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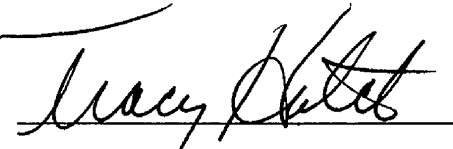
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In re: Implementation of requirements arising )  
from Federal Communications Commission ) Docket No. 030852-TP  
Triennial UNE Review: Location-Specific Review )  
for DS1, DS3 and Dark Fiber Loops, and Route- )  
Specific Review for DS1, DS3 and Dark Fiber )  
Transport. )

**SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF**

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1   **Q.    PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND POSITION**  
2       **TITLE.**

3    A.    My name is Jay M. Bradbury. My business address is 1200 Peachtree Street,  
4       Suite 8100, Atlanta, Georgia 30309. I am employed by AT&T Corp. (“AT&T”)  
5       as a District Manager in the Law and Government Affairs Organization.

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7   **Q.    ARE YOU THE SAME JAY M. BRADBURY THAT PREVIOUSLY FILED**  
8       **REBUTTAL TESTIMONY IN THIS DOCKET ON JANUARY 21, 2004?**

9    A.    Yes, I am.

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11   **Q.    WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

12   A.    My surrebuttal testimony responds to portions of the rebuttal testimony of  
13       BellSouth’s witnesses Shelley W. Padgett.

14       Ms.Padgett’s testimony repeats yet again misleading terminology, concepts, and  
15       “interpretations” regarding the deployment of physical facilities and the electronic  
16       components associated with them, which obfuscate how dedicated transport is  
17       actually provisioned and which must be evaluated by this Commission using the  
18       guidance contained in the Triennial Review Order<sup>1</sup> (TRO). Ms. Padgett’s  
19       testimony then relies upon these defective foundations to support BellSouth’s  
20       claims that it should be relieved of the obligation to provide dedicated transport as

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<sup>1</sup> Report and Order and Order on Remand and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, *In the Matter of Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers* (CC Docket No. 01-338); *Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996* (CC Docket No. 96-98); *Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability* (CC Docket No. 98-147), FCC No. 03-36 (rel. Aug. 21, 2003).

1 Unbundled Network Elements (UNE). I provide an overview of the reality of  
2 AT&T's, and other CLECs', deployment of collocations, fiber cables, and  
3 electronics that demonstrates BellSouth has not met the requirements of the TRO  
4 and is not eligible for the relief it seeks.  
5

6 **Q. DOES AT&T ENDORSE OR SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY OF FLORIDA**  
7 **COMPETITIVE CARRIER ASSOCIATION (FCCA) WITNESS GARY J.**  
8 **BALL FILED IN THIS DOCKET?**

9 A. Yes, as I noted in my rebuttal testimony, AT&T is a member of FCCA and is  
10 therefore a sponsor of his testimony. In addition to sponsoring Mr. Ball's  
11 testimony, AT&T also filed rebuttal testimony on January 21, 2004, as the  
12 testimony of various witnesses had direct relevance to facts about AT&T's  
13 operations in Florida. Ms. Padgett's rebuttal testimony also relates directly to  
14 facts about AT&T's operations in Florida in a manner contrary to AT&T's  
15 interests in this docket.  
16

17 **Q. PLEASE IDENTIFY THE PORTIONS OF MS. PADGETT'S REBUTTAL**  
18 **TESTIMONY TO WHICH YOU ARE YOU RESPONDING.**

19 A. I will be addressing Ms. Padgett's comments on pages 3 through 6 of her rebuttal  
20 testimony addressing the definition of a "route" for dedicated transport between  
21 ILEC central offices.

1   **Q.   ON PAGE 4 OF HER REBUTTAL TESTIMONY MS. PADGETT**  
2       **REPEATS THE BELL SOUTH CLAIM THAT “IT IS REASONABLE TO**  
3       **ASSUME THAT A CARRIER HAS A ‘ROUTE’ BETWEEN ANY PAIR OF**  
4       **INCUMBENT LEC WIRE CENTERS IN THE SAME LATA WHERE IT**  
5       **HAS OPERATIONAL COLLOCATION ARRANGEMENTS.” IF A**  
6       **FIBER CABLE RUNS BETWEEN TWO COLLOCATIONS OF THE**  
7       **SAME CLEC, IS IT APPROPRIATE TO CONCLUDE THAT A “ROUTE”**  
8       **HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AND THAT DEDICATED TRANSPORT IS**  
9       **PROVIDED?**

10   **A.**   No. The mere existence of a fiber cable running past (or even through) two points  
11       proves nothing with regard to its use to provide end-to-end direct (non-switched)  
12       connectivity between those points. First, the Commission should understand that  
13       a fiber cable is not a single continuous transmission path. Rather, a single fiber  
14       cable is composed of multiple bundles (sheaths) each of which contains multiple  
15       fibers strands. Although a cable route may “run through” both ILEC office A and  
16       office B, the two offices may not even be connected to the same fiber, much less  
17       to fiber in the same bundle. In fact, most of the fiber sheaths will only pass by the  
18       wire center, remaining in the conduit running down the street in front of the  
19       building rather than being split off to enter the wire center. In addition, there is no  
20       guarantee that all the fibers that are placed from a CLEC’s collocation to the main  
21       cable are actually spliced to a fiber in the main cable. Once the fiber strands enter  
22       the cable vault of the wire center, the incumbent generally provides the  
23       connection between the cable vault and the collocation. Frequently, there is a



1 charge applied *per fiber strand* connected. Hence, the CLEC may not opt to  
2 connect all strands within a sheath to its collocation.

3 If the two ILEC offices have not been configured to provide termination of the  
4 same fiber pairs on the same transmission system, then the CLEC does not (and  
5 cannot) have physical connectivity between the two locations unless a grooming  
6 and cross-connection function is provided at a third physical location on the same  
7 pairs and system.

8 AT&T typically connects its on-net collocations, that is, collocations to which it  
9 has constructed fiber facilities to its network (i.e., an entrance facility), using two-  
10 point rings, where one point is the collocation and the second is the AT&T  
11 network location (e.g., an AT&T switching center or point of presence).  
12 Accordingly, it is not possible to provide “dedicated transport” because, even  
13 though more than one collocation is on the same cable route, the collocations are  
14 not on the same fibers. AT&T’s practice is shown in Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_, JMB-SR1.

15 AT&T ring construction practices do not provide for multiple incumbent wire  
16 centers on the same ring. In the rare instances that multiple incumbent wire  
17 centers exist on the same ring, this condition is likely to be the result of (1)  
18 acquiring the fiber network of a company that deployed such configurations or (2)  
19 sales force error (e.g., sales personnel making commitments based on an  
20 erroneous belief that a building was on AT&T’s network when it was not). In any  
21 event, the presence of multiple incumbent wire centers on the same  
22 ring/transmission system is a rare operational exception to AT&T’s network

1        engineering practices. From my discussions with other CLECs, I believe this to  
2        be true of most CLEC fiber deployments. However, as I will discuss later, even  
3        when multiple incumbent wire centers are on the same ring/transmission system  
4        one cannot “assume” that a route between them exists.

5  
6    **Q.    WHY WOULD A CLEC PUT DIFFERENT COLLOCATIONS ON THE**  
7    **SAME FIBER CABLE BUT NOT THE SAME FIBER?**

8    A.    There are a number of practical reasons. First, the ability to place a collocation on  
9        a particular fiber presumes operational readiness of all the collocations on the  
10       fiber at essentially the same time the fiber strand/system was activated. Said  
11       another way, the entire transmission system can only be activated when the last  
12       node is ready. Past experience has shown that delay at one or more sites is  
13       frequently experienced.

14       Delays in collocation readiness or construction impediments at only one location  
15       may force the carrier to choose between deferring activation for the entire system  
16       or implementing a different network design. Such a delay, in turn, may make the  
17       difference between whether or not a large retail customer accepts service from the  
18       CLEC. Therefore, the more practical approach is to run the fiber cable into a  
19       location (or to the access point just outside the wire center), if possible, and then  
20       activate each collocation on its own two-point ring using its own fiber pair(s).<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> The term “fiber pair” is used here as a term of convenience. Typically, a protected transmission system utilizes one pair of fibers to transmit traffic in one direction (e.g., a clockwise direction) with a second pair is assigned to provide transmission in the opposite direction (e.g., the counterclockwise direction). This provides for immediate restoration capability in the event of a fiber cut or transmission equipment failure on the active path. Accordingly four fiber strands terminate on the optical multiplexer but two fiber strands (one in the primary and one in the backup direction) are required for the entire “circumference” of the ring.

1       This has the advantage of divorcing the timing of the cable construction from the  
2       timing of collocation activation or augment.

3       A second major advantage is that extremely precise projections of the demand  
4       accessible at the collocation are not required – just a reasonable assurance that a  
5       minimum critical mass will be achieved. After that, capacity needed to provide  
6       service can be achieved using the existing capacity of the two-point system (i.e.,  
7       by adding plug-in modules) or by upgrading the system to higher transmission  
8       capacities (e.g., from OC48 to OC192). Should such an upgrade be required, it  
9       impacts only the customers served out of that particular wire center. In contrast,  
10      if multiple wire centers were on the same transmission system (i.e., fiber) all the  
11      wire centers on that fiber are potentially affected by a reconfiguration.

12  
13    **Q.    ISN'T IT TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE FOR A CLEC TO CREATE A**  
14    **CONNECTION IF THE TWO OFFICES ARE ON THE SAME FIBER**  
15    **CABLE?**

16    **A.**    Yes, but there is a significant distinction between what is technically feasible and  
17            what is operationally and economically practical. Even though technology may  
18            permit a carrier to create a dedicated transport path between two points, the cost  
19            of doing so can be substantial, particularly given that the demand between the two  
20            endpoints in the incumbent's network will likely be very small. Accordingly, the  
21            FCC's trigger analysis properly requires that a "trigger firm" actually be  
22            providing service between the identified offices that form a dedicated transport  
23            route. As with all facilities construction, a carrier cannot reasonably be expected

1 to incur the costs of providing connections unless it is a rational approach to the  
2 serving arrangement and has the prospect to generate revenues sufficient to cover  
3 the costs incurred. And it is highly likely that a CLEC's demand for capacity  
4 between two ILEC wire locations on its own ring would be too small to justify  
5 such an approach.  
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7 **Q. ON PAGE 5 AND 6 OF HER REBUTTAL TESTIMONY MS. PADGETT**  
8 **CHALLENGES THE CONCEPT THAT THE TRO REQUIRES THAT A**  
9 **CLEC MUST BE "PROVIDING TRANSPORT SERVICE BETWEEN THE**  
10 **TWO ILEC WIRE CENTERS," FOR A ROUTE TO BE COUNTED. MR.**  
11 **BALL'S DIRECT TESTIMONY MAKES THIS STATEMENT AT PAGE**  
12 **21, YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY SUPPORTS THE CONCEPT AT**  
13 **PAGE 9, AND YOU JUST REPEATED THE STATEMENT IN YOUR**  
14 **RESPONSE ABOVE. PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOUR AND MR. BALL'S**  
15 **INTERPRETATION OF THE TRO IS CORRECT.**

16 **A.** It is only logical that the self-provisioning test must include only routes over  
17 which the named CLEC is actually providing service to itself. The TRO consists  
18 of 485 pages of commentary, including facts, analysis, discussions, findings and  
19 guidance to the industry and state regulators, and only 35 pages of rules, in  
20 Appendix B. Ms. Padgett's testimony focuses narrowly and exclusively upon the  
21 rule, without regard for the content of the text of the order. While I am not an  
22 attorney, it is my understanding that rules are to be applied using the associated

1 text from the body of the order for context and guidance. As a layperson, such a  
2 process only makes sense – otherwise, why bother publishing the 485 pages.  
3 The body of the order contains multiple references supporting the proposition that  
4 the FCC intended that its self-provisioning test must include only routes over  
5 which the named CLEC is actually providing transport to itself.

6 Dedicated interoffice transmission facilities (transport) are facilities  
7 dedicated to a particular customer or competitive carrier that it uses for  
8 transmission among incumbent LEC central offices and tandem offices.  
9 Competing carriers generally use interoffice transport as a means to  
10 aggregate end-user traffic to achieve economies of scale. They do so by  
11 using dedicated transport to carry traffic from their end user's loops, often  
12 terminating at incumbent LEC central offices, through other central offices  
13 to a point of aggregation. (TRO ¶ 361, emphasis added, citations deleted.)  
14

15 The first trigger is designed to identify routes along which the ability to  
16 self-provision is evident based on the existence of several competitive  
17 transport facilities. (TRO ¶ 400, emphasis added.)  
18

19 We also expect that the triggers we adopt will produce desirable incentives  
20 for competing carriers to build out their transport networks. As a policy  
21 matter, we find that unbundling can create a disincentive for competitive  
22 LECs to deploy transport. After incurring substantial fixed and sunk costs,  
23 a carrier that has deployed transport facilities must continue to compete  
24 against carriers able to obtain unbundled transport without incurring any  
25 large costs. Moreover, the triggers will benefit competing carriers that  
26 invest or have invested in their own transport facilities by attracting  
27 additional wholesale customers to mitigate the costs of deployment if their  
28 facilities trigger a finding of no impairment that eliminates unbundling.  
29 (TRO ¶ 404)  
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31 As noted above, we give substantial weight to actual commercial  
32 deployment of an element by competing carriers. Therefore, our trigger  
33 identifies existing examples of deployment by multiple competitive LECs  
34 on a route-specific basis. (TRO ¶ 405, emphasis added, citations deleted.)  
35

36 Each counted self-provisioned facility along a route must be operationally  
37 ready to provide transport into or out of an incumbent LEC central office.  
38 TRO ¶ 406, emphasis added.)

1 Each of the FCC's concepts, guidance, or anticipated incentives discussed in these  
2 paragraphs would be devoid of meaning if, as Ms. Padgett suggests, CLECs do  
3 not have to be actually using self-provided transport for the trigger to be met.  
4

5 **Q. WHY WOULD A CLEC NOT BE IN THE BUSINESS OF PROVIDING**  
6 **THE EQUIVALENT OF DEDICATED TRANSPORT ON A RETAIL**  
7 **BASIS?**

8 A. The practical purpose of connecting one ILEC office to another (as opposed to  
9 connecting each office to the CLEC's network) is either (1) to provide a dedicated  
10 (private line) retail service between two customer premises, one of which is  
11 served by a loop from office A and the other served by a loop from office B, or  
12 (2) to provide wholesale service to other carriers between those two endpoints.  
13 Only the first situation would result in a condition appropriate for consideration in  
14 a self-provisioning trigger, and even then only if the total demand were less than  
15 12 DS3s worth of capacity (the only capacity that can be obtained as a UNE).  
16 Using such a configuration for retail service strains credibility. A customer that  
17 might have substantial demand between two ILEC wire centers would also (most  
18 likely) have even more traffic running to locations well beyond those two wire  
19 centers. That is, a customer is unlikely to have multi-megabits of transmission  
20 between two points in close proximity unless those two points are also connected  
21 to many other locations outside the local area. Given that such a hypothetical  
22 customer would be a very large enterprise customer, the CLEC would likely also  
23 build the loop out to the customer location. Accordingly, the CLEC would not be  
24 using or providing "dedicated transport" in that case, because the end-points of

1 the facility are two customer premises, not two incumbent wire centers. (AT&T's  
2 private line product and design specifications require that at least one end of the  
3 service be over an AT&T self-provided loop.)

4 Furthermore, the interconnection of the segments (loop and transport) would not  
5 likely occur in the incumbent's offices but would instead be made in a building  
6 where the CLEC has unrestricted access, typically one owned (or leased) by the  
7 CLEC. Again, such a configuration would not connect two ILEC wire centers  
8 and therefore could not even be considered a dedicated transport configuration.

9  
10 **Q. WHY WOULD THE CLEC PROVIDING A PRIVATE LINE SERVICE**  
11 **PREFER TO CONNECT THE SELF-PROVIDED LOOP AND INTER-**  
12 **PREMISES SEGMENT AT A LOCATION OTHER THAN THE**  
13 **TRADITIONAL SERVING WIRE CENTER (OF THE INCUMBENT)?**

14 A. The self-constructed loop facility would generally run back to the CLEC's  
15 network node, rather than to ILEC collocation, and then be connected to other  
16 fiber as the particular customer design warrants. This affords the CLEC a better  
17 ability to control service quality, because its nodes are generally manned round-  
18 the-clock, or at least are generally accessible. In addition, fewer potential points  
19 of failure (splice points and add/drop multiplexers) are generally involved.  
20 Furthermore, CLECs generally employ collocation to obtain interconnection with  
21 the incumbent LEC's network and to gain access to UNEs. In this instance,  
22 neither is involved. As a result, a CLEC would not ordinarily use costly

1 collocations to create the connection, particularly one that connects facilities that  
2 it self-provides entirely from the customer's premises to its network.

3  
4 **Q. ARE THERE OTHER REASONS WHY A CLEC WOULD NOT PROVIDE**  
5 **"DEDICATED TRANSPORT" DESPITE HAVING A CABLE BETWEEN**  
6 **TWO INCUMBENT OFFICES?**

7 A. Yes. Equally important from an operational/network perspective, is the fact that  
8 transmission capacity on multi-node fiber ring is "zero sum." This means that if  
9 capacity is "drained off" to provide direct termination of traffic between two  
10 points on the ring (i.e., to provide dedicated transport between two ILEC offices),  
11 it reduces the CLEC's capacity to terminate traffic at other points on the same  
12 ring. This occurs because all traffic on a protected ring travels around the entire  
13 ring on a transmission system that has fixed capacity.<sup>3</sup>

14 A simple hypothetical example can help illustrate the constraint. (This example  
15 violates AT&T ring design policy.) Page 1 of Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_, JMB-SR2  
16 depicts an OC48 system on a hypothetical CLEC ring that passes through two  
17 ILEC central offices and a CLEC node associated with the CLEC's switch. In  
18 this example, all traffic from ILEC office A is routed directly to the CLEC's  
19 node/switch and all traffic from ILEC office B is also routed directly to the  
20 CLEC's node/switch, and there are no connections between ILEC offices A and

21 B. Each collocation uses 24 of the 48 DS3's. The entire capacity of the system is

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<sup>3</sup> This characterization is a simplification. In actuality, it is more likely that the transmission segment will be active in only one direction. In the event that a transmission failure is detected, the system will automatically activate a transmission path in the opposite direction.



1 utilized in the above example. I have labeled the DS3s being carried on the ring  
2 between the nodes for the “primary” (clockwise transmission). If the “backup”  
3 (counter-clockwise transmission) activated, the numbers of DS3s would remain  
4 the same with the A, B and N labels reversing position.

5 If the CLEC were to reconfigure its ring to establish a transport route for traffic  
6 between ILEC offices A and B, the capacity available to permit ingress and egress  
7 at the CLEC’s network (i.e., A to N and B to N) is reduced. If we assume 6 DS3s  
8 are required between A and B, the carrier’s revised network configuration is  
9 shown on page 2 of Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_, JMB-SR2. Now, only 21 DS3s are  
10 available to carry traffic from each of the collocations to the switch.

11 Thus, the direct routing of traffic between intermediate points on a ring will be the  
12 rare exception rather than the rule, because it “steals” capacity from the  
13 mainstream purpose of the CLEC’s self-provided facilities – to connect retail  
14 customers to its network.

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16 **Q. COULD THE SUB-OPTIMIZATION YOU DESCRIBED ABOVE BE**  
17 **EFFECTIVELY ADDRESSED BY MAKING A CONNECTION**  
18 **BETWEEN THE TWO INCUMBENT OFFICES AT THE CLEC’S NODE?**

19 **A.** No, not without the insertion of additional grooming functionality. This  
20 grooming capability is provided through a device such as a Digital Cross-  
21 connection System (DCS). A DCS is not an inexpensive device and itself  
22 consumes floor space and power resources. In fact, in the example discussed  
23 above, for the 6 A to B DS3’s to become operational there would have to be

1 additional equipment installed at A, B and N. Nevertheless, the Commission  
2 must keep in mind that technical feasibility is not sufficient evidence to conclude  
3 that there has been actual provisioning of dedicated transport.  
4

5 **Q. ON PAGES 3 AND 4 OF HER REBUTTAL TESTIMONY MS. PADGETT**  
6 **CLAIMS THAT UNDER THE TRO DEDICATED TRANSPORT**  
7 **INCLUDES SWITCHING. IS THIS CORRECT?**

8 A. No. Nothing in the TRO changes the traditional separation of “dedicated”  
9 transport, which has never included switching, from “shared” or “common”  
10 transport which does, and in fact, can only be accessed by the use of switching.

11 BellSouth’s sister ILEC SBC has no problem understanding this. In testimony  
12 filed before the California Public Utilities Commission on November 20, 2003.  
13 Mr. Scott J. Alexander provided the following definition of dedicated transport.

14 Dedicated transport facilities connect two points within a communications  
15 network, so that information can be transmitted between those two points.  
16 “Dedicated” transport means all or part of the facility is dedicated to a  
17 particular carrier or use and that there is no switching interposed along the  
18 transport route.

19  
20 (Emphasis added – testimony in dockets R. 95-04-043 and I. 95-04-044.  
21 November 20, 2003) (See Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_, JMB-SR3)

22 Ms. Padgett’s testimony on these two pages also incorrectly asserts that Mr. Ball  
23 and the CLEC have excluded routes between two end points that might happen to  
24 pass through other points from our “interpretation” of a route. Ms. Padgett is  
25 simply wrong. Dedicated transport does not include switching and the CLEC’s  
26 testimony does not state that diverse routing negates the fact that two end points  
27 connected using dedicated transport constitute a route.

1    **Q.    IS AT&T A SELF-PROVIDER OR WHOLESALER OF DEDICATED**  
2       **TRANSPORT IN FLORIDA?**

3    A.    No.  As discussed above and in my rebuttal testimony AT&T does not provide  
4       ILEC wire center to ILEC wire center dedicated transport to itself and therefore is  
5       incapable of being a provider of wholesale dedicated transport.  BellSouth knows  
6       these facts from the discovery responses AT&T has submitted.  Ms. Padgett's  
7       rebuttal testimony does not change these facts.  BellSouth has not met the  
8       requirements of the TRO and is not eligible for the relief it seeks.

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10   **Q.    DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

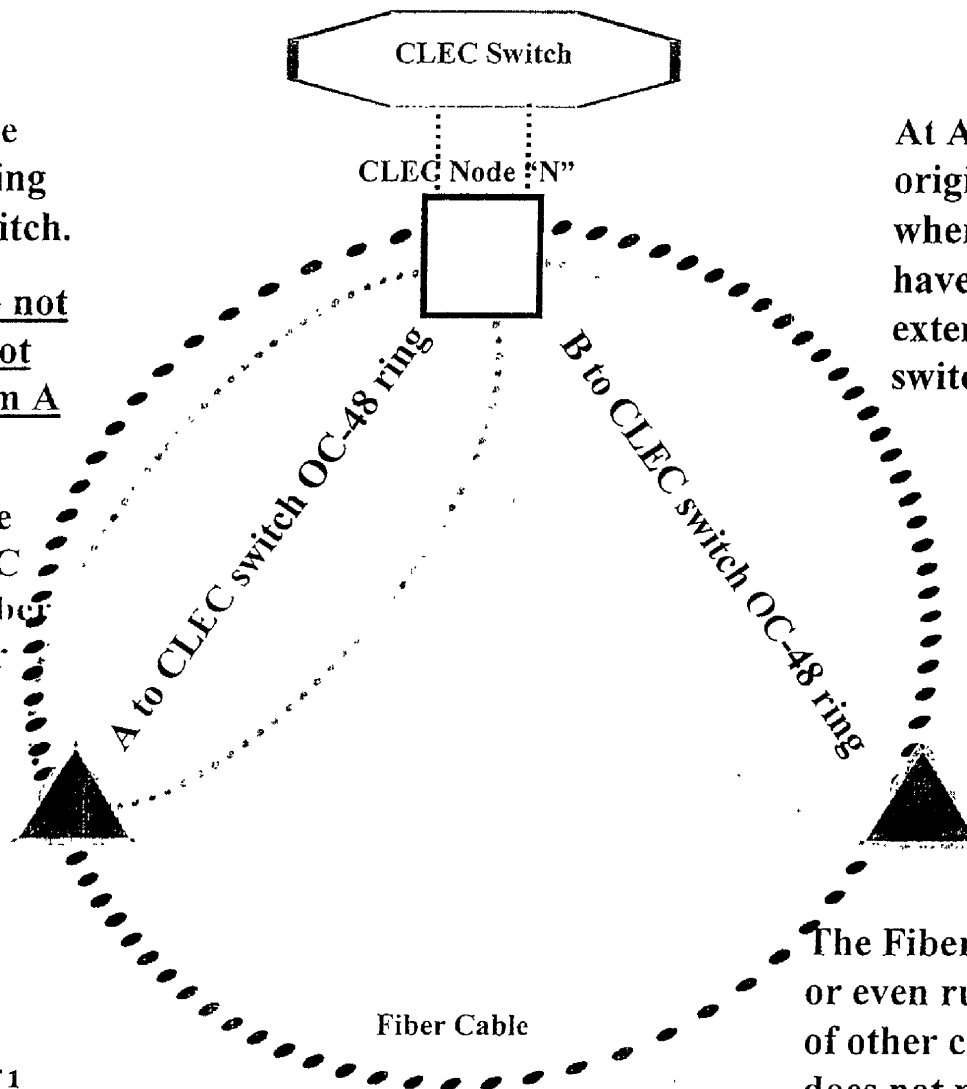
11   A.    Yes, it does.

Ring A and Ring B are used exclusively to bring loops to the CLEC switch.

Ring A and Ring B do not interconnect and do not provide a "route" from A to B.

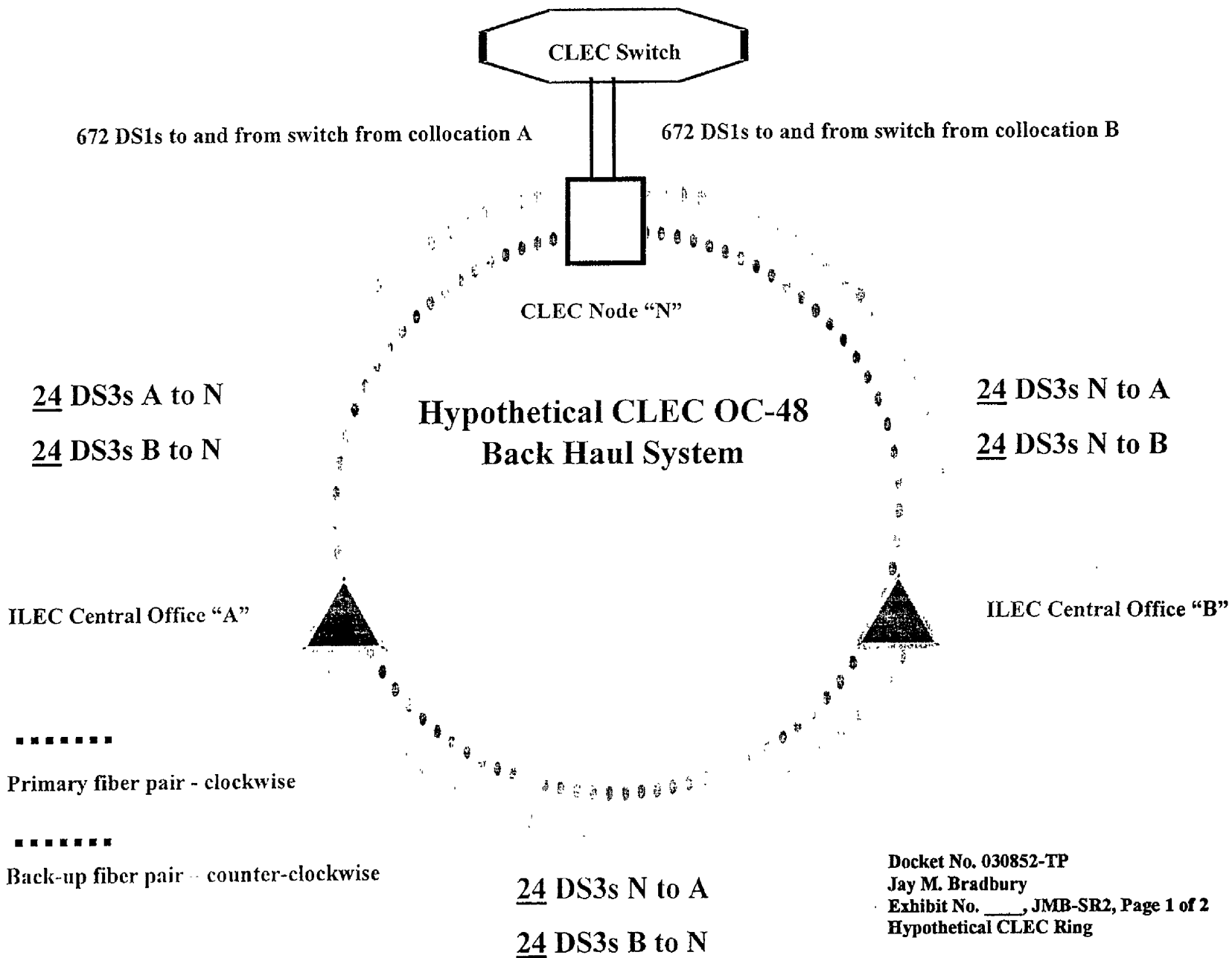
Ring A and Ring B are connected to the CLEC switch using unique fiber strands from the Fiber Cable.

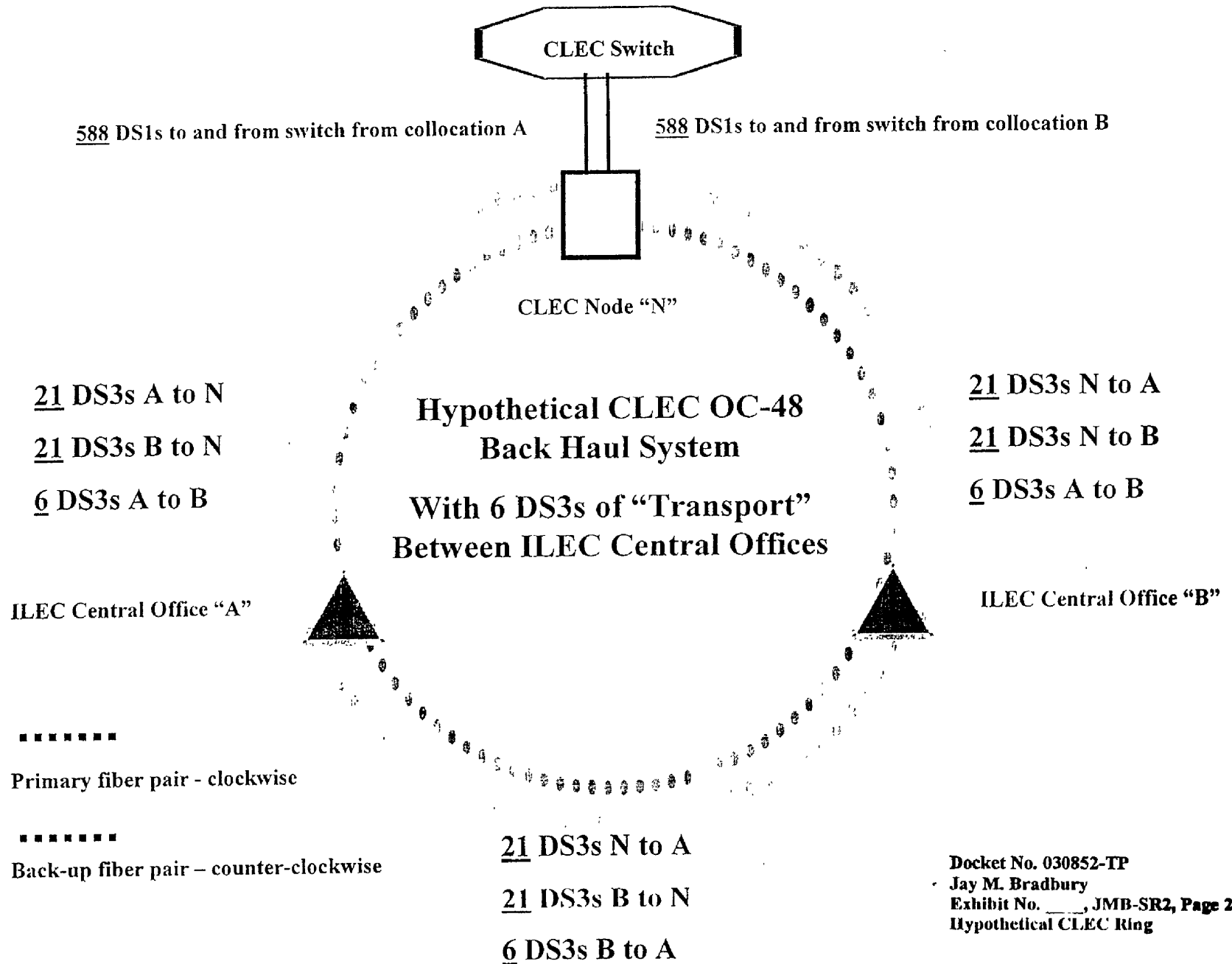
ILEC Central Office "A"



At A and B the rings originate in collocations where customer loops have been aggregated for extension to the CLEC switch.

The Fiber Cable may pass near or even run through a number of other central offices, but this does not provide a "route" between any of them.





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1 responses to the discovery requests issued by the Commission and the parties. SBC  
2 received partial discovery responses to the Commission's data requests on the date of this  
3 filing and has yet to receive complete discovery responses from any parties in response to  
4 its own requests. SBC is in the process of analyzing the data it has received in light of  
5 the considerations set forth by the FCC for potential deployment. Further, the upcoming  
6 workshop should be an additional source of competitive carrier information.

7  
8 **Q7. How is your testimony organized?**

9 **A7.** First, in Section I.B, I provide background information about dedicated transport and  
10 generally describe the development and extent of competitive transport facilities. Next, I  
11 discuss in Section I.C the pertinent provisions of the FCC's *Triennial Review Order*. In  
12 Section II, I apply the FCC's "triggers" for self-provisioned and wholesale transport  
13 (which are based on existing competitive facilities). Overall, I describe the evidence of  
14 competitive facilities that I considered, and demonstrate that such evidence supports (at a  
15 minimum) a *prima facie* showing of "non-impairment" for the dedicated transport routes  
16 I identify.

17  
18 **B. Background**

19 **Q8. What is dedicated transport?**

20 **A8.** Dedicated transport facilities connect two points within a communications network, so  
21 that information can be transmitted between those two points. "Dedicated" transport  
22 means all or part of the facility is dedicated to a particular carrier or use and that there is  
23 no switching interposed along the transport route.



1 **Q10. How does SBC use dedicated transport within its own network?**

2 **A10.** SBC's network architecture has traditionally used "central offices" (also known as "end  
3 offices" or "wire centers") which link end users in a given area to the network, and  
4 "tandem" offices, which connect central offices. Dedicated transport facilities run  
5 between SBC's central offices, between central offices and tandem offices, and between  
6 tandem offices. Such transport facilities are generally referred to as "interoffice  
7 transmission facilities" because they connect two of SBC's offices. Attachment 1  
8 illustrates dedicated transport in SBC's network. Dedicated transport, as discussed in my  
9 testimony, consists of dedicated interoffice transmission facilities that are dedicated to a  
10 particular customer or carrier. "Shared" transport, which consists of transmission  
11 facilities shared by more than one carrier, is not at issue in this case.  
12

13 **Q11. What is "dark" fiber?**

14 **A11.** Dark fiber is deployed fiber optic cable (or fiber strands within an existing fiber optic  
15 cable) between two points. It is called "dark" fiber because the cable (or some of the  
16 fiber strands in the cable) have not been "lit" by optronic equipment (which transmits  
17 information in the form of lightwave pulses, as I described above) on either end of the  
18 fiber. Dark fiber *transport* is unlit fiber cable (or strands) between two SBC central  
19 offices. A dark fiber *loop* (which I discuss in separate testimony on high-capacity loops)  
20 is unlit fiber between a customer location and an SBC central office.  
21

22 **Q12. Have carriers other than SBC deployed transport facilities?**

23 **A12.** Yes. Nationwide, competing carriers of all sizes have deployed over 184,000 miles of  
24 fiber optic cable. The Association for Local Telecommunications Services ("ALTS"), an