job Hot Cut (all line size)	10	Benchmark	\$122,623	Yes
Loop	MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	UNE POTS Loop	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Loop	MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	UNE 2-Wire xDSL Loops	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Loop	MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE POTS Loop	10	Parity	\$122,623	Yes
Resale	OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow Through	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	10	Parity	\$122,623	Yes
Resale	OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)	Resale POTS/Pre-qualified Complex	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Resale	PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	Resale POTS	10	Parity	\$122,623	Yes
Resale	PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS	20	Parity	\$245,245	Yes
Resale	PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS	15	Parity	\$183,934	Yes

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Mode	Metric Number	Metric Name	Product	Weight	Standard Type	Maximum Bill Credit	Individual Rule Evaluation
Resale	MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Business	1	Parity	\$12,262	Yes
Resale	MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment – Loop	Resale POTS Residence	1	Parity	\$12,262	Yes
Resale	MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Business	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Resale	MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Residence	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Trunks	OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC) (<= 192 Forecasted Trunks)	5	Benchmark	\$61,311	Yes
Trunks	OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	10	Benchmark	\$122,623	Yes
Trunks	PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP	20	Benchmark	\$245,245	Yes
Trunks	PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning – Trunks	Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)	20	Benchmark	\$245,245	Yes
Trunks	NP-1-04-5000	Number Final Trunk Groups Exceeding Blocking Standard - Three (3) Months	CLEC Trunks	10	Benchmark	\$122,623	No
Specials	OR-1-06-3211	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE Specials DS1	2	Benchmark	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	OR-2-04-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE/Resale Specials	2	Benchmark	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	OR-2-06-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE/Resale Specials	2	Benchmark	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-1210	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS0	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-1211	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS1	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-1213	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS3	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	PR-4-01-3530	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE IOF	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	PR-4-02-1200	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE/Resale Specials	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	PR-4-02-3530	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE IOF	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Specials	PR-5-01-1200	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	UNE/Resale Specials	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Specials	PR-5-02-1200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Specials	PR-6-01-1200	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	5	Parity	\$61,311	Yes
Specials	MR-4-01-1216	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes

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Mode	Metric Number	Metric Name	Product	Weight	Standard Type	Maximum Bill Credit	Individual Rule Evaluation
Specials	MR-4-01-1217	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	MR-4-08-1216	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Specials	MR-4-08-1217	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	2	Parity	\$24,525	Yes
Other	PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	WPTS	2	Benchmark	\$24,525	No
Other	PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI	5	Benchmark	\$61,311	No
Other	PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Maintenance Web GUI (RETAS) / Pre-ordering/Ordering Web GUI combined	5	Benchmark	\$61,311	No
Other	PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notification/Confirmation: Types 3, 4 and 5 (combined)	10	Benchmark		No
Other	BI-9-01-1000	% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles	Resale & UNE combined	25	Benchmark	\$122,623	Yes
		Monthly Total		348		\$306,557	
		Annual Total				\$4,267,269	
						\$51,207,232	

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B. Bill Credit Calculation: Aggregate Rule

The following steps will be taken to determine which CLECs will be entitled to Bill Credits pursuant to the Aggregate Rule, *i.e.*, when aggregate CLEC performance falls below standard for a Critical Measure.

1. Calculate Total Dollars Available for Bill Credits Per Critical Measure Per Month

Example tables appear below using statistical and performance scores for a parity measure, and using performance results and scores for a Benchmark measure.

**Table B-3:
Example Bill Credits for a Parity Critical Measure with \$122,623 Allocation**

Statistical Score		Performance Score	Increment	Dollars
From	To			
	>-1.645	0	0%	\$0
≤ -1.645	>-1.8095	-1	50%	\$61,312
≤ -1.8095	> -1.9740	-1	55%	\$67,443
≤ -1.9740	> -2.1385	-1	60%	\$73,574
≤ -2.1385	> -2.3030	-1	65%	\$79,705
≤ -2.3030	> -2.4675	-1	70%	\$85,836
≤ -2.4675	> -2.6320	-1	75%	\$91,967
≤ -2.6320	> -2.7965	-1	80%	\$98,098
≤ -2.7965	> -2.9610	-1	85%	\$104,230
≤ -2.9610	> -3.1255	-1	90%	\$110,361
≤ -3.1255	> -3.2900	-1	95%	\$116,492
≤ -3.290		-2	100%	\$122,623

Table B-4:
Example Bill Credits for a 95% Benchmark Critical Measure and \$122,623¹³ Allocation

% Performance		Performance	Increment	Dollars
From	To	Score		
	≥ 95.0	0	0%	\$0
< 95.0	≥ 94.5	-1	50%	\$61,312
< 94.5	≥ 94.0	-1	55%	\$67,443
< 94.0	≥ 93.5	-1	60%	\$73,574
< 93.5	≥ 93.0	-1	65%	\$79,705
< 93.0	≥ 92.5	-1	70%	\$85,836
< 92.5	≥ 92.0	-1	75%	\$91,967
< 92.0	≥ 91.5	-1	80%	\$98,098
< 91.5	≥ 91.0	-1	85%	\$104,230
< 91.0	≥ 90.5	-1	90%	\$110,361
< 90.5	≥ 90.0	-1	95%	\$116,492
< 90.0		-2	100%	\$122,623

2. Aggregate Performance Determines the Bill Credits Available for Critical Measure Metrics

For Critical Measure aggregate CLEC performance resulting in -1 or -2 performance scores, the aggregate performance score and the Statistical score for parity metrics (Table B-3) or the aggregate performance result for benchmark metrics (Table B-4) will be used to determine the bill credits available for each metric as shown in the tables above. A metric with a benchmark standard and a small sample size (defined in Appendix C) in a given month that is assigned a performance score of “-1” from Table C-1 in the same month will result in an allocation of 50% for that month.

3. Determine Which CLECs Qualify for the Market Adjustment

For Parity measures, where the statistical score is used, and the statistical score for the aggregate performance is less than (more negative than) -1.645, CLECs with “qualified misses” will be eligible for a portion of the bill credits. When calculating a market adjustment for

¹³ For Performance Measures with other benchmark standards, the range of performance will be similarly distributed in 10 even increments.

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metrics that use Benchmark standards (generally a 95% standard) all CLECs at the -1 level or less would qualify. The calculation of the dollars is similar to the statistical score method.

“Qualified misses” are described below.

4. Steps Used to Calculate the Individual Market Adjustments for Qualified CLECs

a. Determine Each CLEC’s Qualified Misses

Each CLEC’s allocation depends upon its individual share of qualified volume that is eligible for bill credits. Qualified volume is a portion of the total volume for the measure during the month based upon each CLEC’s individual performance and the standard for the measure. For each eligible CLEC, determine the difference between the CLEC’s individual performance and the corresponding standard used to determine the metric “miss.” Divide this difference by 100 and multiply this by the CLEC’s total volume for the measure in the performance month to determine the qualified volume ($[\text{qualified volume}] = [\text{performance standard} - \text{CLEC performance}] / 100 \times [\text{CLEC observations}]$).

b. Determine Each CLEC’s Market Adjustment Amount Per Qualified Miss

Divide the aggregate market adjustment amount that corresponds to the metric’s aggregate performance during that month by the sum of the CLEC qualified misses for that metric from Step (a) to determine the market adjustment per qualified miss.

c. Determine Each CLEC’s Dollar Share

Multiply each eligible CLEC’s qualified misses by the market adjustment amount per qualified miss.

Tables B-5 and B-6, below, illustrate how CLEC Aggregate Rule bill credits allocations are calculated for metrics with Benchmark and Parity standards.

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Table B-5: Example Aggregate Rule Allocation for a Benchmark Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf./ Bnchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualified Misses	Agg Bill credit/ miss	Agg Bill Credit
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Agg	95.00	89.30		1,000				\$122,623
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC1>	95.00	95.00		300		0.0	\$2,151	\$ 0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC2>	95.00	92.00		200		6.0	\$2,151	\$12,908
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC3>	95.00	88.00		200		14.0	\$2,151	\$30,118
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC4>	95.00	88.00		100		7.0	\$2,151	\$15,059
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC5>	95.00	80.00		200		30.0	\$2,151	\$64,538
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Total		89.30				57.0		\$122,623

Table B-6: Example Aggregate Rule Allocation for a Parity Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf./ Bnchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualified Misses	Agg Bill credit/ miss	Agg Bill Credit
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Agg	4.00	6.00	10,000	1,000	-2.7981			\$20,846
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC1>	4.00	4.00	10,000	300	0.1065	0.0	\$1,042	\$ 0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC2>	4.00	8.00	10,000	200	-2.4214	8.0	\$1,042	\$8,338
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC3>	4.00	6.00	10,000	200	-1.2212	4.0	\$1,042	\$4,169
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC4>	4.00	6.00	10,000	100	-0.7928	2.0	\$1,042	\$2,085
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC5>	4.00	7.00	10,000	200	-1.8361	6.0	\$1,042	\$6,254
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Total		6.00				20.0		\$20,846

C. Bill Credit Calculation: Individual Rule

1. Determine If Any CLECs Qualify for Bill Credit Adjustment

If there are no Aggregate Rule payments in the report period, individual CLECs qualify for Individual Rule Bill Credits if they received a performance score equal to -3 on any of the measures included in the Critical Measures for the applicable month that is evaluated for the Individual Rule.

2. Determine Each CLEC's Bill Credit Adjustment Base (Qualified Misses)

The difference between the standard and the CLEC's individual performance is used to determine the CLEC's qualified misses as described under the Aggregate Rule for the report period.

3. Calculate Bill Credit Adjustment to Apply to the CLECs Impacted

The full (100%) monthly at risk dollars are used to develop a rate for the Individual Rule in the following manner. The total dollars at risk for a Critical Measure (shown in Table B-2) are divided by one third of the CLEC-Aggregate observations to create a bill credit rate for the Individual Rule. For example, metric OR-1-02-3331, % On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs, shows \$122,623 in bill credits assigned in Table B-2. If there were 1,000 observations at the CLEC aggregate level, one third of those observations would equal 333. The rate used for the Individual Rule on that metric would then be \$ 368 per qualified miss ($\$122,623 \div 333 = \$ 368$). This rate is multiplied by the CLEC's qualified misses to determine the amount to be credited to the CLEC for that Critical Measure. The Individual Rule payment applies to the full 100% credit level when the individual CLEC receives service at the -3 level (*i.e.*, there is no 50% to 100% scaling of payment rates as is done for the Aggregate Rule).

4. Examples of Individual Rule Bill Credit Calculation

a. Benchmark Measure Example

For Benchmarks, the Individual Rule will be triggered by a performance score of -3 for CLEC-specific performance (assuming the aggregate performance score was 0). The qualified misses will be calculated as the difference between the CLEC-specific performance and the C2C standard,¹⁴ divided by 100, and multiplied by the CLEC-specific observations.

For example, if for a metric with a 95% Benchmark Standard, Aggregate performance is 95.10 and a CLEC's specific performance was 84.00% for 100 observations, the Individual Rule eligibility would be determined by the 84.00% CLEC-specific performance being less than 95.00%. However, the qualified misses would be determined by the difference between 84.00% and the 95% C2C standard, *e.g.*, $[95.00-84.00]/100 * 100 = 11$ qualified misses].

b. Parity Measure Example

For Parity, the Individual Rule will be triggered by performance score of -3 where the z-score is less (more negative) than -4.935 for CLEC-specific performance (assuming the aggregate performance score was 0). The qualified misses will be calculated as the difference between the CLEC-specific performance and the VZ retail compare performance, divided by 100, and multiplied by the CLEC-specific observations.

For example, if an individual CLEC's specific performance was 12.50% for 200 observations on a missed appointment metric, which resulted in a z-score being less (more negative) than -4.935, and VZ's retail performance was 4% while the CLEC-aggregate performance was 5.10%, the Individual Rule would apply. The qualified misses would be

¹⁴ See Appendix C, Table C-2, for each of the Benchmark metrics the C2C standard is translated into a "0" performance score, with the exception of NP-1-03-5000 and NP-1-04-5000 as shown in the table.

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determined by the difference between 4.00% VZ performance and the 12.50% CLEC specific performance, *e.g.*, $[12.50 - 4.00] / 100 * 200 = 17$ qualified misses).

Tables B-7 and B-8 illustrate how CLEC Individual Rule bill credits are calculated for metrics with Benchmark and Parity standards.

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Table B-7: Example Individual Rule Calculation for a Benchmark Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf./ Bnchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualifie d Misses	Ind Bill credit/ miss	Ind Bill Credit
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Agg	95.00	95.10		1,000				
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC1>	95.00	99.00		300		0.0	\$ 368	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC2>	95.00	98.00		200		0.0	\$ 368	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC3>	95.00	88.00		200		14.0	\$ 368	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC4>	95.00	84.00		100		11.0	\$ 368	\$4,048
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	<CLEC5>	95.00	99.00		200		0.0	\$ 368	\$0
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs	Total		95.10				57.0		\$4,048

Table B-8: Example Individual Rule Calculation for a Parity Measure

Metric #	Metric Name	Agg/ CLEC	VZ Perf./ Bnchmrk	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs	CLEC Obs.	Stat Score	Qualifie d Misses	Ind Bill credit/ miss	Ind Bill Credit
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Agg	4.00	5.00	10,000	1,000	-1.4188			
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC1>	4.00	1.00	10,000	200	2.7715	0.0	\$ 74	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC2>	4.00	11.00	10,000	300	-4.9496	21.0	\$ 74	\$1,554
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC3>	4.00	5.00	10,000	200	-0.5696	2.0	\$ 74	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC4>	4.00	5.00	10,000	100	-0.3237	1.0	\$ 74	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	<CLEC5>	4.00	0.00	10,000	200	5.0000	0.0	\$ 74	\$0
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment -Dispatch -2W Digital - UNE/Resale	Total		5.00				24.0		\$1,554

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APPENDIX C: Performance Evaluation Methodology

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The Performance Assurance Plan uses the following methodologies to evaluate performance for the purposes of market adjustment calculations.

I. PERFORMANCE SCORES

A. Performance Scores for Measures with Parity Standards

Performance for metrics with Parity standards is evaluated according to the statistical procedures defined in Appendix D. Table C-2, which appears at the end of this appendix, shows how statistical scores are converted into performance scores of “0”, “-1”, and “-2” in Mode of Entry and Critical Measures and into a performance score of “-3” for the Individual Rule in Critical Measures. If there is no, or insufficient, CLEC activity in any metric, the metric is scored as a “0”.

B. Performance Scores for Measures with Benchmark Standards

Performance for metrics with Benchmark standards, *i.e.*, metrics without retail analogs, is evaluated against pre-established standards. Table C-2 shows how performance for metrics with Benchmark standards is converted into performance scores of “0”, “-1”, and “-2” in Mode of Entry and Critical Measures, and into a performance score of “-3” for the Individual Rule in Critical Measures, when there is sufficient sample size. If there is no CLEC activity in any metric, the metric is scored as a “0”. Scoring requirements for small sample size is defined below.

1. Small Sample Benchmark Scoring Procedures

For Counted Variables 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

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would effectively require perfection to avoid bill credits, which would be above the designated Benchmark for the measure. Some Benchmark metrics have standards such that higher than the benchmark is better (HIB). Other Benchmark metrics have standards where lower than the benchmark is better performance (LIB). The number of observations (“n”) necessary to qualify as a “small” sample on Benchmark measures for the allowable miss table is determined using the applicable performance standard in one of the following two formulas:

$$\text{HIB: } n < \{1/[1-\text{standard}]\}$$

$$\text{LIB: } n < \{1/[\text{standard}]\}$$

Table C-1 shows the application of performance scores if the number of observations “n” meets the requirements above.

Table C-1: Allowable Miss Table for Small Sample Size Benchmark Scoring

	CLEC Aggregate Scoring			CLEC Individual Rule Scoring
	0	-1	-2	-3
Number of Misses	≤ 1	2	3	>3

Applying this formula to a performance standard of 95%, where higher performance is better, the sample size “n” would have to be less than $(1 \div (1-0.95))$ or 20 in order to use the table. For a performance standard of 2%, where lower performance is better, “n” would have to be less than $(1 \div 0.02)$ or 50 to use the table. The following table shows performance scores for a 95% and 2% metrics using this methodology:

Examples:

Performance Standard	CLEC Aggregate or Individual Rule	Number of Observations	Performance	# of Misses	Performance Score
95%	Aggregate	12	83.33%	2	-1
95%	Individual	18	77.78%	4	-3
95%	Aggregate	9	88.88%	1	0
2%	Aggregate	42	7.14%	3	-2
2%	Individual	22	4.55%	1	0
2%	Aggregate	10	10.00%	1	0

2. CLEC Exceptions

Each month each CLEC will have the right to challenge the allowable misses or exclusions that Verizon 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 demonstrating that the exclusion will have a significant impact on the operations of the CLEC's business and that Verizon should not be allowed to exclude the event pursuant to the above table. Verizon will have a right to respond to such a challenge by a CLEC.

The Timeline for CLEC Exceptions will be the same as the Timeline for Verizon Exceptions under the small sample size section in Appendix D. If a CLEC's Exception Petition is granted, the appropriate bill credits will be reflected on the CLEC's bill as soon as is practical.

C. Waivers

Recognizing that C2C service quality data may be influenced by factors beyond Verizon's control, Verizon may file Exception or Waiver petitions with the Commission seeking to have the monthly service quality results modified on three generic grounds.

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The first involves the potential for “clustering” of data, and the effect that such clustering has on the statistical models used in this Plan. The requirements of the clustering exception are set forth in Appendix D.

The second ground for filing exceptions relates to CLEC behavior. If performance for any measure is impacted by unusual CLEC behavior, Verizon will bring such behavior to the attention of the CLEC and attempt to resolve the problem. If such action negatively influences Verizon’s performance on any metric, Verizon is permitted to petition for relief. The petition, which will be filed with the Commission and served on the CLEC, will provide appropriate, detailed documentation of the events, and will demonstrate that the CLEC behavior has caused Verizon to miss the service quality target. Verizon’s petition must include all data that demonstrates how the measure was missed. It should also include information that excludes the data affected by the CLEC behavior. CLECs and other interested parties will be given an opportunity to respond to any Verizon petition for an Exception. If the Commission determines that the service results were influenced by inappropriate CLEC behavior, the data will be excluded from the monthly reports.

The third ground for filing Waivers relates to situations beyond Verizon’s control that negatively affect its ability to satisfy only those measures with Benchmark standards. 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, or other events beyond Verizon’s control. Other events beyond Verizon’s control may include random variation. Verizon may therefore petition the Commission for a waiver of specific performance

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results for those metrics that have performance targets dictated by Benchmark standards, if Verizon's performance results do not meet the specific standard.

Any petition pursuant to this provision, except for random variation described below, must demonstrate clearly and convincingly the following: the extraordinary nature of the circumstances involved; the impact that the circumstances had on Verizon's service quality; why Verizon's normal, reasonable preparations for difficult situations proved inadequate; and the specific days affected by the event. The petition must also include an analysis of the extent to which the parity metrics (retail and wholesale) were affected by the subject event.

Any petition pursuant to this provision for random variation must demonstrate that there was more than a 5% chance that the observed result was caused by random variation. In addition, Verizon shall provide the Commission detailed information demonstrating that Verizon's underlying wholesale processes were operating and managed to be at or above the performance standard.

Any waiver petition must be filed within 45 days from the end of month in which the event occurred. The Commission will determine which, if any, of the daily and monthly results should be adjusted in light of the extraordinary event or random variation 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.

The resolution of a waiver exception request will occur prior to the scheduled payment of bill credits for a report period. To facilitate this, any petition seeking a waiver shall be filed within 45 days of the last day of the month in which the challenged event occurred. CLECs will have 10 days to serve and file replies to Verizon-requested exceptions. A timeline can be found in Appendix F.

II. PERFORMANCE SCORE TABLES

As noted above, Table C-2 below is used to convert Verizon's performance on the Parity and Benchmark metrics into scores of "0", "-1", "-2", or "-3" (for Individual Rule only). Table C-3 lists the numerous metrics with a Benchmark standard of 95%.

III. PERFORMANCE METRICS WITH PRODUCT COMBINATIONS DIFFERENT THAN C2C REPORTS

Certain products for some performance measures are reported and evaluated on a combined basis under the Performance Assurance Plan. Table C-4 lists the metrics that report performance of products on a combined basis. CLEC performance for these metrics is combined on a weighted basis where there is activity in both products reported under the Carrier-to-Carrier reports.

Table C-2: Performance Scoring for Mode of Entry and/or Critical Measures (as applicable)

Metric #'s	Measure	CLEC Aggregate Scoring			CLEC-Specific or Individual Rule Scoring
		0 Standard	-1 Standard	-2 Standard	-3 Standard
Various	All Metrics with Parity standards	Z score > -1.645 (less negative)	Z score ≤ -1.645 (equal or more negative) and > -3.290 (less negative)	Z score ≤ -3.290 (equal or more negative)	Z score ≤ -4.935 (equal or more negative)
Various	All Metrics with 95% standards ¹⁵	≥ 95%	≥ 90 and < 95%	< 90%	< 85%
PO-1-01 PO-1-03 PO-1-06 MR-1-01 MR-1-06	OSS Response Time Measures Excluding WEB GUI	≤ 4 second difference	> 4 and ≤ 6 second difference	> 6 second difference	N/A
PO-1-01 PO-1-03 PO-1-06	OSS Response Time Measures for WEB GUI	≤ 7 second difference	> 7 and ≤ 9 second difference	> 9 second difference	N/A
PO-2-02	OSS System Availability - Prime	≥ 99.5%	≥ 98 and < 99.5%	< 98%	N/A
OR-6-03-2000 OR-6-03-3331	% Accuracy-LSRC % Accuracy-LSRC-Loop	≤ 5%	> 5% and ≤ 10%	> 10%	N/A

¹⁵ A list of applicable 95% standards can be found on Table C-3.

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Metric #'s	Measure	CLEC Aggregate Scoring			CLEC-Specific or Individual Rule Scoring
		0 Standard	-1 Standard	-2 Standard	-3 Standard
PR-6-02-3520 PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles within 7 Days - Hot Cuts (Basic and Large Job)	≤ 2%	> 2% and ≤ 3%	> 3%	> 4.5%
NP-1-03 ¹⁶	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked for 2 Months	Final Interconnection Trunks meeting or exceeding blocking standard for less than two months	An individual Final Interconnection Trunk group exceeding blocking standard for 2 months in a row	N/A	N/A
NP-1-04	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked for 3 Months	Final Interconnection Trunks meeting or exceeding blocking standard for less than three months	N/A	An individual Final Interconnection Trunk group exceeding blocking standard for 3 months in a row	N/A
BI-9	% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles	≥ 96%	≥ 92 and < 96%	< 92%	< 88%

¹⁶ When evaluating a particular data month, the final performance scoring determination for metric NP-1-03 scored with a “-1” (missed standard in question) is dependent on two additional performance scores for the same measure in adjacent months. If the two other scores are both “0” (met standard), then the “-1” performance score is converted to a “0” performance score for the data month under evaluation. If either of the two other scores is “-1” (missed standard in question), or “-2” (missed standard probable), then the “-1” performance score remains as a “-1”. Once the final performance score is determined to be “0” or “-1”, it will then be used in conjunction with all of the other performance scores and weights for metrics in the Trunks MOE category to determine an aggregate weighted score.

Table C-3: Performance Metrics with 95% Performance Standard

	Pre-Ordering
PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices sent on Time (type 3,4,5)
PO-8-01-6000	% On Time-Manual Loop Qualification
	Ordering
OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx-2hrs
OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual-2hrs
OR-1-04-2320	% OT LSRC-No Facility Chk-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx
OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow Through)
OR-1-06-3211	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)-UNE DSL
OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)
OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC Interconnection Trunks
OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record
OR-1-19-5020	% On Time Response-Request for Inbound Aug(<=192)
OR-2-02-2320	% On Time LSR Rej-Flow Thru-POTS/Pre-Qualified Complex
OR-2-02-3331	% On Time LSR Reject-Flow Thru-Loop/Pre-Qual
OR-2-04-1200	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-UNE/Resale Specials
OR-2-04-2320	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx
OR-2-04-3331	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-Loop/LNP
OR-2-04-3341	% On Time LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-2W Digital-UNE
OR-2-04-3342	% OT LSR Rej-No Facility Chk-2W xDSL Loops
OR-2-06-1200	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-UNE/Resale Specials
OR-2-06-2320	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-POTS/Pre-Qual Cmplx
OR-2-06-3331	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-Loop/LNP
OR-2-06-3341	% OT LSR/ASR Rej-Facility Chk-2W Digital-UNE
OR-2-12-5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject
OR-4-16-1000	% On Time PCN-1 Business Day
OR-5-03-2000	% Flow Through-Achieved-POTS
OR-5-03-3112	% Flow Through-Achieved-POTS
	Provisioning
PR-3-10-3342	% Comp w/in 6 Days (1-5 lines) Tot-2W xDSL Loops
PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance-LNP only
PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time-2W xDSL Loops
PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning-Trunks
PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance-Loop-Basic Hot Cut
PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance-Loop-Lg Job Hot Cut
	Billing
BI-1-02-1000	% DUF in 4 Business Days

Table C-4: Metrics with Combined Products

PAP Metric #	Metric Title	PAP Products	Combination of C2C Metric #s	Combination of C2C Products
PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Dispatch	UNE/Resale 2-Wire Digital Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-04-3341 PR-4-04-2341 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE 2-Wire Digital Loops Resale 2-Wire Digital Svcs
OR-2-04-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - No Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-through)	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OR-2-04-3200 OR-2-04-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
OR-2-06-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Reject - Facility Check (Electronic - No Flow-Through)	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OR-2-06-3200 OR-2-06-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-4-01-1210	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-01-3210 PR-4-01-2210 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS0 Resale Specials DS0
PR-4-01-1211	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-01-3211 PR-4-01-2211 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS1 Resale Specials DS1
PR-4-01-1213	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Total	UNE/Resale Specials DS3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-01-3213 PR-4-01-2213 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS3 Resale Specials DS3
PR-4-02-1200	Average Delay Days – Total	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-4-02-3200 PR-4-02-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-5-01-1200	% Missed Appointment - Verizon – Facilities	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-5-01-3200 PR-5-01-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-5-02-1200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-5-02-3200 PR-5-02-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
PR-6-01-1200	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE/Resale Specials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR-6-01-3200 PR-6-01-2200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials Total Resale Specials Total
MR-4-01-1216	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-01-3216 MR-4-01-2216 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials NonDS0 & DS0 Resale Specials s Non DS0 & DS0
MR-4-01-1217	Mean Time To Repair – Total	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-01-3217 MR-4-01-2217 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS1 & DS3 Resale Specials DS1 & DS3
MR-4-08-1216	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (Non DS0 & DS0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-08-3216 MR-4-08-2216 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials NonDS0 & DS0 Resale Specials s Non DS0 & DS0
MR-4-08-1217	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/Resale Specials (DS1 & DS3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MR-4-08-3217 MR-4-08-2217 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNE Specials DS1 & DS3 Resale Specials DS1 & DS3
PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change Notification/ Confirmation: Types 3, 4 and 5 (Combined)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PO-4-01-6661 PO-4-01-6662 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change Notification Type 3, 4 & 5 Change Confirmation Type 3, 4 & 5

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APPENDIX D: Performance Evaluation Methodology

APPENDIX D: STATISTICAL EVALUATION PROCEDURES

The Performance Assurance Plan uses the following methodologies for evaluating performance for the purposes of market adjustment calculations for Parity Measures.

I. CARRIER TO CARRIER STATISTICAL METRIC EVALUATION PROCEDURES

Statistical evaluation is used here as a tool to assess whether the Verizon's wholesale service performance to the Competitive Local Exchange Companies (CLECs) is at least equal in quality to the service performance that Verizon provides to itself (i.e., parity). Carrier-to-Carrier (C2C) measurements having a parity standard are metrics where both the CLEC and Verizon performance are reported.¹⁷

A. Statistical Framework

The statistical tests of the null hypothesis of parity against the alternative hypothesis of non-parity defined in these guidelines use Verizon and CLEC observational data. Verizon 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 mean performance is at least equal to or better than the Verizon mean performance.

Statistical tests should be performed under the following conditions.

- 1) The data must be reasonably free of measurement/reporting error.
- 2) Verizon to CLEC comparisons should be reasonably like to like.

¹⁷ 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 Opinion 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."

- 3) The minimum sample size requirement for statistical testing is met.

(Section B)

- 4) The observations are independent. (Section D)

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

To the extent that the data and/or operational analysis indicate that additional analysis is warranted, a metric may be taken to the Carrier Working Group for investigation.

B. Sample Size Requirements

The assumptions that underlie the C2C Guidelines statistical models include the requirement that the two groups of data are comparable. With larger sample sizes, differences in characteristics associated with individual customers are more likely to average out. With smaller sample sizes, the characteristics of the sample may not reasonably represent those of the population. Meaningful statistical analysis may be performed and confident conclusions may be drawn, if the sample size is sufficiently large to minimize the violations of the assumptions underlying the statistical model.

The following sample size requirements, based upon both statistical considerations and also some practical judgment, indicate the minimum sample sizes above which parity metric test results (for both counted and measured variables) may permit reasonable statistical conclusions.

The statistical tests defined in these guidelines are valid under the following conditions:

If there are only 6 of one group (Verizon 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.

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.

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When a parity metric comparison does not meet the above sample size criteria, it may be taken to the Carrier Working Group for alternative evaluation. In such instances, 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.

C. Statistical Testing Procedures

Parity metric measurements that meet the sample size criteria in Section B will be evaluated according to the one-tailed permutation test procedure defined below.

Combine the Verizon and CLEC observations into one group, where the total number of observations is $n_{VZ} + n_{clec}$. 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 Verizon 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 Verizon and CLEC sample means is due to random variation.

Permutation test *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 Verizon 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 Verizon 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 a Z statistics equal to or less than -5.0000 are displayed as -5.0000 .

Alternative computational procedures (i.e., computationally more efficient procedures) may be used to perform measured and counted variable permutation tests so long as those procedures produce the same p-values as would be obtained by the permutation test procedure described above. The results should not vary at or before the fourth decimal place to the Z score equivalent associated with the result generated from the exact permutation test (i.e., the test based upon the exact number of combinations of n_{clec} from the combined $n_{VZ} + n_{clec}$).

Measured Variables (i.e., metrics of intervals, such as mean time to repair or average delay days):

The following permutation test procedure is applied to measured variable metrics:

1. Compute and store the mean for the original CLEC data set.
2. Combine the Verizon and CLEC data to form one data set.
3. Draw a random sample without replacement of size n_{clec} (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.

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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 re-samples 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 Verizon mean. Otherwise, the data support the belief that the CLEC mean is at least equal to or better than the Verizon mean.
8. Generate the C2C Report “Z Score Equivalent,” known in this document as the standard normal Z score that has the same percentile as the test statistic.

Counted Variables (i.e., metrics of proportions, such as percent measures):

A hypergeometric distribution based procedure (a.k.a., Fisher’s Exact test)¹⁸ is an appropriate method to evaluate performance for counted metrics where performance is measured in terms 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

¹⁸ This procedure produces the same results as a permutation test of the equality of the means for the ILEC and CLEC distributions of 1s and 0s, where successes are recorded as 0s and failures as 1s.

standard normal cumulative distribution.

The hypergeometric distribution is as follows:

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

Where:

$p \text{ value}$ = the probability that the difference in the Verizon and CLEC sample

proportions could have arisen from random variation, assuming the null hypothesis

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

p_{clec} and p_{vz} = the proportions of CLEC and Verizon failed performance, for

percentages 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:

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

Where:

f_{clec} = CLEC failures in the chosen sample = $n_{clec} p_{clec}$

f_{vz} = Verizon failures in the chosen sample = $n_{vz} p_{vz}$

n_{clec} = size of the CLEC sample

n_{VZ} = size of the Verizon sample

Alternatively, the probability of observing **exactly** f_{clec} failures is given by:

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

Where:

s_{clec} = the number of CLEC successes = $n_{clec} (1 - p_{clec})$

s_{VZ} = the number of Verizon successes = $n_{VZ} (1 - p_{VZ})$

$f_{total} \equiv f_{clec} + f_{VZ}$

$s_{total} \equiv s_{clec} + s_{VZ}$

The probability of observing f_{clec} **or more** failures [$\Pr(i \geq f_{clec})$] 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 (s_{total}),
 - b. total number of failures (f_{total}),
 - c. total number of CLEC observations (n_{clec}), and the
 - d. total number of Verizon observations (n_{VZ}) remaining fixed.
3. Sum up all of the probabilities for $\Pr(i \geq f_{clec})$.
4. If that value is less than or equal to 0.05, then the null hypothesis is rejected.

D. Root Cause/Exceptions

Root Cause: If the permutation test shows an “out-of-parity” condition, Verizon may perform a root cause analysis to determine cause. Alternatively, Verizon may be required by the Carrier Working Group to perform a root cause analysis. If the cause is the result of “clustering” within the data, Verizon will provide such documentation.

Clustering Exceptions: Due to the definitional nature of the variables used in the performance measures, some comparisons may not meet the requirements for statistical testing. Individual data points may not be independent. The primary example of such non-independence is a cable failure. If a particular CLEC has fewer than 30 troubles and all are within the same cable failure with long duration, the performance will appear out of parity. However, for all troubles, including Verizon’s troubles, within that individual event, the trouble duration is identical.

Another example of clustering is if a CLEC has a small number of orders in a single location with a facility problem. If this facility problem exists for all customers served by that cable and is longer than the average facility problem, the orders are not independent and clustering occurs.

Finally, if root cause shows that the difference in performance is the result of CLEC behavior, Verizon will identify such behavior and work with the respective CLEC on corrective action.

Another assumption underlying the statistical models used here is the assumption that the data are independent. In some instances, events included in the performance measures of provisioning and maintenance of telecommunication services are not independent. The lack of independence contributes to “clustering” of data. Clustering occurs when individual items (orders, troubles, etc.) are clustered together as one single event. This being the case, Verizon

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will have the right to file an exception to the performance scores in the Performance Assurance Plan if the following events occur:

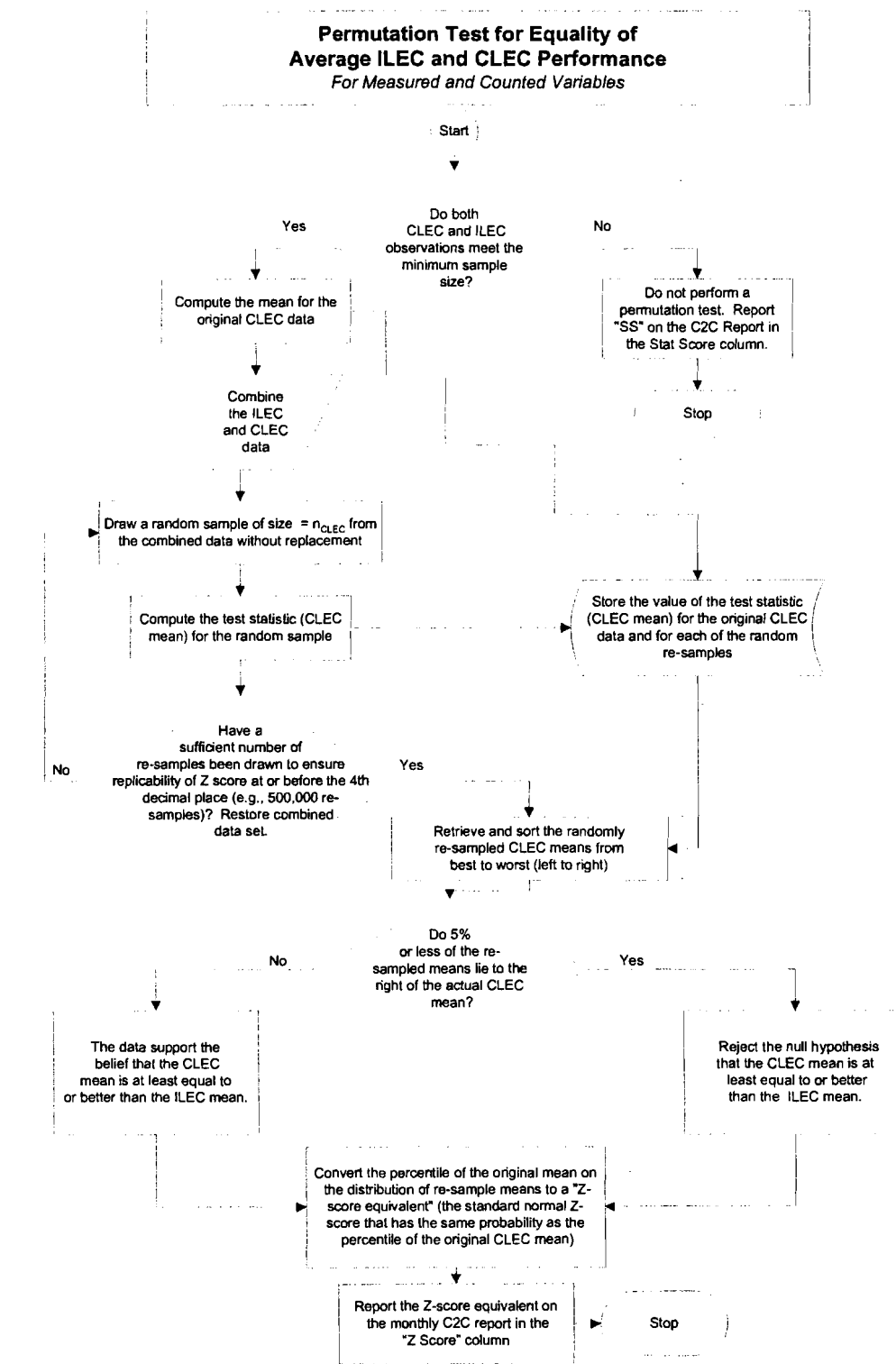
- a) Event-Driven Clustering - Cable Failure: If a significant proportion of a CLEC's troubles are in a single cable failure, Verizon will provide data demonstrating that all troubles within that failure, including Verizon troubles, were resolved in an equivalent manner. Then, Verizon also will provide the repair performance data with that cable failure performance excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and Verizon and the remaining troubles will be compared according to normal statistical methodologies.
- b) Location-Driven Clustering - Facility Problems: 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, Verizon will provide the data demonstrating that the orders were "clustered" in a single facility shortfall. Then, Verizon will provide the provisioning performance with that data excluded from the overall performance for both the CLEC and Verizon 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.
- c) Time-Driven Clustering - Single Day Events: 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

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single day, Verizon will provide the data demonstrating the activity is on that day. Verizon will compare that single day's performance for the CLEC to Verizon own performance. Then Verizon will provide data with that day excluded from overall performance to demonstrate "parity."

CLEC Actions: If performance for any measure is impacted by unusual CLEC behavior, Verizon will bring such behavior to the attention of the CLEC to attempt resolution. Examples of CLEC behavior impacting performance results include order quality, causing excessive missed appointments; incorrect dispatch identification, resulting in excessive multiple dispatch and repeat reports, inappropriate X coding on orders, where extended due dates are desired; and delays in rescheduling appointments, when Verizon has missed an appointment. If such action negatively impacts performance, Verizon will provide appropriate detailed documentation of the events and communication to the individual CLEC and the Commission.

Documentation: Verizon will provide all necessary detailed documentation to support its claim that an exception is warranted, ensuring protection of customer proprietary information, to the CLEC(s) and Commission. Verizon and CLEC performance details include information on individual trouble reports or orders. For cable failures, Verizon will provide appropriate documentation detailing all other troubles associated with that cable failure.



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APPENDIX E: Sample Report Format

APPENDIX E: SAMPLE REPORT FORMAT

I. SAMPLE MARKET SUMMARY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon			Version 4.0
Section	Mode	Weighted Score	Market Adjustment
MOE	Loop Based		
MOE	Resale POTS		
MOE	Trunks		
MOE	Total		
Critical Measure	Total		
Individual Rule	Total		
All	Grand Total		

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II. SAMPLE LOOP MODE OF ENTRY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon												Version 4.0
Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgt'd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
330			MOE-LOOP	Loop Based Mode of Entry Totals								
2			PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI							
2			PO-1-01-6030	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	CORBA							
5			PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
2			PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI							
2			PO-1-03-6030	Average Response Time - Address Validation	CORBA							
5			PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
2			PO-1-06-6020	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification - xDSL	EDI							
2			PO-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Mechanized Loop Qualification - xDSL	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
5			PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	WPTS							
5			PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI							
5			PO-2-02-6030	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	CORBA							
5			PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Web GUI							
2			PO-8-01-6000	% On Time - Manual Loop Qualification	Svstems Metrics							
10			OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-2-02-3331	% On Time LSR Reject - Flow-through	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-2-04-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
2			OR-2-04-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE 2W Digital							
2			OR-2-04-3342	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE 2W xDSL							
2			OR-2-06-3331	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
2			OR-2-06-3341	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE 2W Digital							
5			OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Comp. Notifiers sent - 1 Business Day	Resale/UNE (EDI)							
5			OR-5-03-3112	% Flow Through Achieved	UNE-L							
5			OR-6-03-3331	% Accuracy - LSRC	UNE-							
5			PR-3-10-3342	% Completed in six (6) Days one (1) to five (5) Lines - Total	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			PR-4-02-3112	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE-L							
2			PR-4-02-3341	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE 2W Digital							
5			PR-4-02-3342	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	UNE-L New							
2			PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale/UNE 2W							
2			PR-4-05-3341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	UNE 2W Digital							
2			PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			PR-5-01-3112	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	UNE-L							
5			PR-5-02-3112	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE-L							
10			PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE-L New							
2			PR-6-01-3341	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
10			PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							
20			PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Large Job							
2			PR-8-01-3341	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
5			PR-8-01-3342	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							
20			PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Large Job							
10			PR-9-08-3533	Average Duration of Hot Cut Installation Troubles	UNE-L Total HC							
2			MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA							
10			MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE-L							
2			MR-3-01-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2W Digital							
5			MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-3-02-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE-L							
2			MR-3-02-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W Digital							
5			MR-3-02-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-02-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-02-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-02-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-03-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-03-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-03-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
2			MR-4-04-3341	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-04-3342	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-07-3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-07-3341	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-07-3342	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE-L							
10			MR-5-01-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE-L							
2			MR-5-01-3341	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-5-01-3342	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							

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III. SAMPLE RESALE MODE OF ENTRY REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon												Version 4.0
Perf Score	Wgt	Wgt'd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
241			MOE-Resale	Resale Mode of Entry Totals								
2			PO-1-01-6020	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	EDI							
2			PO-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Customer Service Record (CSR)	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
2			PO-1-03-6020	Average Response Time - Address Validation	EDI							
2			PO-1-03-6050	Average Response Time - Address Validation	WEB GUI/LSI/W							
5			PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EDI							
5			PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Web GUI							
10			OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	Resale POTS/Pre							
5			OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre							
5			OR-2-02-2320	% On Time LSR Reject - Flow-through	Resale POTS/Pre							
2			OR-2-04-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre							
2			OR-2-06-2320	% On Time LSR/ASR Rei - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre							
5			OR-4-16-1000	% Provisioning Comp. Notifiers sent - 1 Business Day	Resale/UNE (EDI)							
10			OR-5-03-2000	% Flow Through Achieved	Resale							
10			OR-6-03-2000	% Accuracy - LSRC	Resale							
5			PR-3-01-2100	% Completed in 1 Day - one (1) to five (5) Lines - No Dispatch	Resale POTS							
15			PR-4-02-2100	Average Delay Days - Total	Resale POTS							
10			PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale POTS							
20			PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS							
5			PR-5-01-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	Resale POTS							
5			PR-5-02-2100	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Resale POTS							
15			PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS							
2			MR-1-01-6050	Average Response Time - Create Trouble	LSI-TA							
2			MR-1-06-6050	Average Response Time - Test Trouble (POTS Only)	LSI-TA							
10			MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Bus							
10			MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Res							
10			MR-3-02-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Bus							
10			MR-3-02-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-02-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-02-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-03-2110	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-03-2120	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-07-2110	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS -							
5			MR-4-07-2120	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Resale POTS -							
5			MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Res							
10			MR-5-01-2100	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Resale POTS							
5			BI-1-02-1000	% DJF in four (4) Business Days	Resale & UNE							

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IV. SAMPLE INTERCONNECTION TRUNKS MODE OF ENTRY REPORT PAGE

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Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgtd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
140			MOE-Trunks	Trunks Mode of Entry Totals								
5			OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnect							
10			OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnect							
5			OR-1-19-5020	% On Time Response - Request for Inbound Augment Trunks	VZ Inbound Aug							
5			OR-2-12-5020	% On Time Trunk ASR Reject	Interconnect							
20			PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP							
20			PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning - Trunks	Interconnect							
5			PR-5-01-5000	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	Interconnect							
5			PR-5-02-5000	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	Interconnect							
10			PR-6-01-5000	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Interconnect							
5			PR-8-01-5000	Percent Open Orders in a Hold Status > 30 Days	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-01-5000	Mean Time To Repair - Total	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-05-5000	% Out of Service > 2 Hours	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-06-5000	% Out of Service > 4 Hours	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-07-5000	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	Interconnect							
5			MR-4-08-5000	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Interconnect							
10			MR-5-01-5000	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	Interconnect							
5			NP-1-03-5000	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked 2 months	CLEC Trunks							
10			NP-1-04-5000	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked 3 months	CLEC Trunks							

V. SAMPLE CRITICAL MEASURE REPORT PAGE

Performance Assurance Plan - Verizon												Version 4.0
Perf. Score	Wgt	Wgtd Score	Metric #	Metric Description	Product	VZ Perf.	CLEC Perf.	VZ Obs.	CLEC Obs.	VZ Std. Dev.	Difference or Stat. Score	Bill Credit
			CM-ALL	Critical Measures Totals								
10			OR-1-02-3331	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-04-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
5			OR-1-06-3331	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE-L/Pre-qual							
2			PR-4-04-1341	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale/UNE 2W							
10			PR-4-04-3113	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	UNE-L New							
2			PR-4-14-3342	% Completed On Time - 2-Wire xDSL	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			PR-6-01-3113	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE-L New							
2			PR-6-01-3342	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							
20			PR-6-02-3520	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-6-02-3523	% Installation Troubles reported within seven (7) Days	UNE-L Large Job							
20			PR-9-01-3520	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Basic HC							
10			PR-9-01-3523	% On Time Performance - Hot Cut	UNE-L Large Job							
2			MR-3-01-3112	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE-L							
2			MR-3-01-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE-L							
10			OR-1-02-2320	% On Time LSRC - Flow-through	Resale POTS/Pre-							
5			OR-1-04-2320	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	Resale POTS/Pre-							
10			PR-4-04-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Dispatch	Resale POTS							
20			PR-4-05-2100	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - No Dispatch	Resale POTS							
15			PR-6-01-2100	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	Resale POTS							
1			MR-3-01-2110	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Bus							
1			MR-3-01-2120	% Missed Repair Appointment - Loop	Resale POTS Res							
5			MR-4-08-2110	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Bus							
5			MR-4-08-2120	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	Resale POTS Res							
5			OR-1-12-5020	% On Time FOC	Interconnect							
10			OR-1-13-5000	% On Time Design Layout Record (DLR)	Interconnect							
20			PR-4-07-3540	% On Time Performance - LNP Only	UNE LNP							
20			PR-4-15-5000	% On Time Provisioning - Trunks	Interconnect							
10			NP-1-04-5000	# of Final Trunk Groups Blocked 3 months	CLEC Trunks							
2			OR-1-06-3211	% On Time LSRC/ASRC - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE Specials DS1							
2			OR-2-04-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Rel - No Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE/RES Specials							
2			OR-2-06-1200	% On Time LSR/ASR Rel - Facil Chk (Electr. No Flow-through)	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-1210	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-1211	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-1213	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PR-4-01-3530	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Total	UNE IOF							
2			PR-4-02-1200	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
5			PR-4-02-3530	Average Delay Days - Total	UNE IOF							
5			PR-5-01-1200	% Missed Appointment - Verizon - Facilities	UNE/RES Specials							
5			PR-5-02-1200	% Orders Held for Facilities > 15 Days	UNE/RES Specials							
5			PR-6-01-1200	% Installation Troubles reported within 30 Days	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-01-1216	Mean Time To Repair - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-01-1217	Mean Time To Repair - Total	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-08-1216	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/RES Specials							
2			MR-4-08-1217	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE/RES Specials							
2			PO-2-02-6010	OSS Interface Availability - Prime-Time	WPTS							
5			PO-2-02-6020	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	EOI							
5			PO-2-02-6080	OSS Interface Availability - Prime Time	Web GUI							
10			PO-4-01-6660	% Change Management Notices Sent on Time	Change							
25			BI-9-01-1000	% Billing Completeness in Twelve Billing Cycles	Resale/UNE							
2			MR-3-02-3341	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W Digital							
5			MR-3-02-3342	% Missed Repair Appointment - Central Office	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-02-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-02-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-02-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Loop Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-03-3112	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-03-3341	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-03-3342	Mean Time To Repair - Central Office Trouble	UNE 2W xDSL							
2			MR-4-04-3341	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-04-3342	% Cleared (all troubles) within 24 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
5			MR-4-07-3112	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE-L							
2			MR-4-07-3341	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-4-07-3342	% Out of Service > 12 Hours	UNE 2W xDSL							
10			MR-4-08-3112	% Out of Service > 24 Hours	UNE-L							
10			MR-5-01-3112	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE-L							
2			MR-5-01-3341	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W Digital							
2			MR-5-01-3342	% Repeat Reports within 30 Days	UNE 2W xDSL							

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**APPENDIX F: Background, Incentives, Reporting
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I. NEW YORK

A. New York Performance Assurance Plan Background Information

- **Case Number:** 99-C-0949, Petition filed by Bell Atlantic-New York for Approval of a Performance Assurance Plan and Change Control Assurance Plan, in 97-C-0271.
- **Initial Performance Assurance Plan:** Ordered by the New York State Public Service Commission on November 3, 1999.
- **Initial Performance Assurance Plan Effective Date:** The day Verizon NY gained entry into the interLATA market.
- **Other revisions to the Plan since its inception:**

Version	Order Date	Implementation Performance Month
1.0	11/3/1999	January 2000
1.1	3/9/2000	April 2000
2.0	12/15/2000	January 2001
2.1	5/8/2001	May 2001
3.0	1/24/2003	March. 2003
3.1	3/17/2005	October 2005
4.0	9/25/2006	March 2007

- **Performance Assurance Plan Version 4.0:** Ordered by the New York State Public Service Commission on September 25, 2006.
- **Performance Assurance Plan Version 4.0 Implementation Month:** March 2007 Performance Data.
- **Performance Assurance Plan Version 4.0 Filing Date:** October 25, 2006.

B. Incentive Amounts

Incentives for all sections of the Plan total \$101,207,232 million annually¹⁹ and are distributed among the major sections of the Plan as follows:

Mode of Entry²⁰					
	Loop-Based	Resale POTS	Trunks	Total	Total with Doubling
Annual	\$15,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$50,000,000
Monthly	\$1,250,000	\$416,667	\$416,667	\$2,083,334	\$4,166,667

Critical Measures	
	Total
Annual	\$51,207,232
Monthly	\$4,267,269

C. Annual Review, Updates and Audits

1. Annual Review and Updates

Each year, the New York Commission Staff and Verizon will review the Performance Assurance Plan to determine whether any modifications or additions should be made. All aspects of the Plan will be subject to review.

The annual review will not be subject to limitation, and any topic legitimately related to the Plan may be reviewed. All disputes are to be resolved by the Commission. Nothing in the Performance Assurance Plan can or will diminish Commission jurisdiction over Verizon service. The parties to Case 97-C-0271 will be given an opportunity to comment on any proposed

¹⁹ Interconnection agreements between Verizon NY and the CLECs remain an essential part of the statutory scheme under the 1996 Act. Although the performance provisions of those agreements will be in effect during the term of the agreements, Verizon NY will engage in good faith negotiations on new performance provisions when the current interconnection agreements expire. Where an existing interconnection agreement with a CLEC in New York State incorporates performance standards and remedies, such standards and remedies will not be unilaterally withdrawn by Verizon NY. Such standards and remedies will continue to be offered by Verizon NY in subsequent negotiations with those CLECs upon expiration of the existing agreements and similarly will be negotiated in good faith with other CLECs who request negotiation of such terms and conditions.

²⁰ Monthly amounts are subject to doubling as specified in Appendix A. Doubling raises the MOE total to \$50,000,000.

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modifications to the Performance Assurance Plan prior to formal Commission action. Any modifications to the Plan will be implemented as soon as is reasonably practical after Commission approval of the modifications.

2. Data Accuracy and Audits

At any time, the Staff may conduct an inquiry of selected portions of the Plan to assess whether Verizon is accurately recording and reporting CLEC and Verizon service quality data. Staff may continue Metric Replication to assure that the data reported in the monthly reports accurately reflects the service quality being provided to these CLECs.²¹ In addition, CLECs, upon a showing of good cause will have the right to challenge the accuracy of the data and/or scores related to any measure Verizon reports in the monthly summary reports.²² (See Appendix E.) In the event of such a challenge, Verizon, in consultation with Staff, will employ an independent outside auditor that will conduct a review of the challenged material. If the outside auditor finds that no material errors were made in the reporting of the data and/or scores, the CLEC initiating the audit will be responsible for paying all costs associated with the audit. If the CLEC's claim is sustained, Verizon will be responsible for the payment of such costs.

D. Quality Assurance Program

A Quality Assurance Program for Verizon's measures also exists in New York. Verizon established a Carrier-to-Carrier Service Quality Assurance Program after adoption of this Plan that leverages the successful experience gained from a similar program used in the retail environment. These procedures are introduced to provide oversight in a systematic way and to

²¹ Metric Replication evaluates Verizon's metrics process by attempting to recreate its performance metrics using filtered data from Verizon's data warehouse. Replication relies on mathematical techniques to verify and validate Verizon's performance and reporting of the metrics. The objective is to recreate Verizon's performance metrics using the technical definitions verified and validated in the C2C proceeding.

²² A two-year statute of limitation on challenges to Plan performance is in effect.

further continuous improvement in service quality reporting activities. Sampling and analysis techniques are employed for all Domains to ensure accuracy of measurement reporting and work-document accuracy.

Annual Reports shall be provided to the NYDPS staff. The most recent copy of the WQAP's audit plan shall be kept on the NYPSC web site.

E. Data, Bill Credit Payments and Exceptions Process

1. Data for Parity Metrics

Verizon will also provide NY Staff with all of the underlying retail and CLEC data used to calculate the Parity and Benchmark metrics in the Plan. Verizon will provide the Commission and the Staff of the Department of Public Service with the Carrier-to-Carrier Metric Algorithms ("CMAs") for each metric included in the Plan. The CMAs will be provided no later than two months after the Plan is adopted by the Commission.²³ The CMAs are proprietary to Verizon and are subject to copyright protection.

2. Bill Credit Payments

Should Verizon's performance not meet the standards set forth above for the MOE and Critical Measure measurements, CLECs will receive bill credits for those MOE categories or Critical Measures scores that fall below the respective minimum levels. To the extent warranted, bill credits will appear on each CLEC's bill within three months²⁴ after the month in which the unsatisfactory performance has occurred. If the bill credits exceed the balance due Verizon on the CLEC's bill, the net balance will be carried as a credit on to the CLEC's next month's bill.

²³ Verizon will provide updated CMA documentation in the event that PAP metrics have definition changes implemented pursuant to Case 97-C-0139.

²⁴ If metric NP-1-03-5000 has a preliminary score of -1 for the data month being evaluated, the bill credits may be delayed by 2 additional months when performance reports are available for the two subsequent report months (See footnote 16 in Appendix C).

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Verizon will issue checks in lieu of outstanding bill credits to CLECs that discontinue taking service from Verizon. Verizon may, however, exercise ordinary commercial means to ensure that it will not issue such a check prior to receipt of a CLEC's undisputed payments due Verizon.

3. Timeline for Performance Reports and Bill Credits

The following is the timeline for the filing reports, processing bill credits and the Exception Process.

Step	Action	Timing
1	Performance Reports ²⁵	The 25 th calendar day following the data month reported. ²⁶
2	Verizon Files Exceptions/Waiver on Performance (if applicable)	15 business days after filing of report
3	Non Disputed Credits Processed ²⁷	On the next CLEC bill ²⁸
4	CLEC and other interested parties Files Reply to Verizon Exceptions/Waiver	7 business days from Verizon's filing of Exception/Waiver
5	New York PSC Staff Issues Ruling on Exceptions	15 business days after CLEC Comments

²⁵ If metric NP-1-03-5000 has a preliminary score of -1 for the data month being evaluated, the final performance report and associated bill credits may be delayed until performance reports are available for the two subsequent report months. The final performance score for NP-1-03 in the month being evaluated is dependent on the performance scores from the subsequent two months. (See footnote 16 in Appendix C)

²⁶ If the 25th falls on a holiday or weekend, reports will be filed on the next business day.

²⁷ Verizon will hold contested bill credits pending resolution of Exception/Waiver. If the waiver is denied by the Commission, Verizon will compensate CLECs for up to 2 months of lost interest for amounts held while the waiver is under review. The lost interest rate will be set at the same rate Verizon applies to CLEC late payments.

²⁸ Verizon will process bill credits on the CLEC's bill within 15 days of Performance reporting. The credit will appear on the next available bill, subject to bill closing date.