



Telecom Order CRTC 2012-681

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Rogers Communications Partnership – Withdrawal of multi-frequency (MF) routing option

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1. The Commission received an application from Rogers Communications Partnership (RCP), dated 15 October 2012, in which the company proposed changes to its Access Services Tariff items 302.1 – Feature Group D Interconnecting Circuits and 501.3 – Call Routing – Location Routing Number (LRN) Absent.¹
2. Specifically, RCP proposed to withdraw references to multi-frequency (MF) signalling² because its switching equipment will no longer be able to support this signalling technique and no telecommunications service provider has ever requested it from RCP.
3. RCP also proposed to remove references to charges for Call Routing – Location Routing Number (LRN) Absent that are applicable to MF and line-side access³ interconnecting circuits, indicating that line-side interconnection is an outdated technology and that there is no demand for it from RCP's existing customers.
4. The Commission approved RCP's application on an interim basis in Telecom Order 2012-591.
5. The Commission received no comments regarding RCP's application. The public record of this proceeding, which closed on 27 November 2012, is available on the Commission's website at www.crtc.gc.ca under "Public Proceedings" or by using the file number provided above.
6. The Commission notes that since no customers currently subscribe to these services, customer notification was not required. The Commission considers that RCP's proposal complies with the requirements set out in Telecom Decision 2008-22, in which the Commission revised its procedures for dealing with applications to destandardize and/or withdraw tariffed services.

¹ This service provides processing for calls from a telecommunications service provider (TSP) when the TSP does not transmit the LRN of the serving switch to which the call must be routed for termination.

² MF signalling is an in-band signalling technique that uses a series of tones to transmit information to establish a phone call, allowing signals to be sent over the same links as the phone call itself.

³ Line-side interconnections are generally used to connect a customer's equipment to the serving end-office switch in the telephone network, but can also be used by competitors to connect their network to the telephone company's network.

7. In light of the above, the Commission considers RCP's proposal to be reasonable. Accordingly, the Commission **approves on a final basis** RCP's application.

Secretary General

Related documents

- Telecom Order CRTC 2012-591, 24 October 2012
- *Mandatory customer contract renewal notification and requirements for service destandardization/withdrawal*, Telecom Decision CRTC 2008-22, 6 March 2008