

VOLUME 2, SECTION 2.8: SERVICE OPTIMIZATION

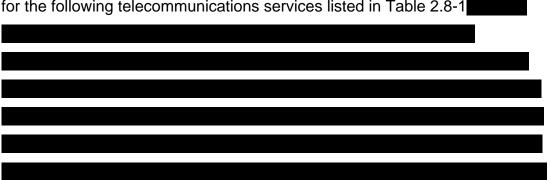


2.8 SERVICE OPTIMIZATION [C.3.4.5, M.3.13]

Level 3 will meet the Government requirements as specified in RFP Section C.3.4.5 – Service Optimization.

2.8.1 Scope

Level 3 will meet the Networx program's service optimization requirements for the following telecommunications services listed in Table 2.8-1

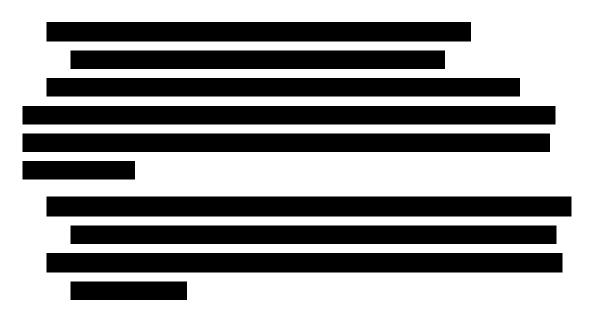


Service		Optimization Approach	
1	Internet Protocol Services (IPS)		
2	Network-Based IP VPN Service (NBIP-VPNS)		
3	Voice over Internet Protocol Transport Services (VOIPTS)		
5	Ethernet Services (EthS)		
6	Premises-Based IP VPN Services (PBIP-VPNS)		
7	Synchronous Optical Network Services (SONETS)		

Service		Optimization Approach	
9	Optical Wavelength Services (OWS)		

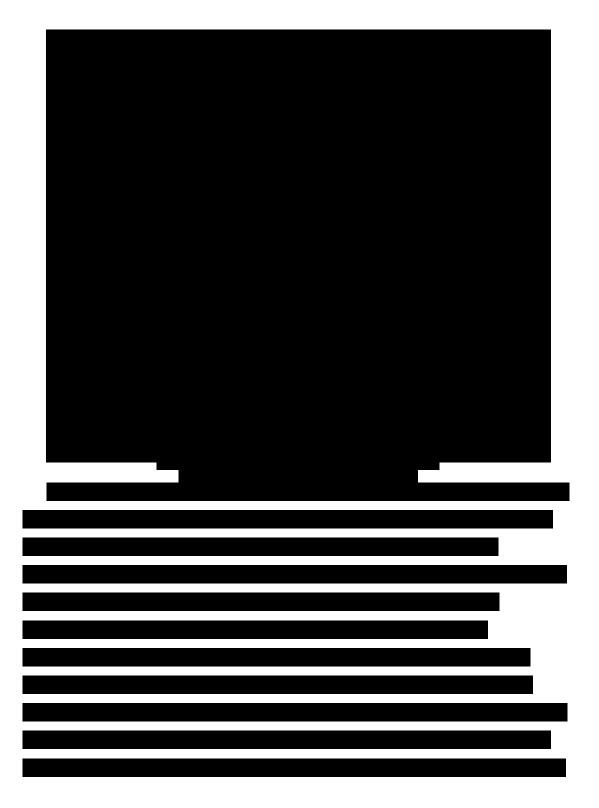
Table 2.8-1: Level 3 approach to service optimization for telecommunications service





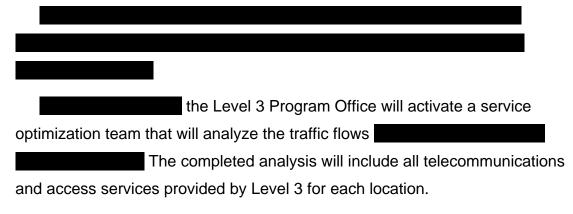
2.8.2 Tools [L.34.2.3.8]

The technical architecture to support the collection and correlation of TSs and utilization data is composed of



2.8.3 Methods [L.34.2.3.8]

Level 3 will generate and provide the Government with candidate locations reports identifying those potential candidates for optimization or consolidation. Level 3 will utilize the same optimization process for both mandatory and optional services.



As the largest Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) in the industry, Level 3 continuously optimizes a large number of contracts and customers, each with unique and different access needs. The Level 3 work directly with their customers to ensure that they are fully optimized. In order to

maintain competitiveness and cost-effectiveness, Level 3 maintains an				
group. This group is dedicated to				
continual review of telecommunication service and access circuit				
effectiveness across Level 3, and is dedicated to lowering the access				
expense of Level 3, with savings passed on to our customers via lower				
rates or reduced access bandwidth.				
The Level 3 possesses core competencies to collect and				
analyze usage data and to execute optimization programs. The dedicated				
sales team will work with the CPO and internal operations groups to collect				
and analyze the information on a location-by-location basis. The data and				
information collected by along with the methods and procedures				
utilized by , will be used in reviewing the Government's				
access needs.				
The will review usage to determine candidates for access				
consolidation for both individual agencies within a location and for				
consolidation across agencies within a location.				
Their in-depth knowledge of the agencies and the agency needs				
uniquely position them to understand the access needs of each agency and				
how best to optimize the agency services without sacrificing critical				

service features.

locations,

After performing the service optimization analysis for all the candidate

a
recommendation on consolidation to the program office.
All data items listed in Networx Enterprise RFP Section
C.3.4.5.4.1.1.4 will be provided in a report to the Government according to
the format described in Section C.3.4.5.4.1.1.3.
The various service types will be examined separately.
Once analysis of all the individual services is complete, an overview of
consolidating access across services will be performed as well.

After the analysis is completed for all services individually and collectively for the (3)Enterprise candidate locations, the results are consolidated. The consolidated optimization results for all the candidate locations will be assembled into a report that includes all the information required in C.3.4.5.4.1.1.4.