SIP Proxy-to-Proxy extensions

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Motivation

- Billing headers
 - » Need to monitor and derive revenue from resource usage
 - » 'trusted information' exchange across domains
 - » Proxies have access to customer info (user identity, services subscribed, payment method)
 - » Billing models can be complex, requiring billing info from multiple parties (split-charging for call forwarding, etc.)
- user=lnp-phone
 - » Support for Local Number Portability
 - » Needs to be done at originating proxy to support current PSTN interfaces
 - » Eliminates redundant lookups downstream

New Header Requirements

◆ Billing headers

- Need a unique identifier that can be associated with the 'trusted source' of customer billing information.
- Why can't we use Call-ID?
- Need a header that can carry information that defines a billable account, record keeping system, etc.
- Need a header that identifies the location where resource usage information is captured (Gate-Location).

◆ User=Inp-phone

- 'user = phone' insufficient for identifying different phone number formats
- Need a way to indicate originating proxy has expanded the Request-URI to be the LNP format of the dialed phone number

New header definitions

◆ Billing Information:

- Billing-ID = "DCS-Billing-ID" ":" 1*unreserved
- Billing-Info= "DCS-Billing-Info" ":" hostport ["/"Key] "<"Acct-Data">"
- Gate-Location = "DCS-Gate-Location" ":" hostport "/" Gate-ID [Gate-Key]

◆ User-param:

- telephone-subscriber = global-phone-number | local-phone-number | augmented-phone-number user-param = "user=" ("ip" | "phone" | "Inp-phone")

Security Considerations

- ◆ New headers MUST NOT be sent to User Agents. Only between Proxies.
- ◆ Sensitive information (billing info) SHOULD be passed on secure links.