



CONSULTING

Transformation Services

- Benchmark Rate Evaluation & Implementation
- Strategic, Network, and Services Planning
- 5-Year FCC Service Quality Improvement Plans (The 5-Year Plan)
- Intercarrier Compensation Analysis and Forecasts
- Corporate Financial Management Support
- Regulatory Compliance Reports
- Mapping Services
- Regression Studies
- Internal Board and Staff Training Program
- Company Education & Communications Program



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TRANSFORMATION SERVICES

GVNW's Transformation Services is a comprehensive package of services specifically designed to help Eligible Telecommunications Carriers respond to the complex new service and reporting requirements of the FCC and state regulators.

Our regulatory compliance experts will work closely with your company to manage all aspects of the rapidly changing Federal and State regulatory environment including Benchmark Rate Evaluation and Implementation, the 5-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan, Mapping Services, and the many related operational changes.

Benchmark Rate Evaluation and Implementation

As part of the current transformation of USF and Intercarrier Compensation, Local Exchange Carriers must set their rates at or above FCC-ordered benchmark levels or be penalized by a substantial reduction in their USF support. Some states are also in the process of establishing their own benchmark rates with potential reductions in state support.

These benchmarks are just one small element of the exceedingly complex USF/ICC transformation, but meeting them is a crucial step for remaining compliant and avoiding penalties.

GVNW can provide detailed evaluation of the effects of benchmark rates, develop strategies to best balance rate increases against the need to minimize customer loss, and execute the specific implementation steps required.

- Analyze your current rates relative to initial and future benchmark levels.
- Calculate potential federal and state USF penalties.
- Develop rate strategies to minimize customer loss while meeting benchmark requirements, including possible repackaging of current services, changes to calling scopes, or identification of new services to increase value to customers as rates increase.
- Develop financial forecasts for benchmark effects, including interrelated effects of other changes being made by the company.
- Familiarize company staff and board members with requirements.
- Develop customer education and communication programs.
- Produce and file supporting documentation to meet state and federal regulatory requirements.
- Provide expert testimony or other required support before regulatory bodies.