

# Simplifying the exchange of Digital Communications in a Converging World

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#### Arbinet manages the complexity of voice termination

- Integrated voice termination service provider
- World-leading peering community offering global registry services
  - Direct routing to 90 service providers serving 325M+ customers in 52 countries
- Quality A-Z termination using Tier One providers
  - No term commitments
  - Single consolidated invoice/payment
- Integration of private commercial and reciprocal arrangements
- Automatic number and SMS/MMS portability correction

#### **Blue Chip Customers Worldwide**

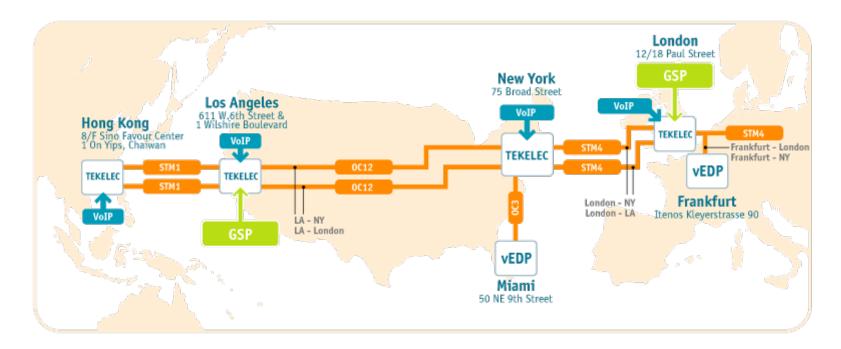






#### **Arbinet's Network Reaches Around the Globe**

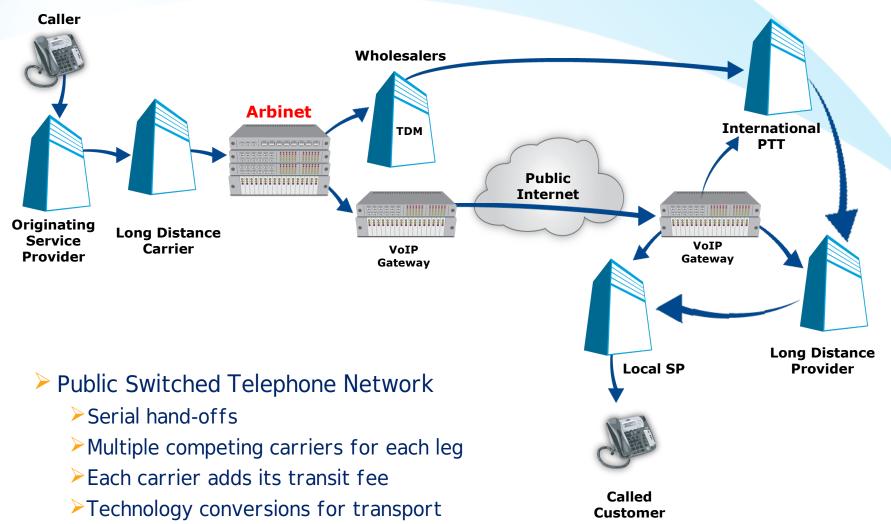
925+ Voice Service Providers connect to any site using TDM and/or VoIP
 Arbinet routes traffic between "buyer" and "seller" across its backbone







### Legacy Telephony Interconnections are Complex and Expensive







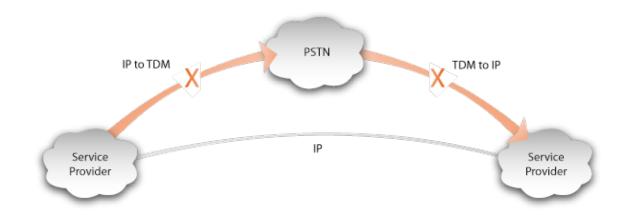
#### **VoIP Peering as an Alternative to the PSTN**

VoIP Peering – the interconnection between two service providers for the completion of a seamless session between subscribers on their networks

Enabling Solutions Providers may provide transmission, switching, database, settlement, or other services to facilitate the session

The benefits are:

Improved call quality
Lower costs
New services







#### Why is so little VoIP Peering taking place?

Few calls will route between VoIP partners

For example, if 10% of US customers are VolP end users

 $\geq$ % of US traffic that is VoIP to VoIP: 10% of 10% = 1%

It's hard work

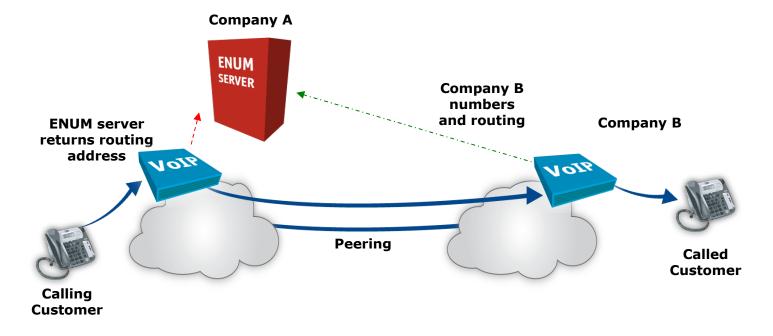
- Identify all peering partners
- Agree upon a commercial relationship
- Agree upon IP addresses to interconnect
- Agree upon private or public Internet transport
- Exchange and update numbers with all your partners
- Query all outgoing calls against an ENUM-like server
- Bill and settle for termination, when required





#### **How Does Peering Work in General Terms?**

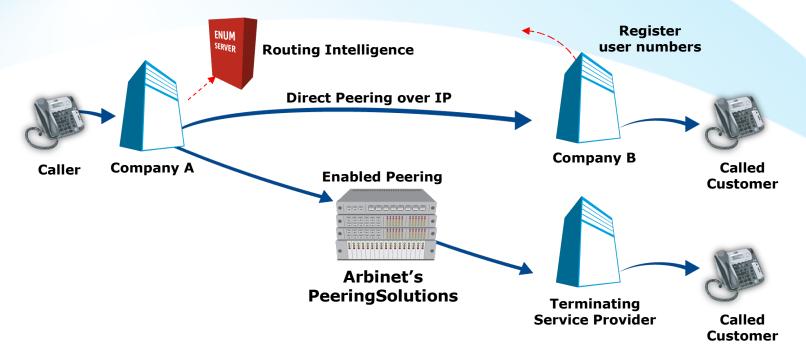
- Company B shares telephone numbers and routing information
- Company A loads information into an ENUM transaction server
- Company A outgoing calls are queried for matches to Company B numbers
- Successful matches provide the routing information
- Calls are routed for termination







#### **Revisiting Telephony Interconnections Using Peering**

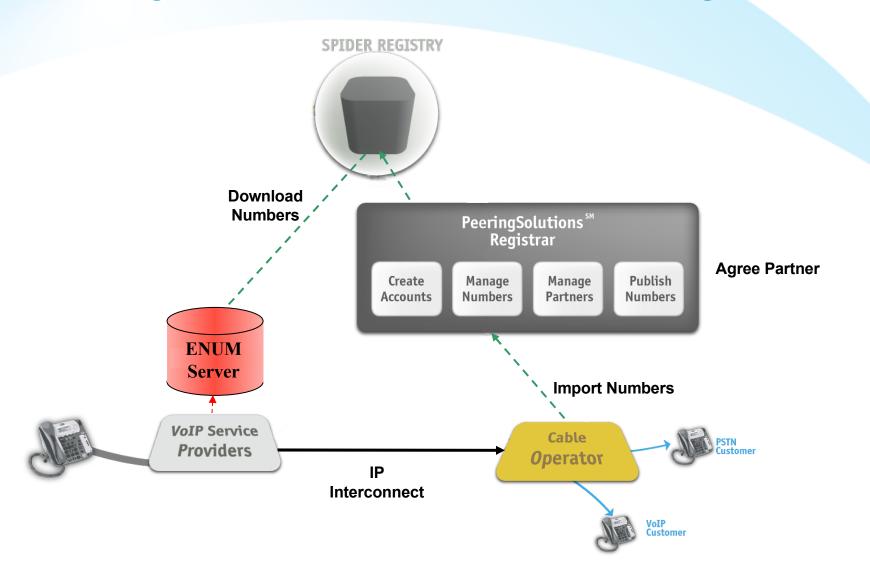


- Originating entity connects directly to its key partners
- Peering Enabler handles smaller partners and PSTN destinations
- Peering Enabler provides security, transport, settlement (as required)
- PSTN Commercial terms reduced to termination charge plus transit fee
- PeeringSolutions Arbinet's global peering community of 325M end-customers





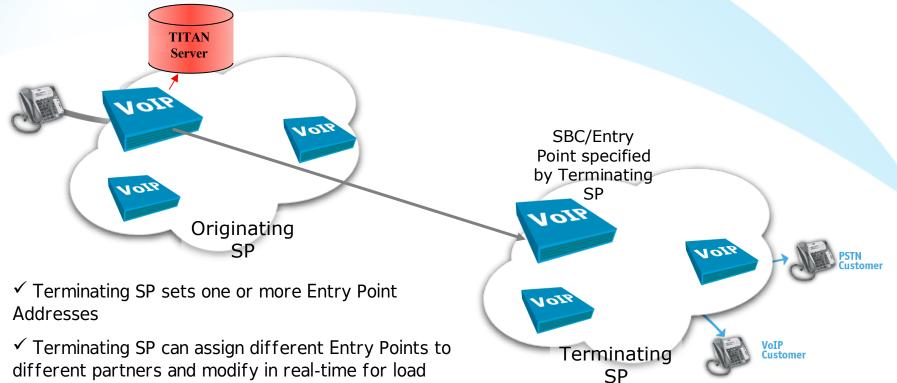
### **PeeringSolutions – Direct Bilateral Peering**







## Core requirement – route to partner SBC



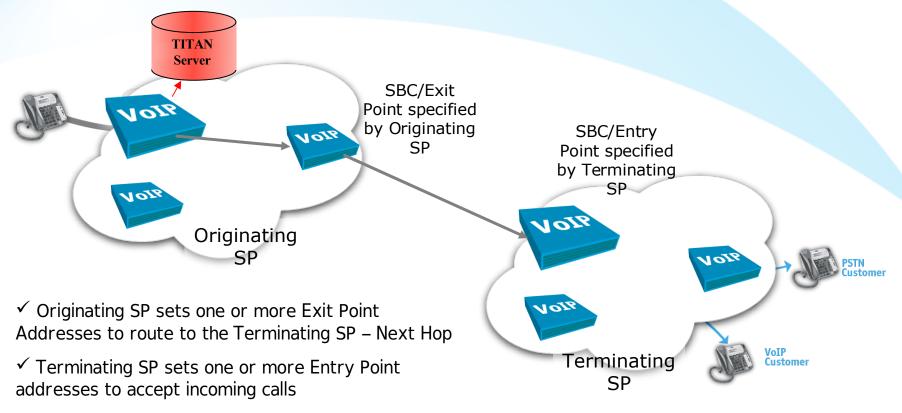
balancing/operational reasons

 $\checkmark$  Arbinet solution implements very flexible version of this requirement





# Fully controlled interconnect routing

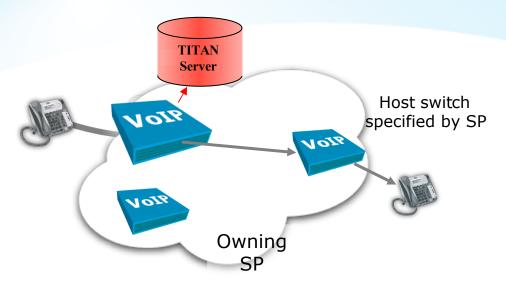


 $\checkmark$  Both Parties control the routing in their own networks and can modify, in real time, the addressing rules





## Internal Routing Management – no incremental effort



 $\checkmark$  Originating SP sets Host switch addresses for internal groupings of numbers

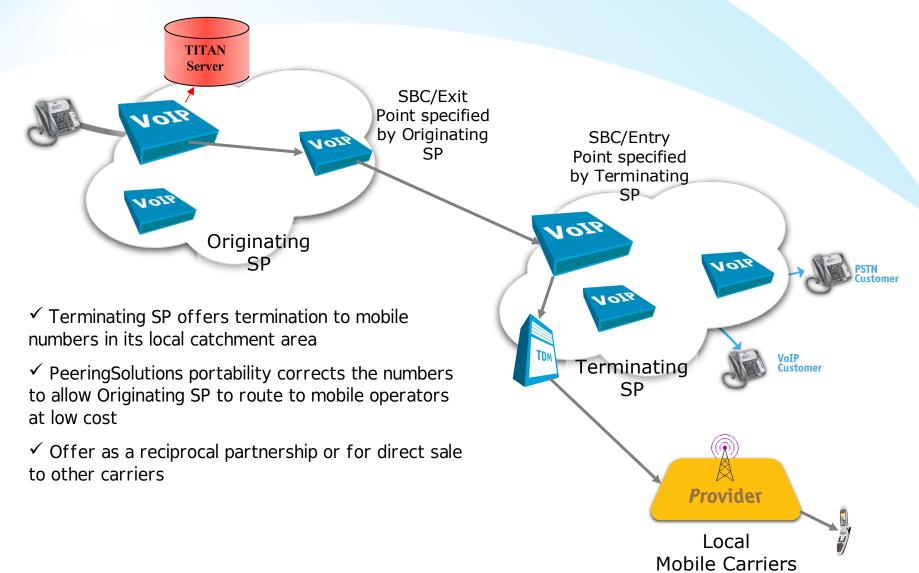
 ✓ PeeringSolutions system provides tools to consolidate internal numbering into external accounts for partners

 ✓ Originating calls kept on-net for internal calls avoiding LNP dips and PSTN charges





# Revenue and Cost savings from extended peering







## **Create Accounts**



- Private Peering Accounts used for internal network routing
   Only visible to the company that created them
- Public Peering Accounts shared with other service providers
  - Account presence is public not the information
- Receiving Account Store numbers from partner relationships
  - Downloads to a ENUM addressing server





### **Manage Numbers**



> Numbers can be entered in several ways:

- > Direct input of numbers via the user interface
  - >Individual numbers
  - >Codes defining the service provider
- >Input via a text file from the host computer
- >SOAP/XML interface
- > Codes can be portability corrected





### **Manage Partners**



> The name and contact details of all Public Accounts in SPIDER are displayed

- Service Provider Numbers are NOT shared or visible to anyone
  - Requires explicit permission from the number owner
- Call Originator requests an interconnect to a Service Provider
  - The system manages the progress of the interconnect request
- Service Provider agrees
  - Service Provider's numbers and the addressing information are downloaded
- Any subsequent changes of numbers are synchronized as they occur





## **Publish Numbers**

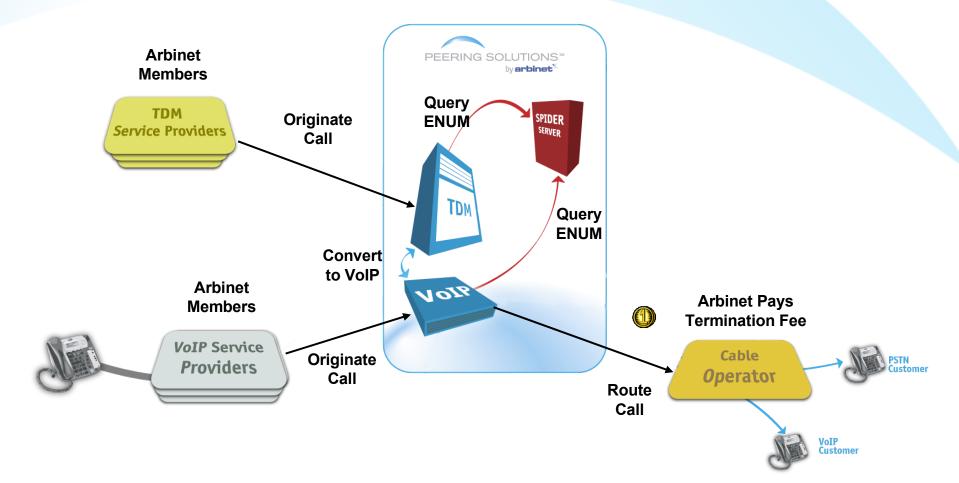


- Publish Numbers has two primary uses:
  - Combine Private accounts used for internal routing into one Public account
  - >Allow an intermediary (e.g., Arbinet) to 'publish' numbers and entry points
    - Connect to a broader range of partners via Arbinet resources
- All changes to numbers are synchronized to the 'publishing' accounts
- Service Providers can request 'peering' with a publishing account





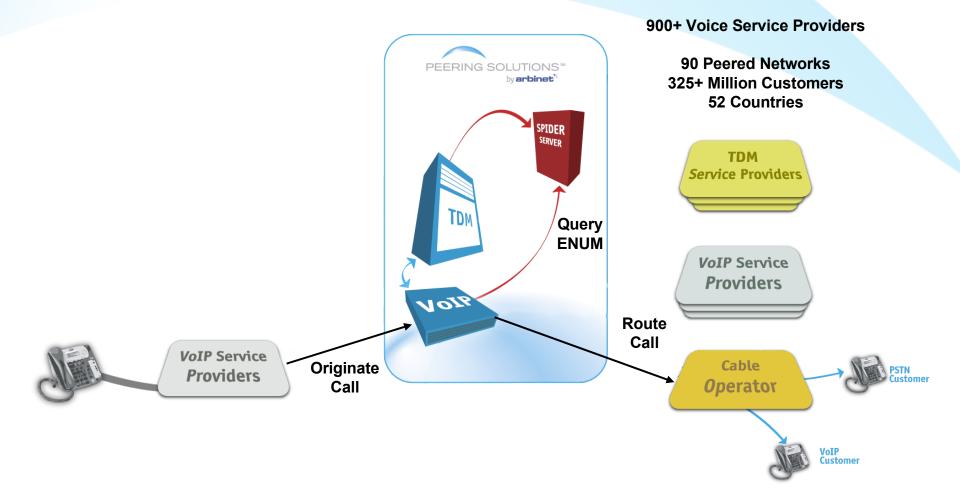
#### **Arbinet approach to Peering**







#### **Outgoing Traffic is automatically peered**







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