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### 2.0 Application and Fees

**2.0.1** Ameritech will provide physical collocation arrangements in Eligible Structures on a "first come, first served" basis. The Collocator requesting physical collocation is responsible for obtaining any necessary certifications or approvals from the Commission prior to Ameritech's provision of physical collocation. Ameritech will not refuse to consider an application for collocation space submitted by a Collocator while that Collocator's state certification is pending or before the Collocator and Incumbent LEC have entered into a final interconnection agreement. To apply for a physical collocation in a particular Eligible Structure, the Collocator must submit to Ameritech a completed Physical Collocation Application form and pay an initial application fee "if applicable". The Physical Application Form and instructions can be found in Appendix A of this handbook and is included in the Form Section on the Internet web site (<https://clec.sbc.com/>). Within each application, the Collocator may prioritize its preferred methods of collocating, e.g., caged, shared, cageless, as a first, second and third choice in case the first choice is not available. Multiple choices are not required. If the applicant selects more than one choice they should complete all sections of the application that apply to each type of collocation arrangement they would accept. The completed application must contain all the necessary information required by Ameritech to process the Collocators request for physical collocation including the Collocator contact information, type of request, power, space requirements, equipment requirements and other pertinent information. Ameritech reserves the right to reject applications with missing information.

**2.0.2 Central Office Build Out (COBO) Fee** Ameritech will provide a quotation of applicable charges for Central Office Build Out (COBO), with the completed space verification letter.

**2.0.3 Application Fee** The Application Fee recovers Ameritech costs incurred to develop the quotation of charges for the Collocator's request for the physical collocation arrangement. An Application Fee will apply to the Collocator's initial physical collocation request. Major revisions to the initial request for physical collocation that change floor space requirements, cable entrance facilities requirements, or DC Power Distribution will be considered a total revision and result in the reapplication of an Application Fee.

#### **2.0.4 Non-Standard Application Fee**

Ameritech shall promptly consider and analyze the submission of a Non-Standard Collocation Request (NSCR) that Ameritech receives for; (a) an ILEC Collocation method not otherwise provided hereunder at the time of such request, (b) Adjacent Collocation, (c) Non-Standard Bay Collocation, (d) an increment of space not otherwise provided hereunder at the time of such request, or (e) (e.g., power) in each case in specific Ameritech premises.

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## 2.1 Cost/Space Quotation Intervals

**2.1.1** Upon receipt of a complete and accurate Collocator's application and Application fee payment, Ameritech will begin development of the quotation. Ameritech will notify the Collocator as to whether its request for collocation space has been granted or denied due to a lack of space within ten (10) days of submission of the completed application.

**2.1.2** In responding to an application request, Ameritech shall advise the Collocator which of its preferred types of physical collocation is available and provide the quotation of the applicable COBO charges. The Collocator has thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of the quotation to accept the quotation. The quotation expires after thirty (30) calendar days. After thirty (30) calendar days, a new application and application fee are required.

**2.1.3** Price quote intervals are as follows and will run concurrent with the ten (10) day notification interval for availability of space:

<b><u>Number of Applications by One Collocator</u></b>	<b><u>Quotation Interval</u></b>
1 – 5	10 Business Days
6 – 10	15 Business Days
11-16	20 Business Days

**2.1.4** Should the Collocator submit sixteen (16) or more applications within five (5) business days, the quotation interval will be increased by five (5) business days for every five (5) additional applications or fraction thereof. Any material revision to an application will be treated as a new application and will be subject to the time intervals set forth above.

**2.1.5** A Collocator may obtain a shorter response interval for the return of price quotes than that set forth in the applicable Interconnection Agreement and/or Tariff by scheduling a meeting with Ameritech at least twenty (20) business days prior to submission of the first application to discuss, coordinate and prioritize the Collocator applications.