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Joint CLECs 01-022

INTERVENOR: Covad Comm. Company, Eschelon Telecom of Utah, Inc., Integra Telecom of Utah, Inc., McLeodUSA Telecom. Services, Inc., and XO Communications Services, Inc.

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[Million 6:6] Is there any time where Qwest changed the code used to maintain its inventory of circuits and did not change the embedded base of circuits to the new format?

RESPONSE:

Prior to April 2005, Qwest did not require a change to the circuit IDs when a CLEC requested conversions from Private Line/Special Access to EEL; these circuits retained the Private Line service code modifiers. However, because of the difficulty this practice caused with Qwest's ability to track these products correctly in its systems, effective April 8, 2005, Qwest began utilizing the industry standard service code modifiers specific to EEL, and also established service code modifiers specific to Loop Mux Combo (LMC). Circuit IDs were required to be changed to reflect the new service code modifiers on all new requests, as well as new conversion requests from Private Lines to EEL/LMC and change orders on existing EEL/LMC circuits. Qwest also implemented the changes to those EEL and LMC Loops in the embedded base.

There were some CLECs that requested to opt out of the changes to their embedded base, which Qwest allowed. Those circuits remaining in the EEL/LMC embedded base with a Private Line circuit ID represent less than 7% of the total circuits impacted by the UNE to Private Line conversions. These circuits will retain their Private Line circuit IDs when they are converted from EEL/LMC to Private Lines. The conversion cost study has been adjusted to reflect those circuits that do not require circuit ID changes as part of the conversion process.

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