



Basic Settlements and NECA Overview – Part 2

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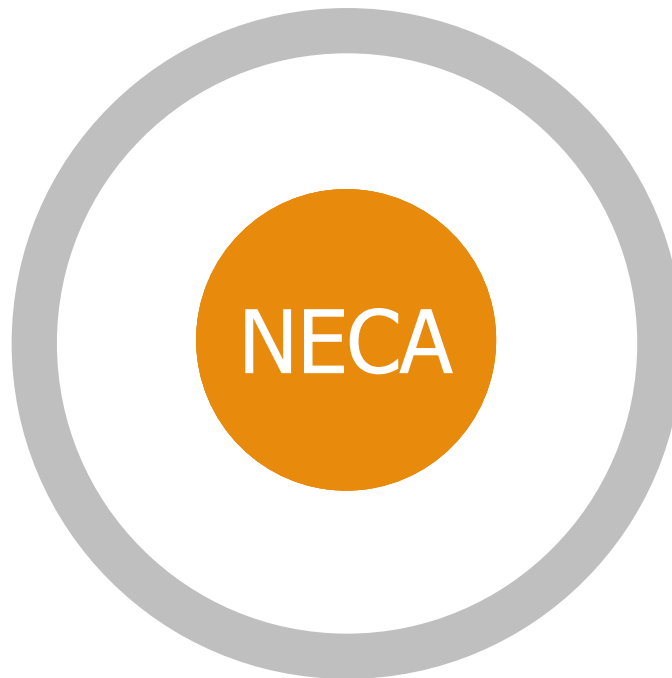
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Agenda



Concept of pooling

Our core responsibilities



Concept of pooling

Pooling

- The NECA pool is a revenue distribution mechanism designed to facilitate the recovery of costs associated with providing regulated interstate access services
- Each participating exchange carrier receives a settlement for its study area
 - Settlement is the share of total pool revenue available to cover the EC's interstate regulated revenue requirement
- Settlements are calculated monthly
 - Each month is separate from every other month and all pool funds are distributed monthly

Concept of pooling

Pool participation

- EC responsibilities
 - Bill NECA tariff rates to access customers and end users
 - Bill what is ordered
 - Bill based on tariff requirements and rates
 - Report timely data/adjustments to NECA
 - Interstate earned revenue
 - Interstate demand items
 - Interstate costs, taxes and expenses (cost companies only)



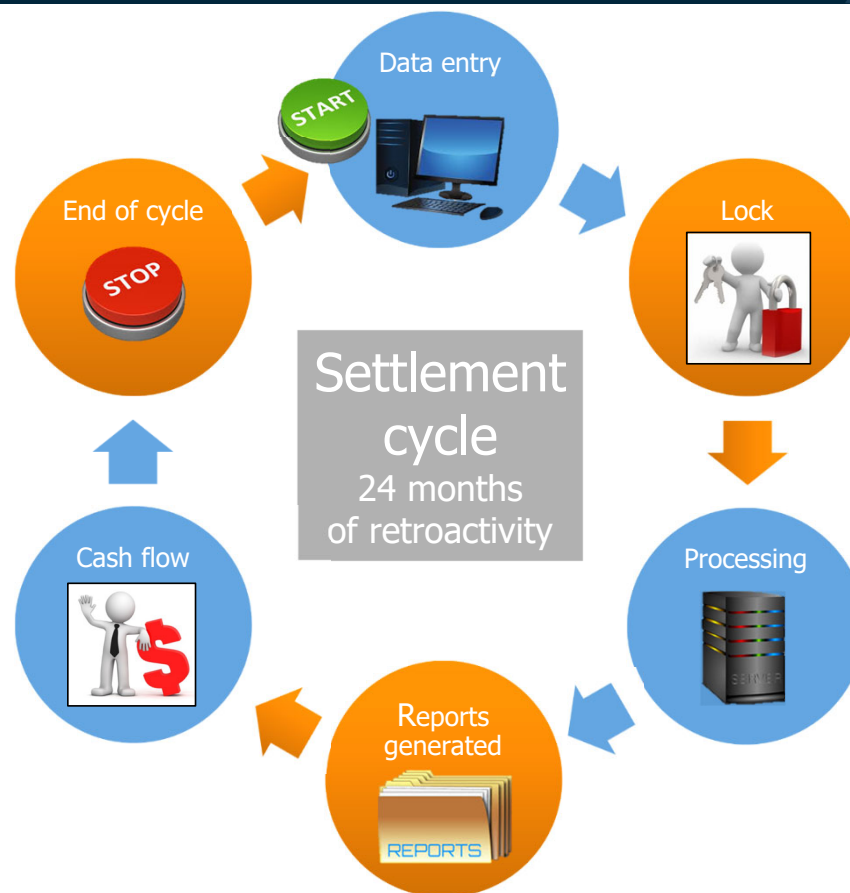
Concept of pooling

Pool participation

- Our responsibilities
 - Develop and maintain nationwide interstate tariff rates
 - Rate bands implemented to more closely match individual study area costs with assigned tariff rates
 - Calculate settlements for 25 months for every pool participant based on their interstate costs
 - Manage monthly cash flow
 - Ensure integrity of pooling data for fairness

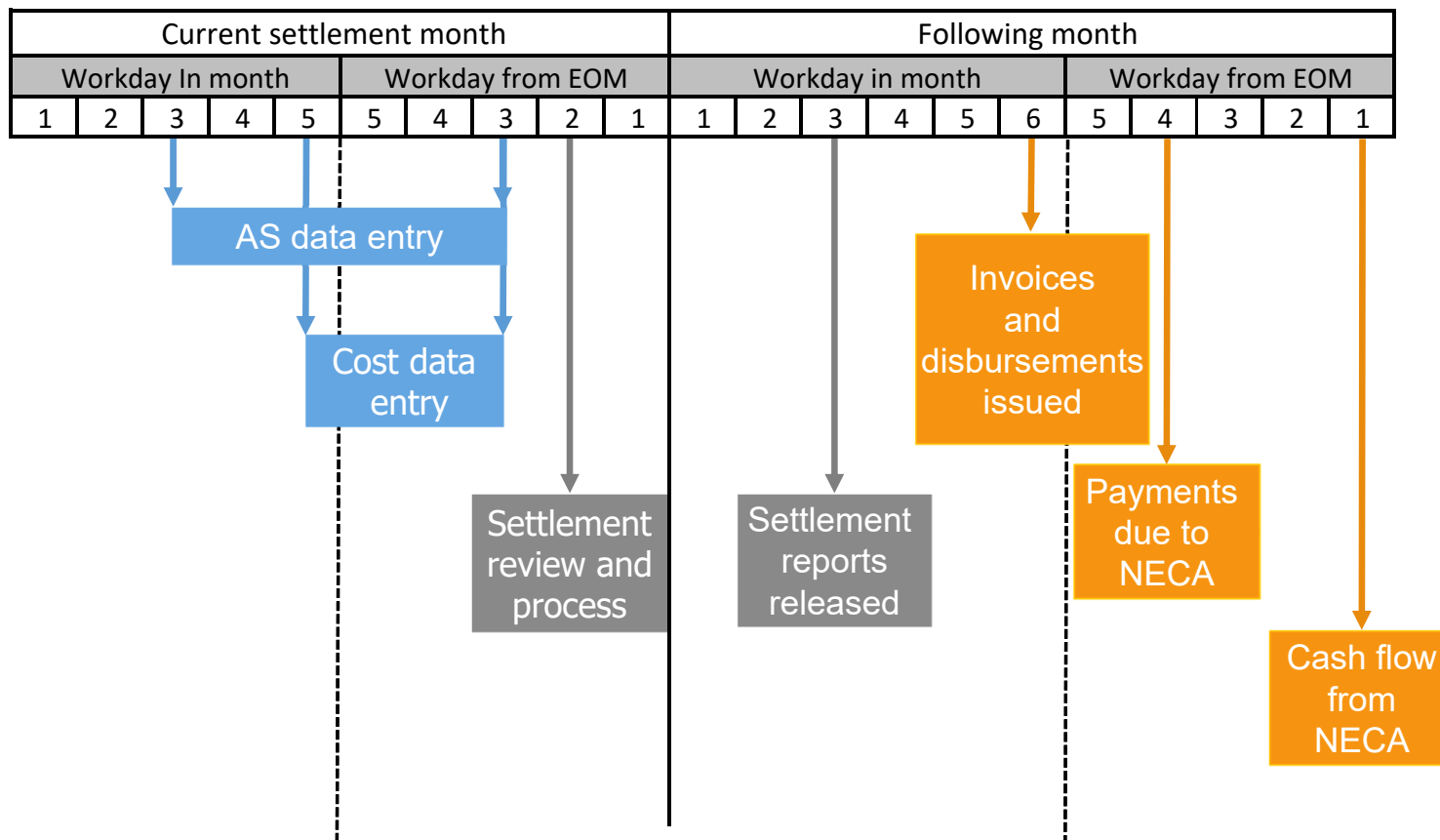
Mechanics of pool reporting

Settlement cycle



Mechanics of pool reporting

Settlement cycle



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Mechanics of pool reporting

Pooling terminology

Data entry types	Data type	When input	Requirements
Data month estimate	Whole number representing the best estimate for the month	Current month	DME requires each line value be filled with estimated revenue and demand items. If EC is reporting actual data, submitter must indicate on EC1050 or AS1000
Default model	Default data	Current month	NECA created default
Data month adjustment	Difference between previously reported data and the most recent data	Input data to any valid month within the 24-month window If DME does not reflect actual data, must true up DME demand and access revenue data within three months	DMAs are required to be submitted for demand and access revenue data. Items include: - Access lines - Interstate AMOU - Intrastate AMOU - EU revenue - TS switched revenue - ARC revenue - Intrastate terminating revenue

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Mechanics of pool reporting

Pooling terminology

- Prior period net adjustment allows exchange carriers to revise their data for the preceding 24 months
 - PPNA changes are made to reflect more current data
 - The settlement system uses PPNAs when calculating monthly pool amounts, residue ratios and changes in net balance

Mechanics of pool reporting

Pooling terminology

- Revenue

- Earned dollars billed to IC and end user

- Settlement

- EC's share of pooled revenues
 - Cost companies' settlements are based on individual cost studies while average schedule companies' settlements are based on average schedule formulas

- Net balance

- Difference between the settlement and the revenue held by the EC

$$\text{Settlement} - \text{revenues} = \text{net balance}$$

Mechanics of pool reporting

Settlement system reporting

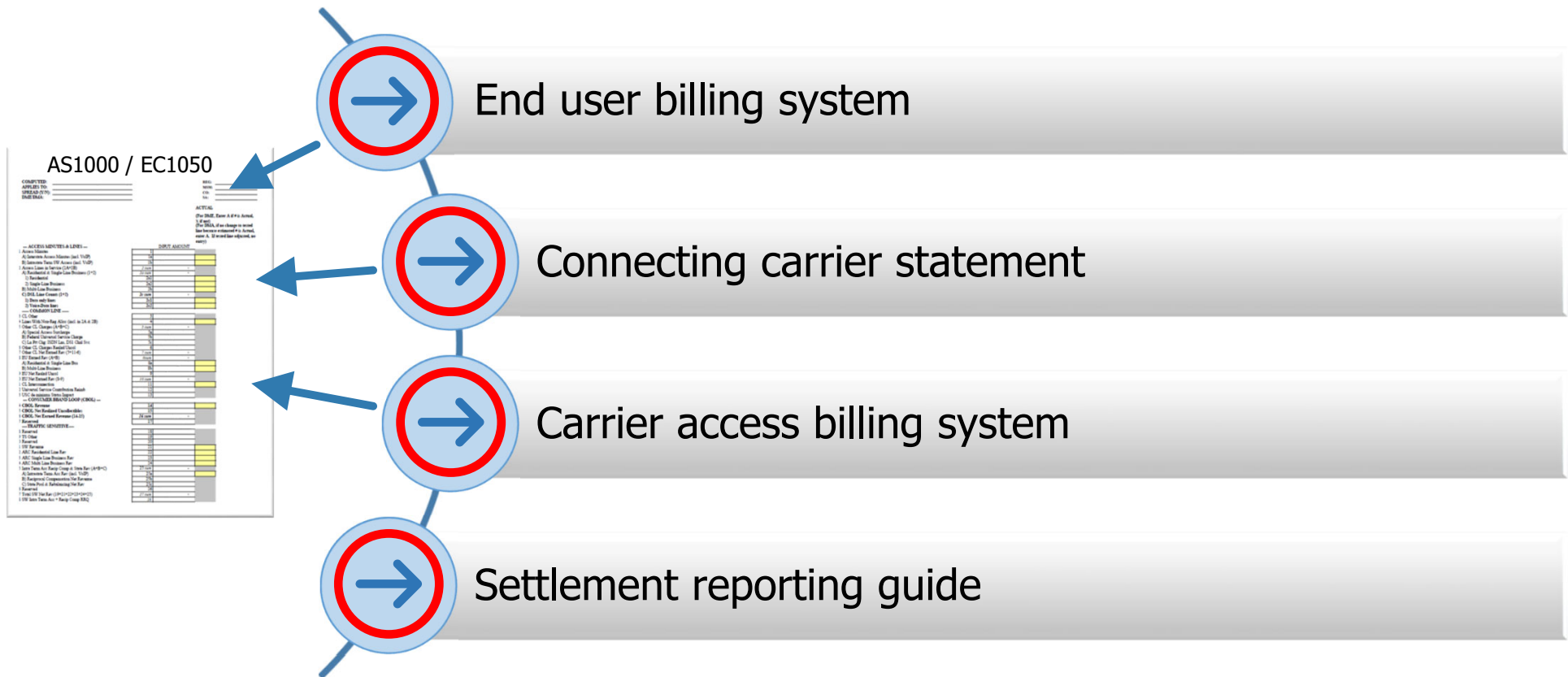
- Enter/retrieve data from NECA settlement system
 - Log in at neca.org
 - From the [My Applications](#) menu, select [Settlements, Statements and Reports](#)*
 - EC capability or authorized consultant
 - Settlement system user manual
 - Contact your NECA region office for assistance
 - EC may request online read-only access

Revenue and demand sources

Cost versus average schedule company cost recovery

- Cost companies receive pool revenue (known as settlements) for interstate telecommunication services
 - Based on actual interstate investment, expenses and taxes
- Average schedule companies receive settlements based on a series of statistical formulas filed annually
 - Based on cost companies' separations and allocation factors and average schedule sample accounts and demand
 - Develop formulas using statistical models
 - Compute monthly average schedule settlements based on demand variables and filed and approved formulas

Revenue and demand sources



Revenue and demand sources

End user billing system

- Billing system for other charges
 - Subscriber line charges
 - Access recovery charges
 - Includes residential, single line business, multiline business
 - Interstate primary interexchange carrier change charges
 - Federal universal service charges
 - Integrated services digital network line port charges
 - DS1 line port charges

Revenue and demand sources

End user billing system

- Billing system for other charges (cont.)
 - Digital subscriber line voice-data service charges
 - Consumer broadband-only lines
 - DSL data-only second mile charges
 - Special access charges not billed via CABS

Revenue and demand sources

Connecting company statement

- Dependent on billing arrangements between connecting companies
- Access revenue, UNE and minutes of use may be displayed on a connecting company statement

Connecting company statement													
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	YTD
Revenue													
Sales	\$ 50,000	\$ 52,500	\$ 55,125	\$ 57,881	\$ 60,775	\$ 63,814	\$ 67,005	\$ 70,355	\$ 73,873	\$ 77,566	\$ 81,445	\$ 85,517	\$ 795,856
Sales Returns	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sales Discounts	5,000	5,250	5,513	5,788	6,078	6,381	6,700	7,036	7,387	7,757	8,144	8,552	79,586
<Other Revenue>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Net Sales	\$ 55,000	\$ 57,750	\$ 60,638	\$ 63,669	\$ 66,853	\$ 70,195	\$ 73,705	\$ 77,391	\$ 81,260	\$ 85,323	\$ 89,589	\$ 94,069	\$ 875,442
Cost of Goods Sold	\$ 20,000	\$ 21,000	\$ 22,050	\$ 23,153	\$ 24,310	\$ 25,526	\$ 26,802	\$ 28,142	\$ 29,549	\$ 31,027	\$ 32,578	\$ 34,207	\$ 318,343
Gross Profit	\$ 35,000	\$ 36,750	\$ 38,588	\$ 40,517	\$ 42,543	\$ 44,670	\$ 46,903	\$ 49,249	\$ 51,711	\$ 54,296	\$ 57,011	\$ 59,862	\$ 557,099
Operating Expenses													
Salaries & Wages	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,875	\$ 8,269	\$ 8,682	\$ 9,116	\$ 9,572	\$ 10,051	\$ 10,553	\$ 11,081	\$ 11,635	\$ 12,217	\$ 12,828	\$ 119,378
Depreciation Expenses	500	525	551	579	608	638	670	704	739	776	814	855	7,959
Office Expenses	475	499	524	550	577	606	637	668	702	737	774	812	7,561
Rent Expense	1,500	1,575	1,654	1,736	1,823	1,914	2,010	2,111	2,216	2,327	2,443	2,566	23,876
Travel Expenses	250	263	276	289	304	319	335	352	369	388	407	428	3,979
Maintenance Expenses	100	105	110	116	122	128	134	141	148	155	163	171	1,592
Advertising Expenses	200	210	221	232	243	255	268	281	295	310	326	342	3,183
<Other Expense>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total Operating Expenses	\$ 10,525	\$ 11,051	\$ 11,604	\$ 12,184	\$ 12,793	\$ 13,433	\$ 14,105	\$ 14,810	\$ 15,550	\$ 16,328	\$ 17,144	\$ 18,001	\$ 167,528
Income From Operations	\$ 24,475	\$ 25,699	\$ 26,984	\$ 28,333	\$ 29,750	\$ 31,237	\$ 32,799	\$ 34,439	\$ 36,161	\$ 37,969	\$ 39,867	\$ 41,861	\$ 389,572
Interest Income (Expense)	(100)	(105)	(110)	(116)	(122)	(128)	(134)	(141)	(148)	(155)	(163)	(171)	(1,592)
Income Before Income Taxes	\$ 24,375	\$ 25,594	\$ 26,873	\$ 28,217	\$ 29,628	\$ 31,109	\$ 32,665	\$ 34,298	\$ 36,013	\$ 37,814	\$ 39,704	\$ 41,690	\$ 387,980
Income Tax Expense	750	788	827	868	912	957	1,005	1,055	1,108	1,164	1,222	1,283	11,938
Net Income	\$ 23,625	\$ 24,806	\$ 26,047	\$ 27,349	\$ 28,716	\$ 30,152	\$ 31,660	\$ 33,243	\$ 34,905	\$ 36,650	\$ 38,483	\$ 40,407	\$ 376,042

Source: NECA

Revenue and demand sources

Carrier access billing systems

- Mechanized system to produce billing statements for access services
 - Produced for each interexchange carrier/reseller/end user
- By type
 - Switched access section
 - Usage sensitive rate elements
 - Facility access section
 - Flat-rated dedicated services
 - Switched and special access
- Bill formatted with varied designs



Revenue and demand sources

Settlement reporting guide – average schedule company

AVERAGE SCHEDULE COMPANY	CL POOL	CBOL TARIFF	TS POOL ¹	DSL TARIFF	REPORT D/O (CBOL) LINES ²	REPORT V/D LINES ³	REPORT ACCESS LINES	REPORT 2ND MILE REVENUE ⁴
MODEL SUPPORT		✓	✓	✓	Y	Y	Y	Y
		✓	✓		N	N ³	Y	N
		✓			N	N ³	Y	N
			✓	✓	Y	Y	Y	Y
			✓		N	N ³	Y	N
BDS ELECTORS (TS SW only)			✓		N	N ³	Y	N
CL TARIFF ONLY					N	N ³	Y	N
LEGACY SUPPORT	✓	✓	✓	✓	Y	Y	Y	Y
	✓	✓	✓		Y	N ³	Y	N
	✓	✓			Y	N ³	Y	N
			✓	✓	Y	Y	Y	Y
			✓	-	N	N ³	Y	N
	✓				Y	N ³	Y	N

1 – BDS electors (model support recipients) settle on SW only

2 – All average schedule pool members **required** to report data-only lines on Line 2C1 if demand exists, regardless of CBOL or DSL participation

3 – If not in DSL tariff, do not report voice-data lines on Line 2C2; but should be counted as access lines on lines 2A and B

4 – If applicable (study area has one or more SWCs that do not have ASCP functionality)

Note: All participants must report access minutes

Source: NECA

Revenue and demand sources

Settlement reporting guide – cost company

COST COMPANY	CL POOL	CBOL TARIFF	TS POOL ¹	DSL TARIFF	REPORT D/O (CBOL) LINES	REPORT V/D LINES ³	REPORT ACCESS LINES	REPORT 2ND MILE REVENUE ²	REPORT CBOL COSTS ⁴
MODEL SUPPORT		✓	✓	✓	Y	Y	N	Y	N
		✓	✓		N	N	N	N	N
		✓			N	N	N	N	N
			✓	✓	Y	Y	N	Y	N
			✓		N	N	N	N	N
BDS ELECTORS (TS SW only)			✓		N	N	N	N	N
CL TARIFF ONLY					N	N	N	N	N
LEGACY SUPPORT	✓	✓	✓	✓	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	✓	✓	✓		Y	N ³	Y	N	Y
	✓	✓			Y	N ³	Y	N	Y
			✓	✓	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
			✓		N	N ³	Y	N	N
	✓				N	N ³	Y	N	N

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4 – Refer to CAF BLS CBOL pool treatment charts on our website for cost reporting requirements

Note: All participants must report access minutes

Source: NECA

Settlement reports

Transaction terminology

- Computed month (or settlement cycle month)
 - Calendar month to which all transactions have been input
- Applies to month
 - Month to which the data is applicable
- Views of settlement data
 - **O**riginal = first transaction
 - **L**atest = DME + DMAs
 - **P**ending = latest view + new transactions not yet settled

DME example

Computed:	2/25
Applies to:	2/25

DMA example

Computed:	2/25
Applies to:	1/25

Settlement reports

Input forms

- AS 1000 – average schedule company input form
- EC 1050 – cost company input form
- Four distinct areas
 - Identification
 - Data lines
 - Comments
 - Prepared by/certified by



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Settlement reports

Comments line

- All EC1050 and AS1000 input forms require the comment line to be populated
 - Comments need to be definitive when there is a range failure or a substantial change in demand data or revenues
 - Examples of comments stating what and why a data line increased or decreased
 - Circuit revenue decreased from \$14,000 to \$10,000 due to the disconnect of four DS1 circuits
 - Switched access minutes and revenue increased by 50,000 minutes and \$7,500 due to back-billing of minutes not obtainable for the prior month's July 1, 2024 bill date
 - ETS revenue increased by \$3,500 due to the installation of two new 100 Mbps services for cell towers in our study area

Settlement reports

Output forms: AS3000/EC3050 settlement summary

- Settlement summary provides the following information:
 - Reflects the calculations of the DME month's settlement
 - Nets the DME month's settlement with all prior months' adjustments
 - Reflects cash flow between the EC and NECA



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Settlement reports

Output forms: EC2053 – prior period net adjustment detail

- What the EC2053 report tells you
 - Change in **revenue** indicates the EC/study area submitted new revenue amounts
 - Change in **settlement** amounts
 - Recalculated residue ratio reflecting all adjustments made by all ECs and/or
 - Cost information revisions made specifically by the EC
 - Change in **net balance** is the difference between revenue held by the EC and settlement amount
- Total **net balance** amounts transferred to EC3050-0 statement in the **Net Balance Summary** section

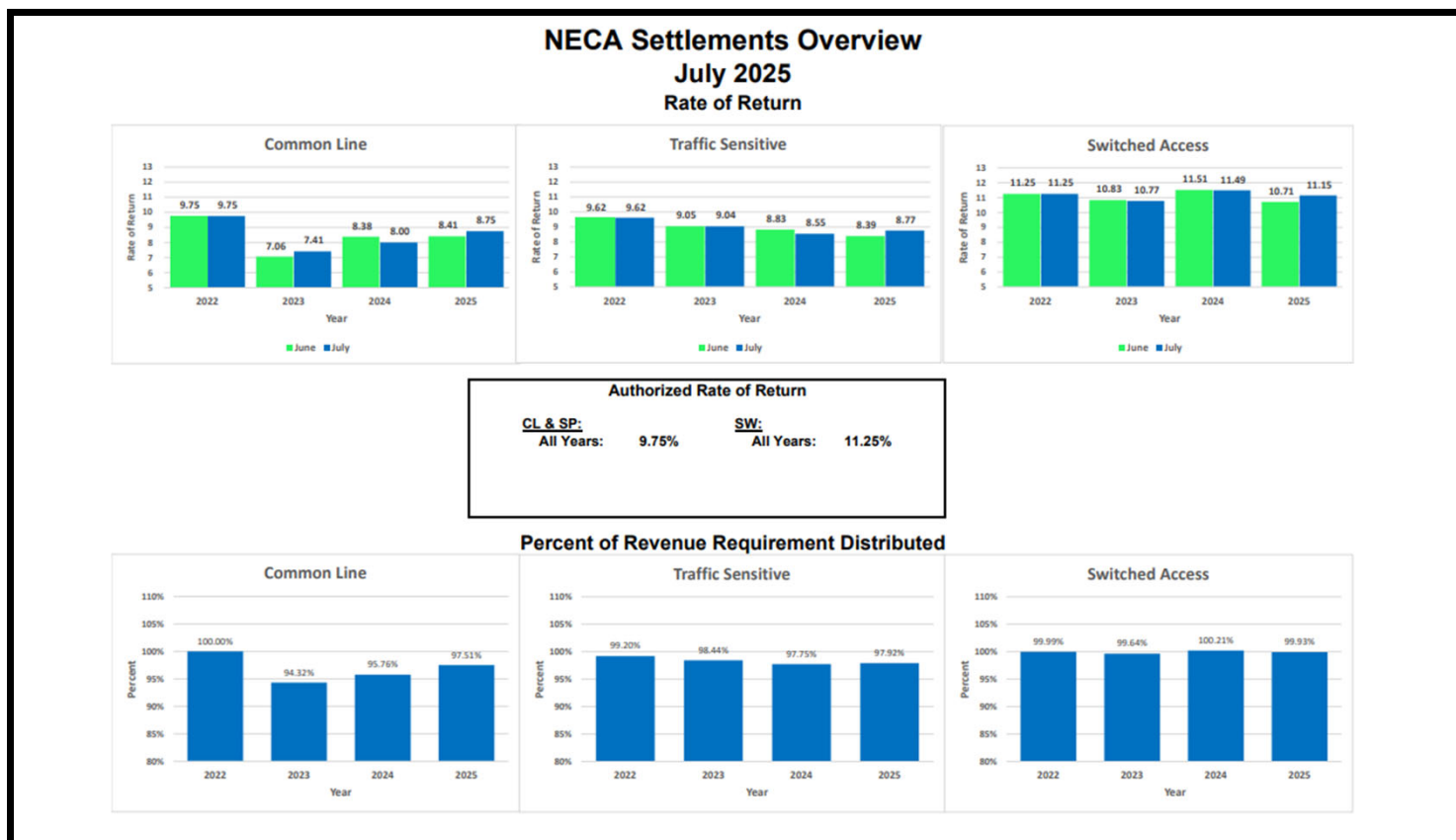
Settlement reports

Disbursement statement

- What the disbursement statement tells you
 - Current net balance calculated on the AS3000/EC3050
 - Outside of the window adjustments
 - Connect America Fund Broadband Loop Support
 - Connect America Fund Inter-carrier Compensation
- Statement or invoice

Settlement reports

FCC authorized rate of return



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Rules of pool reporting

Edit and range checks

- All data lines edit checked to ensure transaction meets prescribed standards
 - Prevents illogical inputs, e.g., access minutes must be greater than access lines
 - See Exhibit 2.1 of pool procedures
 - If transaction fails edit, data must be corrected
- After edit check, data is range checked
 - Data compared to expected range, based on past inputs
 - Transactions failing range must be special released
 - Comment required for range failures



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Rules of pool reporting

Compliance testing

- ECs are required to adjust demand and revenue line items within three months following the DME
- Companies are allowed to indicate data as **actual** (with an **A**), via the settlement system or on a paper EC1050 or AS1000
 - Reduce the number of companies erroneously identified as noncompliant
 - Help to ensure the integrity of the pools
 - Reduce the number of calls/emails ECs receive from NECA regarding compliance issues



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Rules of pool reporting

Compliance testing

- The following codes appear on the 2060 L and P reports as well as data entry screens:
 - A – actual data
 - C – compliant data
 - N – noncompliant data
 - X – not yet tested for compliance data
 - R – region reviewed

Rules of pool reporting

Compliance testing: 2060-L report

NECA SETTLEMENTS
Computed: DEC, 20XX
COST COMPANY TYPE: ANNUAL
COST STUDY MONTH END: DEC

24 MONTH LATEST VIEW
COST

EC2060-L
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DATE APPL	* (1) IA MINUTES		*RESID LN		*MULTI BUS LN		* ACC LINES IN SERVICE	SP ACC SURCHRG	FUSC	***LN PORT: ISDN & DS1
DEC, 20XX	3,600,000	X	9,045	X	1,786	X	10,831	0	8,806	244
NOV, 20XX	3,600,000	X	9,029	X	1,784	X	10,813	179	9,993	291
OCT, 20XX	3,600,000	X	9,029	X	1,784	X	10,813	179	9,993	291
SEP, 20XX	3,600,000	N	9,029	N	1,784	N	10,813	179	9,993	291
AUG, 20XX	3,674,785	C	8,970	C	1,788	N	10,758	179	9,993	291
JUL, 20XX	3,527,869	C	8,970	C	1,788	N	10,758	179	9,824	291
JUN, 20XX	3,586,721	C	8,970	C	1,788	N	10,758	166	10,712	291
MAY, 20XX	3,546,605	C	8,970	C	1,788	C	10,758	166	13,549	291
APR, 20XX	3,745,443	C	8,970	C	1,784	C	10,758	166	13,395	291
MAR, 20XX	3,345,825	C	9,029	C	1,784	C	10,813	166	12,750	291
FEB, 20XX	3,753,215	C	9,010	C	1,784	C	10,794	166	12,060	291
JAN, 20XX	3,844,899	C	8,997	C	1,784	C	10,775	166	11,858	291
DEC, 20XX	3,666,907	A	8,976	A	1,784	A	10,760	166	11,736	338
NOV, 20XX	3,768,567	A	9,092	A	1,774	A	10,866	174	11,683	289
OCT, 20XX	3,405,925	A	9,112	A	1,764	A	10,876	178	11,703	289
SEP, 20XX	3,709,103	A	9,211	C	1,758	C	10,969	179	11,650	289
AUG, 20XX	3,664,909	A	9,212	C	1,760	C	10,972	179	11,599	289
JUL, 20XX	3,556,010	A	9,214	C	1,761	C	10,975	179	11,390	289
JUN, 20XX	3,634,798	A	9,222	C	1,765	C	10,987	223	11,650	289
MAY, 20XX	3,630,814	A	9,165	C	1,760	C	10,925	223	12,196	289
APR, 20XX	3,842,450	A	9,157	C	1,760	C	10,917	205	12,031	289
MAR, 20XX	3,226,430	C	1,957	C	1,760	C	10,917	247	11,804	289
FEB, 20XX	3,731,446	C	9,149	C	1,774	C	10,923	247	11,436	289
JAN, 20XX	3,762,122	C	9,148	C	1,774	C	10,922	209	11,265	289
DEC, 20XX	3,605,933	C	9,160	C	1,776	C	10,936	231	10,153	289
HIGH	3,844,899		9,222		1,788		10,987	247	13,549	338
AVG	3,625,311		9,079		1,776		10,855	186	11,329	290
LOW	3,226,430		8,970		1,758		10,758	166	8,806	244

* = LINES TESTED FOR NON-COMPLIANCE C = COMPLIANCE N = NON-COMPLIANCE X = NOT TESTED A = ACTUAL LV LV = LATEST VIEW PV = PENDING VIEW

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Rules of pool reporting

Compliance testing

- Demand and revenue should be trued up within three months of DME
 - Access lines in service (residential, single line business and multiline business)
 - End user revenues
 - Traffic sensitive earned revenues
 - ETS revenue
 - DSL voice-data revenue
 - CBOL revenue
 - DSL data-only second mile revenue

Rules of pool reporting

Compliance testing

- **Expense** and **investment** items related to forecast and cost study amounts are tested for noncompliance
 - Cost forecast submitted in February must be pooled
 - Cost studies submitted in July must be pooled by August lock

Rules of pool reporting

Advance notification

- Contact region office if a monthly adjustment exceeds the following significance thresholds for each pool (cost companies):

EC1050 Line Items	Common Line	Switched or Special Traffic Sensitive
Revenue, Uncollectibles, Expenses and Other Taxes, Income Adj. for FIT	\$50,000	\$50,000
FIT Tax Credit	\$40,000	\$40,000
Average Net Investment	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

Source: NECA

- Failure to meet the advance notification requirements can result in NECA not processing the adjustment in the month submitted

Rules of pool reporting

Advance notification

- Contact region office if a monthly adjustment exceeds the following significance thresholds for each pool (average schedule companies)

Pool Thresholds (+ or -) per Line Item/Month	
AS1000-I Line Items	Common Line
Revenues	\$50,000
Access Lines	10,000
Universal Service Contribution Reimbursement	\$50,000
AS1000-I Line Items	Traffic Sensitive
Revenues	\$50,000
TS Other	\$50,000

Source: NECA

- Failure to meet the advance notification requirements can result in NECA not processing the adjustment in the month submitted

Rules of pool reporting

Monthly settlement certification

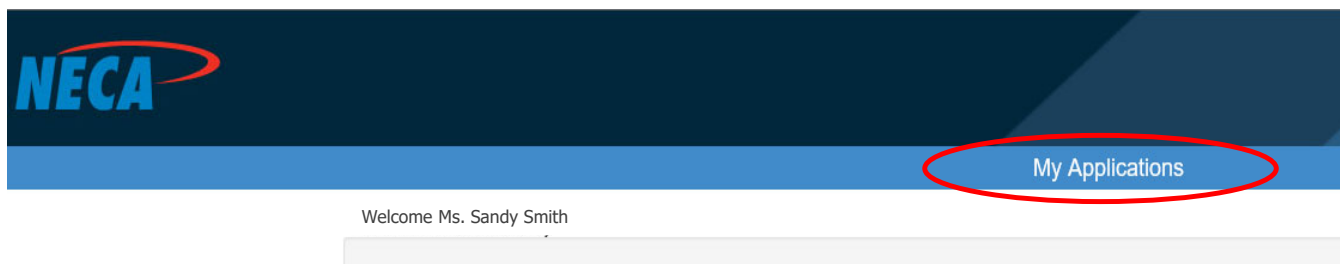
- Settlement data must be certified online
- Electronic certification by an EC officer/employee having responsibility for preparation of data
- Certification must be submitted to NECA by the 10th workday of the month following the certification month



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Rules of pool reporting

Monthly settlement certification



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Rules of pool reporting

Monthly settlement certification



Settlement Certification - Report Selection

Report Criteria:

Study Area:	123456 - SAMPLE TEL CO LLC	Exchange Carrier:	100000056 - SAMPLE TEL CO LLC
Member Service Manager:	ALL	Region:	ALL
Consultant:	ALL		
Status:	Uncertified	Settle Cycle Month:	201905 Through 201905

Format:

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Get Report

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Summary

- We file interstate tariffs and administer interstate revenue pools
- Companies' settlements recover interstate costs based on individual study area revenue requirement
- Cost companies' settlement is based on individual cost studies while average schedule companies' settlement is based on average schedule formulas and reported revenues and demand
- The pooling process consists of demand, revenue and cost reporting. A settlement is earned monthly
- Settlements are earned, not paid; net balances are paid or collected

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Acronyms

■ AMOU	Access Minutes of Use
■ ARC	Access Recovery Charge
■ AS	Average Schedule
■ ASCP	Access Service Connection Point
■ BDS	Broadband Data Services
■ CABS	Carrier Access Billing System
■ CAF BLS	Connect America Fund Broadband Loop Support
■ CAF ICC	Connect America Fund Inter-carrier Compensation
■ CBOL	Consumer Broadband-Only Loop
■ CL	Common Line
■ DMA	Data Month Adjustment
■ DME	Data Month Estimate
■ D-O	Data-only
■ DSL	Digital Subscriber Line

Acronyms

■ EC	Exchange Carrier
■ ETS	Ethernet Transport Service
■ EU	End User
■ EXP	Expenses
■ FCC	Federal Communications Commission
■ IC	Interexchange Carrier
■ ILEC	Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier
■ ISDN	Integrated Services Digital Network
■ NECA	National Exchange Carrier Association
■ PIC	Primary Interexchange Carrier
■ PPNA	Prior Period Net Adjustment
■ RoR	Rate of Return
■ RRQ	Revenue Requirement
■ SPA	Special Access

Acronyms

- SW Switched
- SWA Switched Access
- SWC Serving Wire Center
- TET Tariff Element Tracking
- TS Traffic Sensitive
- UNE Unbundled Network Element
- USAC Universal Service Administrative Company
- USF Universal Service Fund