

Principles for Texas Communications Law

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U.S. Telecommunications Markets: Evolution of Competition—Current Environment

Services Segments	Private Networks	Private Line Intercity	Switched Voice Intercity	Dedicated Access	Switched Access	Vertical Features	Switched Voice
1. Enterprise							
2. Large Business							₩ N
3. Medium Business							
4. Small Business							
5. Residential						A	

Effectively Competitive Contestable



Switch-Based CLECs in Texas

Name of Carrier	# of Communities Served	# of Voice Switches	# of Data Switches
Allegiance Telecom, Inc.	5	5	5
AT&T Corp.	12	12	5
Focal Communications Group	3	2	
Global Crossing, Ltd.	5	3	3
Grande Communications Network, Inc.	32	30	
ICG Communications, Inc.	5	5	5
Ionex Telecommunications, Inc.	18	1	1
ITC^DeltaCom, Inc.	7	1	2
KMC Telecom, Inc.	2	2	
McLeodUSA, Inc.	10	5	1
Mpower Communications Corp.	5		
NTS Communications, Inc.	15	6	6
Owest Communications International	4	4	4
Time Warner Telecom, Inc.	4	4	1
Winstar Communications	3	3	3
Worldcom,Inc.	6	9	6
XO Communications	4	4	
Total	140	96	42

Source: CLEC Report 17th Edition, 2003.



CLEC Percentage of Access Lines by Geography December 31, 2002

	Rural	Suburban	Urban	Statewide
ILEC	88%	85%	80%	83%
CLEC	12	15	20	17

Source: Texas PUC 2003 Scope of Competition Data Responses.



SBC Texas Central Offices With Collocation (June 2003)

Total SBC Ce	566	
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Total Acces	7,901,250	
	2,941,931	
	Residential Access Lines	4,959,319
Access Line	7,099,316	
Business Access Lines		2,736,028
Percent of Total Business Lines		93%
Residential Access Lines		4,363,288
	88%	

Source: SBC Communications submission to the Progress and Freedom Foundation.



Cable Systems* in Texas Offering Broadband Internet Access

	# of Communities	# of Basic		
Name of Company	Served	Subscribers	Internet Providers	
Cable Management Association	2 (1 planned)	11,218	Parasun	
Cable One	6	99,867	CableONE.net	
Charter Communications	6	179,320	Charter Pipeline	
Classic Cable	4 (4 planned)	13,371		
Comcast Cable	10	469,668	Comcast High-Speed Internet	
Cox Communications	17	349,702	Cox Express	
En-Touch Systems Inc.	1	3,800	BroadbandNOW!	
Guadalupe Valley Communication Systems	1	4,399	WhataLoop	
Phonoscope Ltd	1	3,000		
Shaw Communications	1	14,956		
Texas Cable Partners	2 (1 planned)	101,112	Road Runner	
Time Warner	15 (3 planned)	1,619,115	AOL; Road Runner; Earth Link; Stic.Net; Rlink	
WEHCO Video	2	28,930	Cablelynx; NetworkIP	
Total	68	2,898,458		

^{*} With more than 3,000 subscribers (excluding systems not reporting subscribers).

Note: Grande Communications listed with CLECs.

Source: Warren Communications, Television and Cable Factbook 2003.



CLEC Share of Texas End-User Switched Access Lines

Period	Percentage		
Dec. 1999	4%		
June 2000	7%		
Dec. 2000	13%		
June 2001	14%		
Dec. 2001	16%		
June 2002	16%		
Dec. 2002	17%		

Source: FCC, Local Telephone Competition: Status as of December 31, 2002 (2003).

