§ 64.2109

performance. I certify that _____ (entity) has a process in place to monitor the performance of its intermediate providers.

- (2) Covered providers that file the second certification must describe the process they have in place to monitor the performance of their intermediate providers.
- (b) A covered provider that meets the requirements described in paragraph (a) of this section must comply with the data retention requirements in §64.2103 for a period that includes only the three most recent complete calendar months, so long as it continues to meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section. A covered provider that ceases to meet the requirements described in paragraph (a) of this must immediately begin retaining data for six months, as required by §64.2103.
- (c) A covered provider that meets the requirements described in paragraph (a) of this section must comply with the reporting requirements in §64.2105 for a period of one year commencing when it first filed the certification described in paragraph (a) of this section, so long as it continues to meet those paragraph (a) of this section requirements. A covered provider that ceases to meet the requirements described in paragraph (a) of this section must begin filing the reports required by §64.2105 on the next filing deadline.
- (d) Affiliated covered providers may meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section individually or in the aggregate.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 78 FR 76239, Dec. 17, 2013, §64.2107 was added. This section contains information collection and record-keeping requirements and will not become effective until approval has been given by the Office of Management and Budget.

§64.2109 Disclosure of data.

- (a) Providers subject to the reporting requirements in §64.2105 of this chapter may make requests for Commission nondisclosure of the data submitted under §0.459 of this chapter by so indicating on the report at the time that the data are submitted.
- (b) The Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau will release information to states upon request, if the

states are able to maintain the confidentiality of this information.

Subpart W—Ring Signaling Integrity

SOURCE: 78 FR 76241, Dec. 17, 2013, unless otherwise noted.

§64.2201 Ringing indication requirements.

- (a) A long-distance voice service provider shall not convey a ringing indication to the calling party until the terminating provider has signaled that the called party is being alerted to an incoming call, such as by ringing.
- (1) If the terminating provider signals that the called party is being alerted and provides an audio tone or announcement, originating providers must cease any locally generated audible tone or announcement and convey the terminating provider's tone or announcement to the calling party.
- (2) The requirements in this paragraph apply to all voice call signaling and transmission technologies and to all long-distance voice service providers, including local exchange carriers as defined in §64.4001(e), interexchange carriers as defined in §64.4001(d), providers of commercial mobile radio service as defined in §20.3 of this chapter, providers of interconnected voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) service as defined in 47 U.S.C. 153(25), and providers of non-interconnected VoIP service as defined in 47 U.S.C. 153(36) to the extent such providers offer the capability to place calls to or receive calls from the public switched telephone network.
- (b) Intermediate providers must return unaltered to providers in the call path any signaling information that indicates that the terminating provider is alerting the called party, such as by ringing.
- (1) An intermediate provider may not generate signaling information that indicates the terminating provider is alerting the called party. An intermediate provider must pass the signaling information indicating that the called party is being alerted unaltered to subsequent providers in the call path.

Federal Communications Commission

- (2) Intermediate providers must also return unaltered any audio tone or announcement provided by the terminating provider.
- (3) In this section, the term "intermediate provider" has the same meaning as in §64.1600(f).
- (4) The requirements in this section apply to all voice call signaling and transmission technologies.
- (c) The requirements in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section apply to both interstate and intrastate calls, as well as to both originating and terminating international calls while they are within the United States.

Subpart X—Subscriber List Information

SOURCE: 64 FR 53947, Oct. 5, 2000, unless otherwise noted.

§64.2301 Basis and purpose.

- (a) Basis. These rules are issued pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.
- (b) Purpose. The purpose of these rules is to implement section 222(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 222. Section 222(e) requires that "a telecommunications carrier that provides telephone exchange service shall provide subscriber list information gathered in its capacity as a provider of such service on a timely and unbundled basis, under non-discriminatory and reasonable rates, terms, and conditions, to any person upon request for the purpose of publishing directories in any format."

§ 64.2305 Definitions.

Terms used in this subpart have the following meanings:

- (a) Base file subscriber list information. A directory publisher requests base file subscriber list information when the publisher requests, as of a given date, all of a carrier's subscriber list information that the publisher wishes to include in one or more directories.
- (b) Business subscriber. Business subscriber refers to a subscriber to telephone exchange service for businesses.
- (c) Primary advertising classification. A primary advertising classification is the principal business heading under which a subscriber to telephone ex-

- change service for businesses chooses to be listed in the yellow pages, if the carrier either assigns that heading or is obligated to provide yellow pages listings as part of telephone exchange service to businesses. In other circumstances, a primary advertising classification is the classification of a subscriber to telephone exchange service as a business subscriber.
- (d) Residential subscriber. Residential subscriber refers to a subscriber to telephone exchange service that is not a business subscriber.
- (e) Subscriber list information. Subscriber list information is any information:
- (1) Identifying the listed names of subscribers of a carrier and such subscribers' telephone numbers, addresses, or primary advertising classifications (as such classifications are assigned at the time of the establishment of such listed names, numbers, addresses, or classifications; and
- (2) That the carrier or an affiliate has published, caused to be published, or accepted for publication in any directory format.
- (f) Telecommunications carrier. A telecommunications carrier is any provider of telecommunications services, except that such term does not include aggregators of telecommunications services (as defined in 47 U.S.C. 226(a)(2)).
- (g) Telephone exchange service. Telephone exchange service means:
- (1) Service within a telephone exchange, or within a connected system of telephone exchanges within the same exchange area operated to furnish to subscribers intercommunicating service of the character ordinarily furnished by a single exchange, and which is covered by the exchange service charge, or
- (B) Comparable service provided through a system of switches, transmission equipment, or other facilities (or combination thereof) by which a subscriber can originate and terminate a telecommunications service.
- (h) Updated subscriber list information. A directory publisher requests updated subscriber list information when the publisher requests changes to all or any part of a carrier's subscriber list