Instructions For Completing the August 1, 1999 Trunk Forecast Template Template Designed for use in all 14 Bell Atlantic Jurisdictions

Introduction

The purpose of this interconnection trunk forecast document is to provide guidelines for the formats and language to be used in exchanges of trunk forecast information between CLECs and Bell Atlantic.

This Trunk Forecasting Guide is in addition to, and does not cancel or terminate, any obligations that CLECs may have under interconnection agreements, tariffs or regulatory orders.

Forecast Scope

On a semi-annual basis (quarterly where specific contracts between Bell Atlantic and individual companies state quarterly forecasts as a requirement or where a significant change in demand occurs between forecast periods), CLECs shall provide Bell Atlantic with at least a two year detailed forecast of traffic and volume requirements for all interconnection trunking. This shall include requirements for both new growth and change in volumes. This forecast shall provide volume information on the following types of interconnection trunks:

- Local / Toll CLEC to Bell Atlantic
- Local / Toll Bell Atlantic to CLEC
- Measured 2-Way Trunking
- Wireless Interconnection Trunks
- 911 / E911
- Directory Assistance
- Operator Services
- Information Services
- IXC Access (Tandem Subtending)
- Choke
- Busy Line Verification

CLECs shall strive to provide Bell Atlantic with a high degree of accuracy. The Remarks section of the forecast template shall be used to identify high priority requirements and indicate special considerations. In the instructions and template the term "Carrier" is meant to describe a CLEC.

Please provide a completed trunk forecast to your Account Manager before August 1, 1999 and semi-annually thereafter on February 1st and August 1st except as noted above.

Trunk Forecast Template Individual Field Definitions

See Attachment #1 of Excel Spreadsheet

Header Section

1. Carrier Name:

DEFINITION: This field identifies the Telecommunications Carrier issuing the trunk forecast.

EXAMPLE: ABC Telecom

2. Forecast Issue Date:

DEFINITION: This field identifies the date the Telecommunications Carrier issues the trunk forecast.

EXAMPLE: 8/1/99

3. **Issued By:**

DEFINITION: This field identifies the name and the title of the person issuing the forecast for the Carrier.

USAGE: This information will be used by Bell Atlantic to contact the Carrier if additional information concerning the forecast is required.

EXAMPLE: Jane Doe, Network Manager

4. Reach Number:

DEFINITION: This field identifies the Telephone Reach Number of the Carrier employee who originated this trunk forecast. The field should contain a three-digit area code, three-digit exchange, and a four-digit line number.

USAGE: This information will be used by Bell Atlantic to contact the Carrier if additional information concerning the forecast is required.

EXAMPLE: 1-800-555-1212

5. **LATA:**

DEFINITION: This field indicates the LATA that the trunk group(s) forecast will serve.

A separate forecast template should be prepared for each LATA for which the Carrier is providing trunk forecasts.

USAGE: This information will be used to distribute the forecasts to appropriate personnel within Bell Atlantic.

EXAMPLE: 132

Trunk Group Specific Section

6. ACTL (Access Customer Terminal Location) / POI (Point of Interface):

DEFINITION: This field identifies the CLLI Code of the Terminal Location / POI of the Carrier providing the IntraLATA Service. If the Carrier does not have a CLLI Code for a particular ACTL / POI, the Carrier should contact their Bell Atlantic account manager to obtain a code prior to the submission of the trunk forecast. For new trunk groups only, an 8-character CLLI code may be used if an 11-character code is not yet available.

USAGE: This field identifies the physical drop-off point of traffic.

EXAMPLE: GRCYNYAANMD

7. TSC (Two Six Code) / New:

DEFINITION: This field identifies the unique number assigned to the Trunk Group by Bell Atlantic. For new trunk groups, indicate "New" in the field.

USAGE: This field assures that Bell Atlantic and the Carrier are referencing the appropriate trunk group.

EXAMPLE: AQ123456

8. BELL ATLANTIC CLLI:

DEFINITION: This field is the eleven - (11) character CLLI (Common Language Location Identification) Code of the Bell Atlantic switch.

USAGE: The CLLI identifies the Bell Atlantic switch in unique terms.

EXAMPLE: GRCYNYCG02T

9A. **TO** (**Traffic Origination**)

DEFINITION: This field is used to identify the direction of traffic for each trunk group between Bell Atlantic and the Carrier.

USAGE: The following codes should be used. BA = Traffic originates with Bell Atlantic, CL = Traffic originates with Carrier, 2W = Two Way Traffic (where available).

EXAMPLE: BA, CL, 2W

9. **DS** (Direction and Type of Signaling)

DEFINITION: This field is a two character code which identifies the direction of traffic movement for trunk groups and the type of pulsing signals between the Bell Atlantic and Carrier location. Refer to Bellcore standard for a complete list of definitions. The following table represents the most common selections:

DS	Description
MM	Two way MF pulsing
-M	MF pulsing from Carrier to Bell Atlantic
M-	MF pulsing from Bell Atlantic to Carrier
77	Twoway SS#7 pulsing
-7	SS#7 pulsing from Carrier to Bell Atlantic
7-	SS#7 pulsing from Bell Atlantic to Carrier

USAGE: This field is required to help identify the components necessary to build the trunk group.

EXAMPLE: MM

10. Carrier SWITCH CLLI:

DEFINITION: This field is the eleven - (11) character CLLI code of the Carrier Switch.

USAGE: The CLLI identifies the Carrier switch in unique terms.

EXAMPLE: GRCYNYAADS0

11. **INTERFACE TYPE (Point of Interconnection):**

DEFINITION: This element describes the Interface Group desired for this traffic. These Groups relate to the Carrier POI Interface Groups for Switched Access Service.

Interface	CLEC/Bell Atlantic Point of
Type	Interconnection
DS1	DS1 Level High Speed Digital (1.544 MBPS)

DS3	DS3 Level High Speed Digital (44.736
	MBPS)

USAGE: This field is required on all documents.

EXAMPLE: DS1

12. **56 KB or 64 Clear Channel:**

DEFINITION: This field defines the requirement for either 56KB or 64 clear channel on this trunk group. Note: 64 clear channel shall be provided where available.

USAGE: This field is required to help identify the components necessary to build the trunk group.

EXAMPLE: 56 or 64

Trunk Forecast Section (See Attachment #2 of Excel Spreadsheet for Examples)

• Current Year Trunk Requirements

13. Trunks In-Service as of Forecast Issue Date:

DEFINITION: This field identifies the number of **DS0** trunks In Service for this trunk group as of the date of the forecast.

USAGE: This information gives Bell Atlantic the starting point for this forecast.

EXAMPLE: 192

14. **1Q FCST, 2Q FCST, 3Q FCST, 4Q FCST:**

DEFINITION: These fields indicate the cumulative trunk quantity forecasted for each quarter of the current year. Quantities indicate end of quarter requirements. As semi-annual updates are provided, fields for past quarters should be used to indicate actual inservice amounts.

USAGE: This information will identify any changes in requirements for the current year.

EXAMPLE: 192 Trunks (Only the number of DS0 trunks required)

• Trunk Forecast Requirements: Current Year + 1

15. **1Q FCST, 2Q FCST, 3Q FCST, 4Q FCST:**

DEFINITION: These fields indicate the cumulative trunk quantities forecasted for the First Future Year (Current Year +1) by quarter for that year. Quantities indicate end of quarter requirements.

USAGE: This information provides an indication of timing as well as volumes for the forecast year.

EXAMPLE: 216 Trunks (Only the number of DS0 trunks required)

16. Trunk Forecast Requirements: Current Year + 2:

DEFINITION: This field indicates the cumulative trunk quantities forecasted to be required for the second future Year (Current Year +2) as of the end of the year.

USAGE: This information provides volumes for the forecast year.

EXAMPLE: 216 Trunks (Only the number of DS0 trunks required)

• Other

17. **REMARKS**:

DEFINITION: This field is used to expand upon or clarify forecast data for each trunk group. It should be used to identify the sizing and timing of major projects, major shifts in demand, new switches etc.

USAGE: This field should be used to identify high priority requirements and other forecast items to be included in correspondence and discussions with Bell Atlantic.

EXAMPLE: Will be establishing new POI in 1999.