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ACCESS SERVICE REGULATIONS, RATES AND CHARGES

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Applying to the provision of Access Services for connection to intrastate communications facilities for customers within the operating territory of Windstream New York, Inc. in the State of New York

Access Services are provided by means of wire, fiber optics, radio or any other suitable technology or a combination thereof.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 1 Application of Tariff

- 1.1 This tariff contains regulations, rates, and charges applicable to the provision of Carrier Common Line, Switched Access, and other miscellaneous services, hereinafter referred to collectively as services. These services are provided to customers by Windstream New York, Inc., hereinafter the Telephone Company. This tariff also contains Access Ordering regulations and charges that are applicable when these services are ordered or modified by the customer.
- 1.2 The provision of such services by the Telephone Company as set forth in this tariff does not constitute a joint undertaking with the customer for the furnishing of any service.

1.3 EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS

AML - Actual Measured Loss

ANI - Automatic Number Identification

AP - Program Audio

AT&T - American Telephone and Telegraph Company

BHMC - Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity
CDP - Customer Designated Premises

CI - Channel Interface
CO - Central Office
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CPE - Customer Provided Equipment

DA - Directory Assistance

dB - decibel

dBrnC - Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting dBrnCO - Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighted 0

dc - direct current

DDD - Direct Distance Dialing
EAS - Extended Area Service
EDD - Envelope Delay Distortion
EML - Expected Measured Loss

EPL - Echo Path Loss
ERL - Echo Return Loss

ESS - Electronic Switching System

ESSX - Electronic Switching System Exchange

f - frequency

F.C.C. - Federal Communications Commission

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1.3 <u>EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS</u> (Cont'd)

HC - High Capacity

Hz - Hertz

IC - Interexchange Carrier
ICB - Individual Case Basis
ICL - Inserted Connection Loss

kbps - kilobits per second

kHz - kilohertz

LATA - Local Access and Transport Area

ma - milliamperes

Mbps - Megabits per second

mcs - microsecond MHz - Megahertz

MRC - Monthly Recurring Charge

MT - Metallic

MTS - Message Telecommunications Service(s)

MTSO - Mobile Telephone Switching Office

NPA - Numbering Plan Area NRC - Nonrecurring Charge

NXX - Three-Digit Central Office Prefix

PBX - Private Branch Exchange
POT - Point of Termination
SAC - Service Area Code
SRL - Singing Return Loss
SWC - Serving Wire Center
TG - Telegraph Grade

TLP - Transmission Level Point

TV - Television

V & H - Vertical and Horizontal

WATS - Wide Area Telecommunications Service(s)

WSO - WATS Serving Office

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1.4 <u>EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS</u>

((C)	-	To signify	changed	regulation

- (D) To signify discontinued rate or regulation
- (I) To signify increase
- (M) To signify matter relocated from one leaf to another without change
- (N) To signify new rate or regulation
- (R) To signify reduction to a rate or charge
- (S) To signify reissued matter without change
- (T) To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation
- (Z) TO signify a correction

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 2 - GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u>

2.1.1 Scope

- (A) The Telephone Company does not undertake to transmit messages under this tariff.
- (B) The Telephone Company shall be responsible only for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the services it provides.
- (C) The Telephone Company will, for maintenance purposes, test its service only to the extent necessary to detect and/or clear troubles.
- (D) Services are provided 24 hours daily, seven days per week, except as set forth in other applicable sections of this tariff.
- (E) The Telephone Company does not warrant that its facilities and services meet standards other than those set forth in this tariff.

2.1.2 <u>Limitations</u>

(A) <u>Assignment or Transfer Services</u>

The customer may assign or transfer the use of services provided under this tariff only where there is no interruption of use or relocation of the services. Such assignment or transfer may be made to:

- (1) Another customer, whether an individual, partnership, association or corporation, provided the assignee or transferee assumes all outstanding indebtedness for such services, the unexpired portion of the minimum period, and the termination liability applicable to such services, if any; or
- (2) A court-appointed receiver, trustee or other person acting pursuant to law in bankruptcy, receivership, reorganization, insolvency, liquidation or other similar proceedings, provided the assignee or transferee assumes the unexpired portion of the minimum period and the termination liability applicable to such services, if any.

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2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.2 Limitations (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Assignment or Transfer of Services</u> (Cont'd)

In all cases of assignment or transfer, the written acknowledgement of the Telephone Company is required prior to such assignment or transfer. This acknowledgement shall be made within 15 days from the receipt of notification. All regulations and conditions contained in this tariff shall apply to such assignee or transferee.

The assignment or transfer of services does not relieve or discharge the assignor or transferor from remaining jointly or severally liable with the assignee or transferee for any obligations existing at the time of the assignment or transfer.

(B) <u>Use and Restoration of Services</u>

The use and restoration of services shall be in accordance with Part 64, Subpart D, Appendix A, of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations, which specifies the priority system for such activities.

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2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.2 <u>Limitations</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Sequence of Provisioning

Subject to compliance with the rules mentioned in (B) preceding, the services offered herein will be provided to customers on a first-come, first-served basis.

The first-come, first-served sequence shall be based upon the received time and date recorded, by stamp or other notation, by the Telephone Company on customer access orders. These orders must contain all the information as required for each respective service as delineated in other sections of this tariff. Customer orders shall not be deemed to have been received until such information is provided. Should questions arise which preclude order issuance due to missing information or the need for clarification, the Telephone Company will attempt to seek such missing information or clarification on a verbal basis.

2.1.3 Liability

(A) Limits of Liability

The Telephone Company's liability, if any, for its willful misconduct is not limited by this tariff. With respect to any other claim or suit, by a customer or by any others, for damages associated with the installation, provision, termination, maintenance, repair or restoration of service, and subject to the provisions of (B) through (G) following, the Telephone Company's liability if any, shall not exceed an amount equal to the proportionate charge for the service for the period during which the service was affected. This liability for damages shall be in addition to any amounts that may otherwise be due the customer under this tariff as a Credit Allowance for a Service Interruption.

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2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.3 Liability (Cont'd)

(B) Acts or Omissions

The Telephone Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any other carrier or customer providing a portion of a service, nor shall the Telephone Company for its own act or omission hold liable any other carrier or customer providing a portion of a service.

(C) Damages to Customer Premises

The Telephone Company is not liable for damages to the customer premises resulting from the furnishing of a service, including the installation and removal of equipment and associated wiring, unless the damage is caused by the Telephone Company's negligence.

(D) Indemnification of Telephone Company

(1) By the End User

The Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the end user against any claim, loss or damage arising from the end user's use of services offered under this tariff, involving:

- (A) Claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or infringement of copyright arising from the end user's own communications;
- (B) Claims for patent infringement arising from the end user's acts combining or using the service furnished by the Telephone Company in connection with facilities or equipment furnished by the end users or customer or;
- (C) All other claims arising out of any act or omission of the end user in the course of using services provided pursuant to this tariff.

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2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.3 Liability (Cont'd)

(D) Indemnification of Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(2) By the Customer

The Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the customer against any claim, loss or damage arising from the customer's use of services offered under this tariff, involving:

- (A) Claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or infringement of copyright arising from the customer's own communications;
- (B) Claims for patent infringement arising from the customer's acts combining or using the service furnished by the Telephone Company in connection with facilities or equipment furnished by the end user or customer or;
- (C) All other claims arising out of any act or omission of the customer in the course of using services provided pursuant to this tariff.

(D) Explosive Atmospheres

The Telephone Company does not guarantee or make any warranty with respect to its services when used in an explosive atmosphere. The Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the customer from any and all claims by any person relating to such customer's use of services so provided.

(E) No License Granted

No license under patents (other than the limited license to use) is granted by the Telephone Company or shall be implied or arise by estoppel, with respect to any service offered under this tariff. The Telephone Company will defend the customer against claims of patent infringement arising solely from the use by the customer of services offered under this tariff and will indemnify such customer for any damages awarded based solely on such claims.

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2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.3 Liability (Cont'd)

(F) <u>Circumstances Beyond the Telephone Company's Control</u>

The Telephone Company's failure to provide or maintain services under this tariff shall be excused by labor difficulties, governmental orders, civil commotions, criminal actions taken against the Telephone Company, acts of God and other circumstances beyond the Telephone Company's reasonable control, subject to the Credit Allowance for a Service Interruption as set forth in 2.4.4 following.

2.1.4 Provision of Services

The Telephone Company will provide to the customer, upon reasonable notice, services offered in other applicable sections of this tariff at rates and charges specified therein. Services will be made available to the extent that such services are or can be made available with reasonable effort, and after provision has been made for the Telephone Company's telephone exchange services.

2.1.5 <u>Facility Terminations</u>

The services provided under this tariff will include any entrance cable or drop wiring and wire or intrabuilding cable to that point where provision is made for termination of the Telephone Company's outside distribution network facilities at a suitable location inside a customer-designated premises. Such wiring or cable will be installed by the Telephone Company to the Point of Termination. Moves of the Point of Termination at the customer designated premises will be as set forth in 6.4.4 following.

2.1.6 <u>Service Maintenance</u>

The services provided under this tariff shall be maintained by the Telephone Company. The customer or others may not rearrange, move, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any facilities provided by the Telephone Company, other than by connection or disconnection to any interface means used, except with the written consent of the Telephone Company.

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2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.7 Changes and Substitutions

Except as provided for equipment and systems subject to FCC Part 68 Regulations at 47 C.F.R. Section 68.110(b), the Telephone Company may, where such action is reasonably required in the operation of its business, substitute, change or rearrange any facilities used in providing service under this tariff. Such actions may include, without limitation:

- substitution of different metallic facilities,
- substitution of carrier or derived facilities for metallic facilities used to provide other than metallic facilities,
- substitution of metallic facilities for carrier or derived facilities used to provide other than metallic facilities,
- change of minimum protection criteria,
- change of operating or maintenance characteristics of facilities, or
- change of operations or procedures of the Telephone Company.

In case of any such substitution, change or rearrangement, the transmission parameters will be within the range as set forth in Section 15. following. The Telephone Company shall not be responsible if any such substitution, change or rearrangement renders any customer furnished services obsolete or requires modification or alteration thereof or otherwise affects their use or performance. If such substitution, change or rearrangement materially affects the operating characteristics of the facility, the Telephone Company will provide reasonable notification to the customer in writing. Reasonable time will be allowed for any redesign and implementation required by the change in operating characteristics. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine reasonable notification procedures.

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2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.8 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service

- (A) If a customer fails to comply with 2.1.6 preceding (Service Maintenance) or 2.3.1, 2.3.4, 2.3.6, 2.3.11(B), 2.4.1 or 2.5 following (respectively, Damages, Availability for Testing, Balance, Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements, Payment Arrangements, Connections) including any customers failure to make payments on the date and times therein specified, the Telephone Company may, on thirty (30) days written notice to the customer by Certified U.S. Mail, take the following actions:
 - refuse additional applications for service and/or refuse to complete any pending orders for service, and/or
 - discontinue the provision of service to the non-complying customer at any time thereafter.

In the case of discontinuance all applicable charges, including termination charges, shall become due.

(B) If a customer fails to comply with 2.2.2 following (Unlawful and Abusive Use), the Telephone Company may, upon written request from a customer, or another exchange carrier, terminate service to any subscriber or customer identified as having utilized service provided under this tariff in the completion of abusive or unlawful telephone calls. Service shall be terminated by the Telephone Company as provided for in its general and/or local exchange service tariffs.

In such instances when termination occurs the Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by any customer or Exchange Carrier requesting termination of service against any claim, loss or damage arising from the Telephone Company's actions in terminating such service, unless caused by the Telephone Company's negligence.

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2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.8 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service (Cont'd)

- (C) Except as provided for equipment or systems subject to the FCC Part 68 Rules in 47 C.F.R. Section 68.108, if the customer fails to comply with 2.2.1 following (Interference or Impairment), the Telephone Company will, where practicable, notify the customer that temporary discontinuance of the use of a service may be required; however, where prior notice is not practicable, the Telephone Company may temporarily discontinue service forthwith if such action is reasonable in the circumstances. In case of such temporary discontinuance, the customer will be notified promptly and afforded the opportunity to correct the condition which gave rise to the temporary discontinuance. During such period of temporary discontinuance, credit allowance for service interruptions as set forth in 2.4.4 following is not applicable.
- (D) When access service is provided by more than one Telephone Company, the companies involved in providing the joint service may individually or collectively deny service to a customer for nonpayment. Where the Telephone Company(s) affected by the nonpayment is incapable of effecting discontinuance of service without cooperation from the other joint providers of Switched Access Service, such other Telephone Company(s) will, if technically feasible, assist in denying the joint service to the customer. Service denial for such joint service will only include calls originating or terminating within, or transiting, the operating territory of the Telephone Companies initiating the service denial for nonpayment. When more than one of the joint providers must deny service to effectuate termination for nonpayment, in cases where a conflict exists in the applicable tariff provisions, the tariff regulations of the end office Telephone Company shall apply for joint service discontinuance.

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- 2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.1.8 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service (Cont'd)
 - (E) If the Telephone Company does not refuse additional applications for service and/or does not discontinue the provision of the services as specified for herein, and the customer's noncompliance continues, nothing contained herein shall preclude the Telephone Company's right to refuse additional applications for service and/or to discontinue the provision of the services to the non-complying customer without further notice.

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2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.9 Notification of Service-Affecting Activities

The Telephone Company will provide the customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities that may occur in the normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to the following:

- equipment or facilities additions,
- removals or rearrangements,
- routine preventative maintenance, and
- major switching machine change-out.

Generally, such activities are not individual customer service specific, but may affect many customer services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service activities. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine reasonable notification requirements.

2.1.10 Coordination with Respect to Network Contingencies

The Telephone Company intends to work cooperatively with the customer to develop network contingency plans in order to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications services.

2.1.11 Provision and Ownership of Telephone Numbers

The Telephone Company reserves the reasonable right to assign, designate or change telephone numbers, any other call number designations associated with Access Services, or the Telephone Company serving central office prefixes associated with such numbers, when necessary in the conduct of its business. Should it become necessary to make a change in such number(s), the Telephone Company will furnish to the customer six (6) months notice, by Certified U.S. Mail, of the effective date and an explanation of the reason(s) for such change(s).

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2.2 <u>Use</u>

2.2.1 Interference or Impairment

The characteristics and methods of operation of any circuits, facilities or equipment provided by other than the Telephone Company and associated with the facilities utilized to provide services under this tariff shall not:

- interfere with or impair service over any facilities of the Telephone Company, its affiliated companies, or its connecting and concurring carriers involved in its services,
- cause damage to their plant,
- impair the privacy of any communications carried over their facilities, or
- create hazards to the employees of any of them or the public.

2.2.2 Unlawful and Abusive Use

(A) The service provided under this tariff shall not be used for an unlawful purpose or used in an abusive manner.

Abusive use includes:

- (1) The use of the service of the Telephone Company for a call or calls, anonymous or otherwise, in a manner reasonably expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another:
- (2) The use of the service in such a manner as to interfere unreasonably with the use of the service by one or more other customers.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer

2.3.1 Damages

The customer shall reimburse the Telephone Company for damages to Telephone Company facilities utilized to provide services under this tariff caused by the negligence or willful act of the customer or resulting from the customer's improper use of the Telephone Company facilities, or due to malfunction of any facilities or equipment provided by other than the Telephone Company. Nothing in the foregoing provision shall be interpreted to hold one customer liable for another customer's actions. The Telephone Company will, upon reimbursement for damages, cooperate with the customer in prosecuting a claim against the person causing such damage and the customer shall be subrogated to the right of recovery by the Telephone Company for the damages to the extent of such payment.

2.3.2 Ownership of Facilities and Theft

Facilities utilized by the Telephone Company to provide service under the provisions of this tariff shall remain the property of the Telephone Company. Such facilities shall be returned to the Telephone Company by the customer, whenever requested, within a reasonable period. The equipment shall be returned in as good condition as reasonable wear will permit.

2.3.3 **Equipment Space and Power**

The customer shall furnish or arrange to have furnished to the Telephone Company, at no charge, equipment space and electrical power required by the Telephone Company to provide services under this tariff at the points of termination of such services. The selection of ac or dc power shall be mutually agreed to by the customer and the Telephone Company. The customer shall also make necessary arrangements in order that the Telephone Company will have access to such spaces at reasonable times for installing, testing, repairing or removing Telephone Company facilities used to provide services.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.4 Availability for Testing

Access to facilities used to provide services under this tariff shall be available to the Telephone Company at times mutually agreed upon in order to permit the Telephone Company to make tests and adjustments appropriate for maintaining the services in satisfactory operating condition. Such tests and adjustments shall be completed within a reasonable time. As set forth in 2.4.4(C)(4) following, (Credit Allowances for Service Interruptions) no credit will be allowed for any interruptions involved during such tests and adjustments.

Limitation of Use of Metallic Facilities 2.3.5

Signals applied to a metallic facility shall conform to the limitations set forth in Technical Reference Publication AS No. 1. In the case of application of dc telegraph signaling systems, the customer shall be responsible, at its expense, for the provision of current limiting devices to protect the Telephone Company facilities from excessive current due to abnormal conditions and for the provision of noise mitigation networks when required to reduce excessive noise.

2.3.6 **Balance**

All signals for transmission over the facilities used to provide services under this tariff shall be delivered by the customer balanced to ground except for ground start, duplex (DX) and McCulloch-Loop (Alarm System) type signaling and dc telegraph transmission at speeds of 75 baud or less.

Design of Customer Services 2.3.7

Subject to the provisions of 2.1.7 preceding (Changes and Substitutions), the customer shall be solely responsible, at its own expense, for the overall design of its services and for any redesigning or rearrangement of its services which may be required because of changes in facilities, operations or procedures of the Telephone Company, minimum protection criteria or operating or maintenance characteristics of the facilities.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.8 References to the Telephone Company

The customer may advise end users that certain services are provided by the Telephone Company in connection with the service the customer furnishes to end users; however, the customer shall not represent that the Telephone Company jointly participates in the customer's services.

2.3.9 Claims and Demands for Damages

- (A) With respect to claims of patent infringement made by third persons, the customer shall defend, indemnify, protect and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against all claims arising out of the combining with, or use in connection with, the services provided under this tariff, any circuit, apparatus, system or method provided by the customer.
- (B) The customer shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against any suits, claims, losses and damages, including punitive damages, attorney fees and court costs by third persons arising out of the construction, installation, operation, maintenance, or removal of the customer's circuits, facilities, or equipment connected to the Telephone Company's services provided under this tariff including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation claims, actions for infringement of copyright and/or unauthorized use of program material, libel and slander actions based on the content of communications transmitted over the customer's circuits, facilities or equipment, and proceedings to recover taxes, fines, or penalties for failure of the customer to obtain or maintain in effect any necessary certificates, permits, licenses, or other authority to acquire or operate the services provided under this tariff; provided, however, the foregoing indemnification shall not apply to suits, claims, and demands to recover damages for damage to property, death, or personal injury unless such suits, claims or demands are based on the tortious conduct of the customer, its officers, agents or employees.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.9 Claims and Demands for Damages (Cont'd)

(C) The customer shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against any suits, claims, losses or damages, including punitive damages, attorney fees and court costs by the customer or third parties arising out of any act of omission of the customer in the course of using services provided under this tariff.

2.3.10 Coordination with Respect to Network Contingencies

The customer shall, in cooperation with the Telephone Company, coordinate in planning the actions to be taken to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications services.

2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements</u>

(A) Jurisdictional Reports - Switched Access

For Switched Access Service, the Telephone Company cannot in all cases determine the jurisdictional nature of customer traffic and its related access minutes. In such cases the customer may be called upon to provide a projected estimate of its traffic, split between the interstate and intrastate jurisdictions. The following regulations govern such estimates, their reporting by the customer and cases where the Telephone Company will develop jurisdictional percentages.

(1) General

When a customer initially orders Switched Access Service, the customer shall state in its order the Percent Interstate Usage (PIU) and Percent IntraLATA Usage (PLU) on a state wide, LATA or billing account number level (at the option of the customer) on a local exchange company specific basis, separately for each of the following:

- Feature Group A (FGA)
- Feature Group B (FGB)
- Feature Group D (FGD)

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements (Cont'd)

- (A) Jurisdictional Reports - Switched Access (Cont'd)
 - (1) General (Cont'd)
 - 500 Service Access
 - 700 Service Access
 - 800/888/877 Service Access (C)
 - 900 Service Access
 - Switched Entrance Facilities
 - Direct Trunk Transport
 - Switched Transport Multiplexing Equipment
 - Carrier Identification Parameter (CIP)

The PIU factor provided for each of the foregoing facilities categories (Switched Entrance Facilities, Switched Direct Trunk Transport, Switched Transport Multiplexing Equipment and CIP) shall reflect the combination of all traffic types which traverse such facility category.

Additionally, upon employing the 700 Service Access Code over Feature Group D Switched Access Services, the customer must provide the Company the PIU for the 700 calls. A PIU of less than one-hundred percent is not allowed in those LATAs where the service is not available as an intrastate access service. The customer shall report the PIU on a statewide, LATA or billing account number level (at the option of the customer) on a local exchange company specific basis.

The customer shall furnish to the Company annually a report of the actual PIU on a statewide, LATA or billing account number level (at the option of the customer) on a local exchange company specific basis, separately for each of the services listed previously in 2.3.11 (C)(1). The customer, at its own option, may report revised PIU's more frequently if a change warrants an update before the annual period. These updates should be made to the Telephone Company on the first day of the next available guarter (January, July or October). The annual report of revised PIU's should be received

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Jurisdictional Reports - Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)

(1) General (Cont'd)

by the first of March of each year. The report should show revised interstate percentages of use representing interstate usage for the past calendar year period, for each interstate service. The revised percentage will be implemented July 1, and will serve as the interstate percentage for the next twelve months billing. If the customer does not supply the report, the Telephone Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the last report. For those cases in which a report has never been received from the customer, the Telephone Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the order for service as set forth in (2) following.

The customer shall compute the PIU using the following formula (rounded to a whole percentage).

1.0 minus Interstate factor equals Intrastate factor.

When Special Access service is provided on a Switched Access Facility. e.g., Special Access DS1 on a Switched Access DS3, the facility will be apportioned between Switched Access and Special Access. The jurisdiction of the Special Access service shall reflect the composite of the jurisdiction of the lower capacity services, if any, of which it is comprised.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements</u> (Cont'd)

(A) Jurisdictional Reports - Switched Access (Cont'd)

General (Cont'd) (1)

The PIUs described in (2) through (3) following are applied to associated usage rated elements and services, e.g., Information Surcharge, Local Switching, Tandem Switched Transport, Tandem Switching and Transport Interconnection charges. The PIUs are also used to develop the carrier charges. Separate PIUs are required for flat rated Entrance Facilities, Direct Trunked Transport and Mulitplexers.

- (a) There may be some portion of terminating minutes where it is not possible to know and therefore to send, the needed originating number information. A "floor" of 7.00 percent (%) will be set for terminating minutes lacking originating numbers for all switched access customers.
 - (1) When the percentage of terminating traffic without sufficient call detail to determine jurisdiction does not exceed the sum of the floor plus a 2.00 percent (%) grace threshold or 9.00 percent (%), the Telephone Company will apply the PIU factor, either provided by the customer or as set forth in section (C)(1).
 - (2) When the percentage is greater than 9.00 percent (%), the Telephone Company will assess rates from this tariff on all minutes exceeding the floor. For example, if 30 percent (%) of a customer's terminating minutes sent to the Telephone Company do not contain sufficient originating information to allow the Telephone Company to determine the originating location, then the Telephone Company would apply the provisions of this tariff to those minutes exceeding the floor, or 23 percent (%) in this example.

In the event that the Telephone Company applies rates to terminating calls without originating number information as provided in this tariff, customers will have the opportunity to request backup documentation of the Telephone Company's basis for such application, and further request that the Telephone Company change the application of the intrastate access rate upon a showing by the customer of why the intrastate rate should not be applied.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements (Cont'd)

- (A) <u>Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) Feature Groups A and B
 - (a) Pursuant to Federal Communications Commission Order FCC 85-145 released April 16, 1985, interstate usage is to be developed as though every call that enters a customer network at a point within the same state as that in which the called station (as designated by the called station telephone number) is situated is an intrastate communication and every call for which the point of entry is a state other than that where the called station (as designated by the called station telephone number) is situated is an interstate communication.
 - (b) When a customer orders Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service the customer shall, in its order, state the projected intrastate percentage for intrastate usage for each Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service group ordered. The term group shall be construed to mean single lines or trunks as well. If the customer adds or discontinues some but not all of the Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Services in a group, it shall provide a revised projected intrastate percentage for the overall services provided. The revised reports will serve as the basis for future billing and will be effective on the next bill date.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements</u> (Cont'd)

- (A) Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access (Cont'd)
 - (2) Feature Groups A and B (Cont'd)
 - (c) For multiline hunt group or trunk group arrangements where either the interstate or the intrastate charges are based on measured usage, the intrastate Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service(s) information reported as set forth in (a) and (b) preceding will be used to determine the charges.

For all groups the number of access minutes (either measured or assumed) for a group will be multiplied by the projected interstate percentage to develop the interstate access minutes. The number of access minutes for the group minus the developed interstate access minutes for the group will be the developed intrastate access minutes.

(3) Feature Groups C and D

When a customer orders Feature Group C or Feature Group D Switched Access Service(s) the customer may provide the projected intrastate usage for each end office in its order. The Telephone Company, where the jurisdiction can be determined from the call detail, will determine the projected intrastate percentage as follows:

For originating access minutes, the projected intrastate percentage will be developed on a monthly basis by end office where the Feature Group C or Feature Group D Switched Access Service access minutes are measured by dividing the measured intrastate originating access minutes (the access minutes where the calling number and called number are in the same state) by the total originating access minutes, when the call detail is adequate to determine the appropriate jurisdiction.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements (Cont'd)

- (A) Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access (Cont'd)
 - (3) Feature Groups C and D (Cont'd)

The Telephone Company, where the jurisdiction can not be determined from the call detail, will determine the projected interstate percentage as follows:

- When originating call details are insufficient to determine the jurisdiction for the call (e.g., 800/888/877 Access Service), the customer must supply the projected interstate percentage.
- For terminating access minutes, the customer may supply the interstate percentage or the customer may allow the originating access minute percentage as listed above to be used to develop the projected interstate percentage for such terminating access minutes. Customers choosing not to supply a PIU for terminating Feature Group C or D Switched Access service may continue to allow the Company to develop this PIU based upon the percentage for originating access minutes. This percentage shall be used by the Company as the interstate percentage for such call detail.
- For Switched Entrance Facilities, Switched Direct Trunk Transport, Switched Transport Multiplexing and CIP, the customer may allow the originating access minute percentage as listed above to be used to develop the projected interstate percentage for such dedicated switched transport service.
- When a customer employs the use of 700 or 900 Service Access Codes over Feature Group D Switched Access, the customer must provide the Company with the projected percentage of interstate use for the 700 or 900 calls made. The remaining percentage will be assumed intrastate percentage.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements (Cont'd)

(B) Billing Disputes Involving Jurisdictional Reports - Switched Access

For Switched Access, if a billing dispute arises concerning the projected intrastate percentage, the Telephone Company will ask the customer to provide the data the customer uses to determine the projected intrastate percentage. The Telephone Company will not request such data more than once a year. The customer shall supply the data within thirty (30) days of the Telephone Company request. The customer shall keep, for a minimum of 12 months, records of call detail from which the percentages of intrastate and intraLATA use can be ascertained and upon request of the Telephone Company make the records available for inspection as reasonably necessary for purposes of verification of the percentages. At a minimum for annual PIU revisions, the information used by the Customer to support the revised PIU must reflect usage (either actual or a representative sample) for each guarter of the prior calendar year. No change will be made to existing PIU's until the detail has been provided to warrant such change. If the Customer refuses to provide supporting information, a default PIU of 50% will be used.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.12 <u>Determination of Intrastate Charges for Mixed</u> <u>Interstate and Intrastate Switched Access Service</u>

When mixed interstate and intrastate Switched Access Service is provided, all charges (i.e., nonrecurring, monthly and/or usage) including optional features charges, will be prorated between interstate and intrastate. The percentage determined as set forth in 2.3.11(C) preceding will serve as the basis for prorating the charges unless the Telephone Company is billing according to actuals by jurisdiction. The percentage of an Access Service to be charged as intrastate is applied in the following manner:

(A) Monthly and Nonrecurring Charges

For monthly and nonrecurring chargeable rate elements, multiply the percent intrastate use times the quantity of chargeable elements times the stated tariff rate.

(B) <u>Usage Sensitive Charges</u>

For usage sensitive (i.e., access minutes and calls) chargeable rate elements, multiply the percent intrastate use times actual use (i.e., measured or Telephone Company assumed average use) times the stated tariff rate.

The intrastate percentage may change as revised usage reports are submitted as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.13 Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic

(A) Scope

- (1) VoIP-PSTN traffic is defined as traffic exchanged over the public switched telephone network ("PSTN") facilities that originates and/or terminates in Internet protocol ("IP") format. This section governs the identification of toll VoIP-PSTN ("toll VoIP") traffic that in the absence of an interconnection agreement will be subject to interstate switched access rates in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 11-161 (Nov. 18, 2011) ("FCC Order") as it may hereinafter be amended or clarified. Specifically, this section establishes the method of distinguishing toll VoIP traffic from the customer's total intrastate access traffic, so that toll VoIP traffic will be billed in accordance with the FCC Order.
- (2) This section will be applied to the billing of switched access charges to a customer that is a local exchange carrier only to the extent that the customer has also implemented billing of interstate access charges for VoIP-PSTN Traffic in accordance with the FCC Order.
- (B) Rating of toll VoIP-PSTN traffic

The Telephone Company will bill toll VoIP-PSTN traffic which it identifies in accordance with this tariff section at rates equal to the Telephone Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates.

(C) Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor

> The Telephone Company will determine the number of toll VoIP traffic minutes of use ("MOU") to which it will apply its interstate rates under subsection (B), above, by applying an originating Percent VoIP Usage ("OPVU") factor to the total intrastate access MOU originated by a Telephone Company end user and delivered to the customer and by applying a terminating PVU ("TPVU") factor to the total intrastate access MOU terminated by a customer to the Telephone Company's end user. The OPVU and TPVU will be derived and applied as follows:

> (1) Telephone Company's total originated intrastate access MOU delivered to the customer in the State. The FCC is considering a request for clarification concerning whether or not interstate switched access rates apply to intrastate PSTN-VoIP traffic for purposes of billing originating access. If the FCC determines that interstate rates apply to this traffic. carriers that have paid intrastate rates for this traffic will be credited for the lower interstate rates retroactive to the effective date of the FCC Order, January 1, 2012.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

- 2.3.13 Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)
 - (C) Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor (Cont'd)
 - (2) The customer will calculate and furnish to the Telephone Company a TPVU factor, along with supporting documentation, representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total terminating intrastate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Telephone Company in the State that is sent to the Telephone Company and originated in IP format.
 - (3) The TPVU and supporting documentation shall be based on information that is verifiable by the Telephone Company including but not limited to the number of the customer's retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g., as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail, or other relevant and verifiable information. The customer shall not modify its reported PIU factor to account for VoIP-PSTN traffic.
 - (4) After the Telephone Company verifies the TPVU provided by the customer the Telephone Company will apply the TPVU factor to the associated terminating intrastate access MOU as indicated in Sections (D) and/or (E) below.

In the event that the Telephone Company can not verify the customer's TPVU, the Telephone Company will request additional information to support the TPVU, during this time no changes will be made to the existing TPVU. The customer shall supply the requested additional information within 30 days of the Telephone Company's request; no changes will be made to the existing TPVU prior to requested information being provided. Once the additional requested information is received from the customer the Telephone Company will review the information within 30 days. If after review of the additional information, the customer and Telephone Company establish a revised and mutually agreed upon TPVU factor, the Telephone Company will begin using the new factor with the next bill period.

If the dispute is unresolved the customer may request that verification audits be conducted by an independent auditor, at customer's sole expense. During the audit, the most recent undisputed TPVU factor will be used by the Telephone Company.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.13 Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)

(D) Initial OPVU and TPVU Factor

In calculating the initial OPVU and TPVU factor(s), the Telephone Company will take the factor(s) provided by the customer and/or developed by the Telephone Company into account retroactively to January 1, 2012, provided that the factor(s) and supporting documentation are provided as specified in subsection (C) above to the Telephone Company no later than 15 days after the effective date of this tariff. If the customer does not furnish the Telephone Company with a TPVU factor pursuant to the preceding subsection (C), the initial factor will be zero.

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(E) OPVU and TPVU Factor Updates

The customer may update the TPVU factor and request the Telephone Company update the OPVU factor semi-annually using the method set forth in subsection (C), above. If the customer chooses to submit such updates and requests, it shall forward to the Telephone Company, no later than 15 days after the first day of January and/or July of each year, a revised TPVU factor and supporting documentation based on data for the prior three months, ending the last day of December and/or June, respectively. Once verified by the Telephone Company the revised TPVU factor along with the revised Telephone Company developed OPVU will apply prospectively and serve as the basis for billing until superseded by a new verified factor.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits

(A) Deposits

The Telephone Company will only require a customer which has a proven history of late payments to the Telephone Company or does not have established credit, to make a deposit prior to or at any time after the provision of a service to the customer. No such deposit will be required of a customer which is a successor of a company which has established credit and has no history of late payments to the Telephone Company. Such deposit will not exceed the actual or estimated rates and charges for the service for a two month period. The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the customer from complying with the Telephone Company's regulations as to the prompt payment of bills. At such time as the provision of the service to the customer is terminated, the amount of the deposit will be credited to the customer's account and any credit balance which may remain will be refunded.

Such a deposit will be refunded or credited to the account when the customer has established credit or, in any event, after the customer has established a one-year prompt payment record at any time prior to the termination of the provision of the service to the customer. In case of a cash deposit, for the period the deposit is held by the Telephone Company, the customer will receive interest at a rate as prescribed from time to time by the Public Service Commission.

The rate will be computed as simple interest for the number of days from the date the customer deposit is received by the Telephone Company to and including the date such deposit is credited to the customer's account or the date the deposit is refunded by the Telephone Company. Should a deposit be credited to the customer's account, as indicated above, no interest will accrue on the deposit from the date such deposit is credited to the customer's account.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd) 2.4.1

(B) **Bill Dates**

The Telephone Company shall bill on a current basis all charges incurred by and credits due to the customer under this tariff attributable to services established or discontinued during the preceding billing period. In addition, the Telephone Company shall bill in advance charges for all services to be provided during the ensuing billing period except for charges associated with service usage and for the Federal Government which will be billed in arrears. The bill day (i.e., the billing date of a bill for a customer for Access Service under this tariff), the period of service each bill covers and the payment date will be as follows:

(1) Switched Access Service

For Switched Access Service, the Telephone Company will establish a bill day each month for each customer account or advise the customer in writing of an alternate billing schedule. Alternate billing schedules shall not be established on less than 60 days notice or initiated by the Telephone Company more than twice in any consecutive 12 month period.

The bill will cover nonusage sensitive service charges for the ensuing billing period for which the bill is rendered, any known unbilled nonusage sensitive charges for prior periods and unbilled usage charges for the period after the last bill day through the current bill day. Any known unbilled usage charges for prior periods and any known unbilled adjustments will be applied to this bill. Payment for such bills is due in immediately available funds by the payment date, as set forth in (C) following. If payment is not received by the payment date, a late payment penalty will apply as set forth in (C) following.

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- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)
 - (C) Payment Dates and Late Payment Penalties
 - (1) All bills dated as set forth in (B)(1) preceding for Switched Access Service provided to the customer by the Telephone Company are due 31 days (payment date) after the bill day or by the next bill date (i.e., same date in the following month as the bill date), whichever is the shorter interval, except as provided herein, and are payable in immediately available funds. If the customer does not receive a bill at least 20 days prior to the 31 day payment due date, then the bill shall be considered delayed. When the bill has been delayed, upon request of the customer the due date will be extended by the number of days the bill was delayed. Such request of the customer must be accompanied with proof of late bill receipt.

If such payment date would cause payment to be due on a Saturday, Sunday or Legal Holiday, payment for such bills will be due from the customer as follows:

- If the payment date falls on a Sunday or on a Legal Holiday which is observed on a Monday, the payment date shall be the first non-Holiday day following such Sunday or Legal Holiday.
- If the payment date falls on a Saturday or on a Legal Holiday which is observed on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, the payment date shall be the last non-Holiday day preceding such Saturday or Legal Holiday.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(C) Payment Dates and Late Payment Penalties (Cont'd)

(2) Further, if no payment is received by the payment date or if a payment or any portion of a payment is received by the Telephone Company after the payment date as set forth in (1) preceding, or if a payment or any portion of a payment is received by the Telephone Company in funds which are not immediately available to the Telephone Company, then a late payment penalty shall be due to the Telephone Company. The late payment penalty shall be the payment or the portion of the payment not received by the payment date times a late factor. The late factor shall be: .000292 per day, compounded daily for the number of days from the payment date to and including the date that the customer actually makes the payment to the Telephone Company.

(D) <u>Valid Billing Dispute</u>

A valid billing dispute consists of written documentation specifically listing the total dollar amount of the dispute, specific rate elements being disputed and their dollar amounts. The dispute must be received in writing within 30 days after the due date of the bill. At least one of the seven following reasons must be given for the dispute to be considered valid.

- 1. Incorrect rate
- 2. Error in quantity (i.e., minutes or quantity of circuits incorrect.)
- 3. Service no longer exists.
- 4. Invalid factors
- 5. Incorrect customer being billed.
- 6. Invalid Purchase Order Number (PON)
- 7. Backbilling

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(D) <u>Valid Billing Disputes</u> (Cont'd)

Refusal to pay an entire bill or any portion thereof without written supporting documentation, will not be considered a valid dispute and will be handled as a non payment in accordance with Section 2.4.1(C) above.

(E) <u>Billing Disputes in Favor of the Telephone Company</u>

Late payment charges will apply to amounts withheld pending settlement of the dispute. Late payment charges are calculated as set forth in (C)(2) preceding except that when the customer disputes the bill on or before the payment date and pays the undisputed amount on or before the payment date, the penalty interest period shall not begin until 10 days following the payment date.

(F) <u>Billing Disputes Resolved in Favor of the Customer</u>

If the customer pays the total billed amount and disputes all or part of the amount, the Telephone Company will refund any overpayment. In addition, the Telephone Company will pay to the customer penalty interest on the overpayment. When a claim is filed within 90 days of the due date, the penalty interest period shall begin on the payment date. When a claim is filed more than 90 days after the due date, the penalty interest period shall begin from the date of the claim or the date of overpayment, whichever is later.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(F) Billing Disputes Resolved in Favor of the Customer(Cont'd)

The penalty interest period shall end on the date that the Telephone Company actually refunds the overpayment to the customer. The penalty interest rate shall be: .000292 per day, compounded daily for the number of days from the first date to and including the last date of the period involved.

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(G) Rounding of Charges

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When a rate as set forth in this tariff is shown to more than two decimal places, the charges will be determined using the rate shown. The resulting amount will then be rounded to the nearest penny (i.e., rounded to two decimal places).

(H) Retroactivity for Overbilling/Underbilling of Charges and Payments

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All actions by any carrier or the company for recovery of charges and/or payments must be initiated within two years from the time the cause of action occurs. Such actions are governed by the provisions of Section 415 of the Communications Act of 1934.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.2 Minimum Periods

The minimum period for which services are provided and for which rates and charges are applicable is one month except for those services set forth in Section 6. (Switched Access Service), or as otherwise specified.

The minimum period for which service is provided and for which rates and charges are applicable for a Specialized Service or Arrangement provided on an individual case basis as set forth in Section 12, following, is one month unless a different minimum period is established with the individual case filing.

When a service is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable, whether the service is used or not, as follows:

- (A) When a service with a one month minimum period is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, a one month charge will apply at the rate level in effect at the time service is discontinued.
- (B) When a service with a minimum period greater than one month is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, the applicable charge will be the lesser of (1) the Telephone Company's total nonrecoverable costs less the net salvage value for the discontinued service or (2) the total monthly charges, at the rate level in effect at the time service is discontinued, for the remainder of the minimum period.

2.4.3 Cancellation of an Order for Service

Provisions for the cancellation of an order for service are set forth in other applicable sections of this tariff.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u>

(A) General

A service is interrupted when it becomes unusable to the customer because of a failure of a facility component used to furnish service under this tariff or in the event that the protective controls applied by the Telephone Company result in the complete loss of service by the customer as set forth in 6.2.1 following. An interruption period starts when an inoperative service is reported to the Telephone Company, and ends when the service is operative.

(B) When a Credit Allowance Applies

In case of an interruption to any service, allowance for the period of interruption, if not due to the negligence of the customer, shall be provided.

Service interruptions for Specialized Service or Arrangements provided under Section 12. following shall be administered in the same manner as those set forth in this section (2.4.4) unless other regulations are specified with the individual case filing.

1. Switched Access Service

For switched access service, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 24 hours. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 24 hours or more at the rate of 1/30 of any applicable monthly rate or assumed minutes of use charge for each period of 24 hours or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

(2) Credit Allowances Cannot Exceed Monthly Rate

The credit allowance(s) for an interruption or for a series of interruptions shall not exceed any monthly rate for the service interrupted in any one monthly billing period.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

(C) When a Credit Allowance Does Not Apply

No credit allowance will be made for:

- (1) Interruptions caused by the negligence of the customer.
- (2) Interruptions of a service due to the failure of equipment or systems provided by the customer or others.
- (3) Interruptions of a service during any period in which the Telephone Company is not afforded access to the premises where the service is terminated.
- (4) Interruptions of a service when the customer has released that service to the Telephone Company for maintenance purposes, to make rearrangements, or for the implementation of an order for a change in the service during the time that was negotiated with the customer prior to the release of that service. Thereafter, a credit allowance as set forth in (B) preceding applies.
- (5) Interruptions of a service which continue because of the failure of the customer to authorize replacement of any element of special construction, as set forth in Section 16, Special Construction, of this tariff. The period for which no credit allowance is made begins on the seventh day after the customer receives the Telephone Company's written notification of the need for such replacement and ends on the day after receipt by the Telephone Company of the customer's written authorization for such replacement.
- (6) Periods when the customer elects not to release the service for testing and/or repair and continues to use it on an impaired basis.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)

- (C) When a Credit Allowance Does Not Apply (Cont'd)
 - (7) An interruption or a group of interruptions, resulting from a common cause, for amounts less than one dollar.
- (D) <u>Use of an Alternative Service Provided by the Telephone</u> <u>Company</u>

Should the customer elect to use an alternative service provided by the Telephone Company during the period that a service is interrupted, the customer must pay the tariffed rates and charges for the alternative service used.

(E) <u>Temporary Surrender of a Service</u>

In certain instances, the customer may be requested by the Telephone Company to surrender a service for purposes other than maintenance, testing or activity relating to a service order. If the customer consents, a credit allowance will be granted. The credit allowance will be 1/1440 of the monthly rate for each period of 30 minutes or fraction thereof that the service is surrendered. In no case will the credit allowance exceed the monthly rate for the service surrendered in any one monthly billing period.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.5 Re-establishment of Service Following Fire, Flood or Other Occurrence

(A) Nonrecurring Charges Do Not Apply

Charges do not apply for the re-establishment of service following a fire, flood or other occurrence attributed to an Act of God provided that:

- (1) The service is of the same type as was provided prior to the fire, flood or other occurrence.
- (2) The service is for the same customer.
- (3) The service is at the same location on the same premises.
- (4) The re-establishment of service begins within 60 days after Telephone Company service is available. (The 60 day period may be extended a reasonable period if the renovation of the original location on the premises affected is not practical within the allotted time period).

(B) Nonrecurring Charges Apply

Nonrecurring Charges apply for establishing service at a different location on the same premises or at a different premises pending re-establishment of service at the original location.

2.4.6 Title or Ownership Rights

The payment of rates and charges by customers for the services offered under the provisions of this tariff does not assign, confer or transfer title or ownership rights to proposals or facilities developed or utilized, respectively, by the Telephone Company in the provision of such services.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company

When an Access Service is provided by more than one Telephone Company, the Telephone Companies involved will mutually agree upon one of the billing methods as set forth in (A) and (B) following based upon the interconnection arrangements between the Telephone Companies and the availability of measurement capability. Telephone Company will notify the customer which of the billing methods will be used. The customer will place the order for the service as set forth in 5.3 following dependent upon the billing method.

The billing method set forth in (A) following is applicable only to interconnection arrangements between Exchange Telephone Companies involved in the provision of Feature Group A Switched Access Service where the Exchange Telephone Companies have not agreed to use multiple company billing. The billing methods set forth in (B) following are applicable to interconnection arrangements between Exchange Telephone Companies involved in the provision of all Access Services, with the exception of those instances where the provisions of (A) are available.

In accordance with the Federal Communications Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order in CC Docket 86-106, adopted July 20, 1987, the Telephone Company will adhere to the standards set forth in the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) and the Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design (MECOD) Guidelines when providing access service under Multiple Company (Interconnection Point) Billing arrangements.

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- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - (A) Non-Meet Point Billing
 - (1) Single Company Billing/Single Bill Option

The Telephone Company receiving the order from the customer, as specified in 5.3.1(A) following, will arrange to provide the service, determine the applicable charges and bill the customer for the entire service in accordance with its Access Services tariff as provided for under Feature Group A or Private Line Revenue Sharing Agreements.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(B) Meet Point Billing - Switched Access

Meet Point Billing is required when an access service is provided by multiple Telephone Companies for Feature Groups B, C and D Switched Access Services. It is optional for Feature Group A Switched Access Service.

For usage rated access services the access minutes of use will be determined by the Initial Billing Company and used by the Initial Billing Company and any Subsequent Billing Company(s) for the development of access charges.

- The Initial Billing Company for Feature Groups B, C and D Switched Access Services is normally the end user's end office, for WATS usage the Initial Billing Company is normally the WATS serving office. When the Initial Billing Company is other than the normally designated Telephone Company office, the Telephone Company will notify the customer.
- The Subsequent Billing Company(s) is any Telephone Company(s) in whose territory a segment of Local Transport is provided and/or where the customer's Point of Termination is located.

There are two Meet Point Billing Options -- Single Bill and Multiple Bill.

The Telephone Company must notify the customer of:

- the Meet Point Billing Option that will be used,
- the Telephone Company(s) that will render the bill(s)
- the Telephone Company(s) to whom payment(s) should be remitted, and
- the Telephone Company(s) that will provide the bill inquiry function.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(B) Meet Point Billing - Switched Access (Cont'd)

The Telephone Company shall provide such notification at the time that orders are placed for access service. Additionally, the Telephone Company shall provide this notice in writing 30 days in advance of any changes.

The Telephone Company that renders the bill -- the Bill Rendering Telephone Company -- will include on the access service bill, based upon Industry Standards as described in the MECAB and MECOD Guidelines, cross reference(s) to the other Telephone Company(s) service and the common circuit identifiers. Should a billing dispute arise, the terms and conditions of the Bill Rendering Telephone Company will apply.

(1) Single Bill Option

(a) Single Bill/Single Tariff

Each Telephone Company will receive an order or a copy of the order from the customer as specified in 5.3.2 following and arrange to provide the service. The Bill Rendering Telephone Company will:

- determine and include all other recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges of its access tariff; and
- forward the bill to the customer.

The customer will remit the payment to the Bill Rendering Telephone Company.

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(B) Meet Point Billing - Switched Access (Cont'd)

(2) Multiple Bill Option

Each Telephone Company will receive an order or a copy of the order from the customer as specified in 5.3.2 following. Each Telephone Company will be the Bill Rendering Telephone Company and will:

- prepare its own bill;
- determine its charge(s) for Local Transport and/or Channel Mileage as set forth in (c) following;
- determine and include all other recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges of its access tariff;
- bill in accordance with its access tariff; and
- forward its bill to the customer.

The customer will remit payment directly to each Bill Rendering Telephone Company.

(3) <u>Determination of Meet Point Billed Local Transport and</u> Channel Mileage Charges

Each Telephone Company's portion of the Local Transport and Channel mileage will be determined as follows:

(a) Determine the appropriate Local Transport or Channel Mileage by computing the number of airline miles between the Telephone Company premises (end office, access tandem or serving wire centers for Switched Access) using the V&H method set forth in 6.4.6 following.

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- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - (B) Meet Point Billing Switched Access (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Determination of Meet Point Billed Local Transport and Channel Mileage Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (b) Determine the billing percentage (BP), as set forth in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, which represents the portion of the service provided by each Telephone Company.
 - (c) For Feature Groups A, B, C and D Switched Access Services, (1) multiply the number of access minutes of use times the number of airline miles, as set forth in (a) preceding, times the BP for each Telephone Company, as set forth in (b) preceding, times the Local Transport Facility rate; (2) multiply the Local Transport Termination rate times the number of access minutes.

The Local Transport Termination rate is applied as set forth in 6.1.3(A) following. The Switched Access Nonrecurring Charges are applied as set forth in 6.4.1(B) following. (Note: The BP is not applied to either the Switched Access Local Transport Termination Recurring Rate or any Nonrecurring Charge.)

(d) When three or more Telephone Companies are involved in providing an Access Service, the intermediate Telephone Company(s) will determine the appropriate charges as set forth in (c) and (d) preceding, except the Local Transport Termination or Channel Mileage Termination rate does not apply at the intermediate Telephone Company(s) offices.

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 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - (C) Example Switched Access
 - (1) Layout
 - a) Feature Group C Switched Access is ordered to End Office A.

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- b) End Office A is in operating territory of Telephone Company A.
- c) Customer designated premises is in operating territory of Telephone Company B (Non-Windstream).

Telephone Company A (EC A) (EC B) (Non-Windstream)

Operating Territory Operating Territory

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2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Example - Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)

The following examples reflect the rate calculations for a Windstream end office company (EC A). Rates for a Non-Windstream company would appear in that company's access tariff.

(2) Assume:

Airline miles (ALM) EC A premises to EC B premises = 22.1, rounded = 23.

Billing Percentage (BP) EC A = 20% EC B = 80%

Access Minutes (AM) = 9000

Local Transport Rates:

EC A: Local Transport Facility Rate = LT FAC

Local Transport Termination Rate = LT TERM

(3) BP Rate Calculation: Formula:

Access Minutes (AM) x Airline Miles (ALM) x Billing Percentage (BP) x Local Transport Facility Rate (LT FAC) + [Local Transport Termination Rate (LT TERM) x Access Minute (AM)] = Total

Calculation

EC A AM ALM BP LT FAC LT TERM AM 9000 x 23 x .20 x LT FAC + [LT TERM x 9000] = TOTAL

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 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - (D) <u>Meet Point Billing Special Access</u>
 - (1) Multiple Bill Method

Each Company will receive an order or a copy of the order from the customer, or the company who received the customer request. Each Company will be the Bill Rendering Company and will:

- prepare its own bill;
- determine its charge(s) as set forth in its tariff
- determine and include all other recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges of its tariff;
- bill in accordance with its tariff; and
- forward its bill to the customer.

The customer will remit payment directly to each Bill Rendering Company.

(2) <u>Determination of Meet Point Billed Recurring Interoffice Variable Mileage</u> Charges.

The Meet Point Billing method will be applied to charges which are based upon variable mileage rates. The rules regarding Fixed Mileage charges are outlined in section 2.4.7.D.(3).

(a) Determine the appropriate Interoffice Mileage by computing the airline miles between serving wire centers using the V&H coordinates method where applicable. The mileage to be used to determine the monthly charge for Variable Interoffice Mileage is calculated on the airline distance between the central offices serving the customer's locations. Rounding of fractional miles will be to the next highest increment. This method is set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 for Wire Center Information (V&H coordinates);

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 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
- (D) <u>Meet Point Billing Special Access</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Determination of Meet Point Billed Recurring Interoffice Variable</u> Mileage Charges. (Cont'd)
 - b. Use the billing percentage (BP) as determined by the companies involved which represents the portion of the service provided by each Company.
 - c. Multiply the number of airline miles, as set forth in (A) preceding, times the BP for each Company, as set forth in (B) preceding, times the Channel Mileage Facility rate listed in section 17.6;
 - (3) <u>Determination of Fixed Mileage Based Charges, Non-Recurring</u> <u>and Recurring</u>

NOTE: Unless otherwise specified in this tariff, recurring and non-recurring charges for Private Line Service will be determined as defined in A. and B. following.

a. Non-Recurring Charges

The applicable non-recurring Service Charges and Channel Connection Charges for establishing or modifying a circuit are to be billed by each company with a serving wire center where the circuit terminates. Windstream New York will bill non-recurring charges as identified in section 17.6 following.

b. Recurring Charges

Windstream New York will bill Interoffice Channel Mileage Termination fixed charges as identified in section 17.6 following.

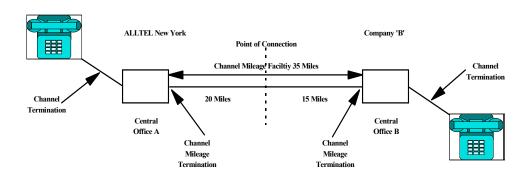
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 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - (D) Meet Point Billing Special Access (Cont'd)
 - (4) Meet Point Billing Illustrations
 - a. Figure A, depicts a multi-company 4 Wire Voice Grade Private Line Circuit between two companies. It also demonstrates how the private line circuit charges are billed for Windstream New York's portion of the network.

Figure A:



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 - (D) Meet Point Billing Special Access (Cont'd)
 - (4) Meet Point Billing Illustrations (Cont'd)

Figure A: (Cont'd)

Total Charges Windstream New York

<u>Qty</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Rate</u>	Total
1 1 1	Service Charge Central Office Line Charge Private Installation Charge Premise Visit	\$56.00 \$50.05 \$159.00 \$19.00	\$56.00 \$50.05 \$159.00 \$19.00
	Total Non-Recurring Charges		\$284.05
1 1 1 20	4 Wire Channel Termination 4 Wire Voice Functionality Channel Mileage Termination Channel Mileage Facility	\$40.61 \$19.99 \$18.43 \$12.67	\$40.61 \$19.99 \$18.43 <u>\$253.40</u>
	Total Monthly Recurring Charges		\$322.43

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 - 2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - (D) Meet Point Billing Special Access (Cont'd)
 - (4) Meet Point Billing Illustration (Cont'd)
 - a. Figure B, depicts a multi-company 1.544 Mbps Hi Cap Private Line Circuit between three companies. It also demonstrates how the private line circuit charges are billed for Windstream New York's portion of the network.

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Figure B:

ALLTEL New York Company 'B' Company 'C' Point of Connection Point of Connection Channel Mileage Facility 35 Miles Channel Termination 10 Miles 10 Miles 5Mles Channel 10 Miles Termination Central Central Central Office X Office Y $O\!f\!f\!ice\,Z$

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- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 <u>Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - (D) Meet Point Billing Special Access (Cont'd)
 - (4) Meet Point Billing Illustration (Cont'd)

Figure B. (Cont'd)

Total Charges Windstream New York

<u>Qty</u>	<u>Description</u>	Rate	<u>Total</u>
1 1	Service Charge Central Office Line Charge	\$56.00 \$585.00	\$56.00 \$585.00
1	Premise Visit	\$19.00	\$19.00
	Total Non-Recurring Charges		\$660.00
1 1 10	Channel Termination Channel Mileage Termination Channel Mileage Facility	\$269.93 \$64.89 \$41.53	\$269.93 \$64.89 <u>\$415.30</u>
	Total Monthly Recurring Charges		\$750.12

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2.5 <u>Connections</u>

Equipment and Systems (i.e., terminal equipment, multiline terminating systems and communications systems) may be connected with Switched Access Service furnished by the Telephone Company where such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in Technical Reference Publication AS No. 1 and in 2.1 preceding.

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2.6 Definitions

Certain terms used herein are defined as follows:

Access Code

The term "Access Code" denotes a uniform seven digit access code assigned by the Telephone Company to an individual customer. The Carrier Access Code (CA) has the form 101XXXX, and the Carrier Identification Code (CIC) has the form 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX.

Access Minutes

For the purpose of calculating chargeable usage, the term "Access Minutes" denotes customer usage of exchange facilities in the provision of interstate or foreign service. On the originating end of an interstate or foreign call, usage is measured from the time of the originating end user's call is delivered by the Telephone Company to and acknowledged as received by the customer's facilities connected with the originating exchange. On the terminating end of an interstate or foreign call, usage is measured from the time the call is received by the end user in the terminating exchange. Timing of usage at both originating and terminating ends of an interstate or foreign call shall terminate when the calling or called party disconnects, whichever event is recognized first in the originating and terminating exchanges, as applicable.

Access Tandem

The term "Access Tandem" denotes a Telephone Company switching system that provides a concentration and distribution function for originating or terminating traffic between end offices and a customer designated premises.

Answer/Disconnect Supervision

The term "Answer/Disconnect Supervision" denotes the transmission of the switch trunk equipment supervisory signal (off-hook or on-hook) to the customer's point of termination as an indication that the called party has answered or disconnected.

Attenuation Distortion

The term "Attenuation Distortion" denotes the difference in loss at specified frequencies relative to the loss at 1004 Hz, unless otherwise specified.

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Balance (100 Type) Test Line

The term "Balance (100 Type) Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides for balance and noise testing.

Bit

The term "Bit" denotes the smallest unit of information in the binary system of notation.

Business Day

The term "Business Day" denotes the times of day that a company is open for business. Generally, in the business community, these are 8:00 or 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 or 6:00 p.m., respectively, with an hour for lunch, Monday through Friday, resulting in a standard forty (40) hour work week. However, Business Day hours for the Telephone Company may vary based on company policy, union contract and location. To determine such hours for an individual company, or company location, the Company should be contacted at the address shown below.

Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity (BHMC)

The term "Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity (BHMC)" denotes the customer specified maximum amount of Switched Access Service access minutes the customer expects to be handled in an end office switch during any hour in an 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. period for the Feature Group Service ordered. This customer specified BHMC quantity is the input data the Telephone Company uses to determine the number of transmission paths for the Feature Group Service ordered.

Call

The term "Call" denotes a customer attempt for which complete address information (e.g., 0-, 911, or 10 digits) is provided to the serving dial tone office.

Carrier or Common Carrier

See Interexchange Carrier.

CCS

The term "CCS" denotes a hundred call seconds, which is a standard unit of traffic load that is equal to 100 seconds of usage or capacity of a group of servers (e.g., trunks).

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Central Office

See End Office.

Central Office Maintenance Technician

The term "Central Office Maintenance Technician" denotes a Telephone Company employee who performs installation and/or repair work, including testing and trouble isolation, within the Telephone Company Central Office.

Central Office Prefix

The term "Central Office Prefix" denotes the first three digits (NXX) of the seven digit telephone number assigned to a customer's Telephone Exchange Service when dialed on a local basis.

Channel(s)

The term "Channel(s)" denotes an electrical or photonic, in the case of fiber optic-based transmission systems, communications path between two or more points of termination.

Channel Service Unit

The term "Channel Service Unit" denotes equipment which performs one or more of the following functions: termination of a digital facility, regeneration of digital signals, detection and/or correction of signal format error, and remote loop back.

Channelize

The term "Channelize" denotes the process of multiplexing-demultiplexing wider bandwidth or higher speed channels into narrower band-width or lower speed channels.

C-Message Noise

The term "C-Message Noise" denotes the frequency weighted average noise within an idle voice channel. The frequency weighting, called C-message, is used to simulate the frequency characteristic of the 500-type telephone set and the hearing of the average subscriber.

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C-Notched Noise

The term "C-Notched Noise" denotes the C-message frequency weighted noise on a voice channel with a holding tone, which is removed at the measuring end through a notch (very narrow band) filter.

Coin Station

See Pay Telephone.

Common Line

The term "Common Line" denotes a line, trunk, pay telephone line or other facility provided under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs of the Telephone Company, terminated on a central office switch. A common line-residence is a line or trunk provided under the residence regulations of the general and/or local exchange service tariffs. A common line-business is a line provided under the business regulations of the general and/or local exchange service tariffs.

Communications System

The term "Communications System" denotes channels and other facilities which are capable of communications between terminal equipment provided by other than the Telephone Company.

Customer(s)

The term "Customer(s)" denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity or other entity which subscribes to the services offered under this tariff, including both Interexchange Carriers (ICs) and End Users.

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2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

Customer Designated Premises

The term "Customer Designated Premises" denotes the premises specified by the customer for the provision of Access Service. Additionally, Telephone Company Centrex CO and CO-like switches and packet switches included in Public Packet Switching Network (PPSN) Service are considered to be a customer designated premises for purposes of this tariff.

Data Transmission (107 Type) Test Line

The term "Data Transmission (107 Type) Test Line" denotes an arrangement which provides for a connection to a signal source which provides test signals for one-way testing of data and voice transmission parameters.

Decibel

The term "Decibel" denotes a unit used to express relative difference in power, usually between acoustic or electric signals, equal to ten (10) times the common logarithm of the ratio of two signal powers.

Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting

The term "Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting" denotes noise power measurements with C-Message Weighting in decibels relative to a reference 1000 Hz tone of 90 dB below 1 milliwatt.

Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Referenced to O

The term "Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Referenced to O" denotes noise power in "Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting" referred to or measured at a zero transmission level point.

Detail Billing

The term "Detail Billing" denotes the listing of each message and/or rate element for which charges to a customer are due on a bill prepared by the Telephone Company.

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Dual Tone Multifrequency Address Signaling

The term "Dual Tone Multifrequency Address Signaling" denotes a type of signaling that is an optional feature of Switched Access Feature Group A. It may be utilized when Feature Group A is being used in the terminating direction (from the point of termination with the customer to the local exchange end office). An office arranged for Dual Tone Multifrequency Signaling would expect to receive address signals from the customer in the form of Dual Tone Multifrequency signals.

Echo Control

The term "Echo Control" denotes the control of reflected signals in a telephone transmission path.

Echo Path Loss

The term "Echo Path Loss" denotes the measure of reflected signal at a 4-wire point of interface without regard to the send and receive Transmission Level Point.

Echo Return Loss

The term "Echo Return Loss" denotes a frequency weighted measure of return loss over the middle of the voiceband (approximately 500 to 2500 Hz), where talker echo is most annoying.

Effective 2-Wire

The term "Effective 2-Wire" denotes a condition which permits the simultaneous transmission in both directions over a channel, but it is not possible to insure independent information transmission in both directions. Effective 2-wire channels may be terminated with 2-wire or 4-wire interfaces.

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Effective 4-Wire

The term "Effective 4-Wire" denotes a condition which permits the simultaneous independent transmission of information in both directions over a channel. The method of implementing effective 4-wire transmission is at the discretion of the Telephone Company (physical, time domain, frequency-domain separation or echo cancellation techniques). Effective 4-wire channels may be terminated with a 2-wire interface at the customer's premises. However, when terminated 2-wire, simultaneous independent transmission cannot be supported because the two wire interface combines the transmission paths into a single path.

End Office

The term "End Office" denotes a local Telephone Company switching system where Telephone Exchange Service customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks. This term includes Remote Switching Modules/Systems served by a Host Central Office in a different wire center.

End User

The term "End User" means any customer of an intrastate telecommunications service that is not a carrier, except that a carrier other than a telephone company shall be deemed to be an "end user" when such carrier uses a telecommunications service for administrative purposes, and a person or entity that offers telecommunications service exclusively as a reseller shall be deemed to be an "end user" if all resale transmissions offered by such reseller originate on the premises of such reseller.

Enhanced Service

The term "Enhanced Service", as defined in Part 64 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations, are services "...offered over common carrier transmission facilities used in interstate communications, which employ computer processing applications that act on the format, content, code, protocol or similar aspects of the subscriber's transmitted information; provide the subscriber additional, different, or restructured information; or involve subscriber interaction with stored information."

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2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

Entry Switch

See First Point of Switching.

Envelope Delay Distortion

The term "Envelope Delay Distortion" denotes a measure of the linearity of the phase versus frequency of a channel.

Equal Level Echo Path Loss

The term "Equal Level Echo Path Loss" (ELEPL) denotes the measure of Echo Path Loss (EPL) at a 4-wire interface which is corrected by the difference between the send and receive Transmission Level Point (TLP). [ELEPL = EPL - TLP (send) + TLP (receive)].

Exchange

The term "Exchange" denotes a unit generally smaller than a local access and transport area, established by the Telephone Company for the administration of communications service in a specified area which usually embraces a city, town or village and its environs. It consists of one or more central offices together with the associated facilities used in furnishing communications service within that area. The exchange includes any Extended Area Service area that is an enlargement of a Telephone Company's exchange area to include nearby exchanges. One or more designated exchanges comprise a given local access and transport area.

Expected Measured Loss

The term "Expected Measured Loss" denotes a calculated loss which specifies the end-to-end 1004-Hz loss on a terminated test connection between two readily accessible manual or remote test points. It is the sum of the inserted connection loss and test access loss including any test pads.

Extended Area Service

See Exchange.

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First Point of Switching

The term "First Point of Switching" denotes the first Telephone Company at which switching occurs on the terminating path of a call proceeding from the customer designated premises to the terminating end office and, at the same time, the last Telephone Company at which switching occurs on the originating path of a call proceeding from the originating end office to the customer designated premises.

Frequency Shift

The term "Frequency Shift" denotes the change in the frequency of a tone as it is transmitted over a channel.

Grandfathered

The term "Grandfathered" denotes Terminal Equipment, Multiline Terminating Systems and Protective Circuitry directly connected to the facilities utilized to provide services under the provisions of this tariff, and which are considered grandfathered under Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Host Central Office

The term "Host Central Office" denotes an electronic local Telephone Company End Office where Telephone Exchange Service customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks. Additionally, this type of End Office contains the central call processing functions which service itself and its Remote Switching Modules/Systems.

Immediately Available Funds

The term "Immediately Available Funds" denotes a corporate or personal check drawn on a bank account and funds which are available for use by the receiving party on the same day on which they are received and include U.S. Federal Reserve bank wire transfers, U.S. Federal Reserve notes (paper cash), U.S. coins, U.S. Postal Money Orders and New York Certificates of Deposit.

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Impedance Balance

The term "Impedance Balance" denotes the method of expressing Echo Return Loss and Singing Return Loss at a 4-wire interface whereby the gains and/or loss of the 4 wire portion of the transmission path, including the hybrid, are not included in the specification.

Impulse Noise

The term "Impulse Noise" denotes any momentary occurrence of the noise on a channel over a specified level threshold. It is evaluated by counting the number of occurrences which exceed the threshold.

Individual Case Basis

The term "Individual Case Basis" denotes a condition in which the regulations, if applicable, rates and charges for an offering under the provisions of this tariff are developed based on the circumstances in each case.

Inserted Connection Loss

The term "Inserted Connection Loss" denotes the 1004 Hz power difference (in dB) between the maximum power available at the originating end and the actual power reaching the terminating end through the inserted connection.

Installation and Repair Technician

The term "Installation and Repair Technician" denotes a Telephone Company employee who performs installation and/or repair work, including testing and trouble isolation, outside of the Telephone Company Central Office and generally at the customer designated premises.

Interexchange Carrier (IC) or Interexchange Common Carrier

The terms "Interexchange Carrier" (IC) or "Interexchange Common Carrier" denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged for hire in intrastate communication by wire or radio, between two or more exchanges.

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Intermodulation Distortion

The term "Intermodulation Distortion" denotes a measure of the nonlinearity of a channel. It is measured using four tones, and evaluating the ratios (in dB) of the transmitted composite four-tone signal power to the second-order products of the tones (R2), and the third-order products of the tones (R3).

Interstate Communications

The term "Interstate Communications" denotes both interstate and foreign communications.

Intrastate Communications

The term "Intrastate Communications" denotes any communications within a state subject to oversight by a state regulatory commission as provided by the laws of the state involved.

Legal Holiday

The term "Legal Holiday" denotes days other than Saturday or Sunday for which the Telephone Company is normally closed. These include New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and a day when Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day or Columbus Day is legally observed and other locally observed holidays when the Telephone Company is closed.

Line Side Connection

The term "Line Side Connection" denotes a connection of a transmission path to the line side of a local exchange switching system.

Local Access and Transport Area (LATA)

The term "Local Access and Transport Area" denotes a geographic area established for the provision and administration of communications service. It encompasses one or more designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.

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Loss Deviation

The term "Loss Deviation" denotes the variation of the actual loss from the designed value.

Major Fraction Thereof

The term "Major Fraction Thereof" denotes any period of time in excess of 1/2 of the stated amount of time. As an example, in considering a period of 24 hours, a major fraction thereof would be any period of time in excess of 12 hours exactly. Therefore, if a given service is interrupted for a period of thirty-six hours and fifteen minutes, the customer would be given a credit allowance for two twenty-four hour periods for a total of forty eight hours.

<u>Message</u>

The term "Message" denotes a "call" as defined preceding.

Milliwatt (102 Type) Test Line

The term "Milliwatt (102 Type) Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides a 1004 Hz tone at 0 dBm0 for one-way transmission measurements towards the customers' premises from the Telephone Company end office.

Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO)

The term "Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO)" denotes a Cellular Mobile Carrier (CMC) switching system that is used to terminate mobile stations for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks interfacing with the public switched network.

Network Control Signaling

The term "Network Control Signaling" denotes the transmission of signals used in the telecommunications system which perform functions such as supervision (control, status, and charge signals), address signaling (e.g., dialing), calling and called number identifications, rate of flow, service selection error control and audible tone signals (call progress signals indicating re-order or busy conditions, alerting, coin denominations, coin collect and coin return tones) to control the operation of the telecommunications system.

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2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Nonsynchronous Test Line

The term "Nonsynchronous Test Line" denotes an arrangement in step-by-step end offices which provides operational tests which are not as complete as those provided by the synchronous test lines, but can be made more rapidly.

North American Numbering Plan

The term "North American Numbering Plan" denotes a three-digit area code (Numbering Plan Area - NPA) and a seven-digit telephone number made up of a three-digit Central Office prefix plus a four-digit station number.

Off-hook

The term "Off-hook" denotes the active condition of Switched Access or a Telephone Exchange Service line.

On-hook

The term "On-hook" denotes the idle condition of Switched Access or a Telephone Exchange Service line.

Open Circuit Test Line

The term "Open Circuit Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides an ac open circuit termination of a trunk or line by means of an inductor of several Henries.

Originating Direction

The term "Originating Direction" denotes the use of access service for the origination of calls from an End User Premises to an IC Premises.

Pay Telephone

The term "Pay Telephone" denotes a coin or coinless instrument provided in a public or semipublic place where Payphone Service Provider customers can originate telephonic communications and pay the applicable charges by (1) inserting coins into the equipment, or (2) using a credit card, or (3) third party billing the call or (4) calling collect.

Payphone Service Provider

The term "Payphone Service Provider" denotes an entity that provides pay telephone service, which is the provision of public, semi-public or inmate pay telephone service.

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Phase Jitter

The term "Phase Jitter" denotes the unwanted phase variations of a signal.

Point of Termination

The term "Point of Termination" denotes the point of demarcation within a customer-designated premises at which the Telephone Company's responsibility for the provision of Access Service ends.

Premises

The term "Premises" denotes a building or buildings on continuous property (except Railroad Right-of-Way, etc.) not separated by a public highway.

Remote Switching Modules/Systems

The term "Remote Switching Modules/Systems" denotes small, remotely controlled electronic end office switches which obtain their call processing capability from an electronic Host Central Office. The Remote Switching Modules/Systems cannot accommodate direct trunks to an IC.

Return Loss

The term "Return Loss" denotes a measure of the similarity between the two impedances at the junction of two transmission paths. The higher the return loss, the higher the similarity.

Registered Equipment

The term "Registered Equipment" denotes the customer's premises equipment which complies with and has been approved within the Registration Provisions of Part 68 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations.

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Service Access Code

The term "Service Access Code" denotes a 3 digit code in the NPA format which is used as the first three digits of a 10 digit address and which is assigned for special network uses. Whereas NPA codes are normally used for identifying specific geographical areas, certain Service Access Codes have been allocated in the North American Numbering Plan to identify generic services or to provide access capability. Examples of Service Access Codes include the 800/888/877 and 900 codes. Serving Wire Center

The term "Serving Wire Center" denotes the wire center from which the customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone from the Telephone Company.

Seven Digit Manual Test Line

The term "Seven Digit Manual Test Line" denotes an arrangement which allows the Customer to select balance, milliwatt and synchronous test lines by manually dialing a seven digit number over the associated access connection.

Shortage of Facilities or Equipment

The term "Shortage of Facilities or Equipment" denotes a condition which occurs when the Telephone Company does not have appropriate cable, switching capacity, bridging or, multiplexing equipment, etc., necessary to provide the Access Service requested by the customer.

Short Circuit Test Line

The term "Short Circuit Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides for an ac short circuit termination of a trunk or line by means of a capacitor of at least four microfarads.

Signal-to-C-Notched Noise Ratio

The term "Signal-to-C-Notched Noise Ratio" denotes the ratio in dB of a test signal to the corresponding C-Notched Noise.

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Singing Return Loss

The term "Singing Return Loss" denotes the frequency weighted measure of return loss at the edges of the voiceband (200 to 500 Hz and 2500 to 3200 Hz), where singing (instability) problems are most likely to occur.

Subtending End Office of an Access Tandem

The term "Subtending End Office of an Access Tandem" denotes an end office that has final trunk group routing through that tandem.

Synchronous Test Line

The term "Synchronous Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which performs marginal operational tests of supervisory and ring-tripping functions.

Terminating Direction

The term "Terminating Direction" denotes the use of Access Service for the completion of calls from an IC premises to an End User Premises.

Transmission Measuring (105 Type) Test Line/Responder

The term "Transmission Measuring (105 Type) Test Line/Responder" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides far-end access to a responder and permits two-way loss and noise measurements to be made on trunks from a near end office.

Transmission Path

The term "Transmission Path" denotes an electrical path capable of transmitting signals within the range of the service offering, e.g., a voice grade transmission path is capable of transmitting voice frequencies within the approximate range of 300 to 3000 Hz. A transmission path is comprised of physical or derived facilities consisting of any form or configuration of plant typically used in the telecommunications industry.

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Trunk

The term "Trunk" denotes a communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

Trunk Group

The term "Trunk Group" denotes a set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

Trunk Side Connection

The term "Trunk Side Connection" denotes the connection of a transmission path to the trunk side of a local exchange switching system.

Two-Wire to Four-Wire Conversion

The term "Two-Wire to Four-Wire Conversion" denotes an arrangement which converts a four-wire transmission path to a two-wire transmission path to allow a four-wire facility to terminate in a two-wire entity (e.g., a central office switch).

Uniform Service Order Code

The term "Uniform Service Order Code" denotes a three or five character alphabetic, or an alphanumeric code that identifies a specific item of service or equipment. Uniform Service Order Codes are used in the Telephone Company billing system to generate recurring rates and nonrecurring charges.

V and H Coordinates Method

The term "V and H Coordinates Method" denotes a method of computing airline miles between two points by utilizing an established formula which is based on the vertical and horizontal coordinates of the two points.

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2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

WATS Serving Office

The term "WATS Serving Office" denotes a Telephone Company designated serving wire center where switching, screening and/or recording functions are performed in connection with the closed-end of WATS or WATS-type services.

Wire Center

The term "Wire Center" denotes a building in which one or more central offices, used for the provision of Telephone Exchange Services, are located.

2.7 <u>State Revenue Taxes</u>

Rates and charges that apply to the provision of telephone service are subject to New York State revenue taxes.

The applicable Gross Revenue Surcharge rates are shown on a statement which is attached to this tariff. Any changes to these rates will be filed on 15 days' notice to customers and the Commission, and as directed by the Commission. Whenever the state levies a new tax on the Company's gross revenues, repeals such a tax, or changes the rate of such tax, the Commission may approve new surcharge factors, and the Company will file revised surcharges as directed by the Commission.

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Carrier Common Line Access Service

3.1 General Description

The Telephone Company will provide Carrier Common Line Access Service (Carrier Common Line Access) to customers in conjunction with Switched Access Service provided in Section 6. of this tariff. Carrier Common Line Access provides for the use of end users' Telephone Company provided common lines by customers for access to such end users to furnish Intrastate Communications.

3.2 Limitations

3.2.1 <u>Exclusions</u>

Neither a telephone number nor detail billing are provided with Carrier Common Line Access. Additionally, directory listings and intercept arrangements are not included in the rates and charges for Carrier Common Line Access.

3.2.2 Access Groups

All line side connections provided in the same access group will be limited to the same features and operating characteristics.

All trunk side connections provided in the same access group will be limited to the same features and operating characteristics.

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3.3 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u>

3.3.1 <u>Provision of Service</u>

Where the customer is provided Switched Access Service under other sections of this or other Access Service tariffs, the Telephone Company will provide the use of Telephone Company common lines by a customer for access to end users at rates and charges as set forth in 17.1.1 following.

3.3.2 <u>Interstate and Intrastate Use</u>

The Switched Access Service provided by the Telephone Company includes the Switched Access Service provided for both interstate and intrastate communications. The Carrier Common Line Access rates and charges as set forth in 17.1.1 following apply to intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes in accordance with the rate regulations as set forth in 3.8.4 following (Percent Intrastate Use - PIU).

3.4 Obligations of the Customer

3.4.1 Switched Access Service Requirement

The Switched Access Service associated with Carrier Common Line Access shall be ordered by the customer under other sections of this tariff.

3.4.2 <u>Supervision</u>

The customer facilities at the premises of the ordering customer shall provide the necessary on-hook and off-hook supervision.

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3.5 <u>Determination of Usage Subject to Carrier Common Line Access charges</u>

Except as set forth herein, all Switched Access Service provided to the customer will be subject to Carrier Common Line Access charges.

3.5.1 Determination of Jurisdiction

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of Switched Access Service, the associated Carrier Common Line Access used by the customer for intrastate will be determined as set forth in 3.8.4 following (Percent Intrastate Use - PIU).

3.5.2 Cases Involving Usage Recording By the Customer

Where Feature Group C end office switching is provided without Telephone Company recording and the customer records minutes of use used to determine Carrier Common Line Access charges (i.e., Feature Group C operator and calls such as pay telephone sent-paid, operator-DDD, operator-person, collect, credit-card, third number and/or other like calls), the customer shall furnish such minutes of use detail to the Telephone Company in a timely manner. If the customer does not furnish the data, the customer shall identify all Switched Access Services which could carry such calls in order for the Telephone Company to accumulate the minutes of use through the use of special Telephone Company measuring and recording equipment.

3.5.3 Local Exchange Access and Enhanced Services Exemption

When access to the local exchange is required to provide a customer service (e.g., MTS/WATS-type, telex, Data, etc.) that uses a resold private line service, Switched Access Service Rates and Regulations, as set forth in Section 6 following will apply, except when such access to the local exchange is required for the provision of an enhanced service. Carrier Common Line Access rates and charges as set forth in 17.1.1 following apply in accordance with the resale rate regulations as set forth in 3.6.4 following.

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3.6 Resold Services

3.6.1 Scope

- (A) Where the customer is engaged exclusively in reselling services in order to provide an originating MTS/WATS-type service, the customer may employ ordinary local business exchange service at generally applicable local business exchange rates under the Telephone Company general and/or local exchange tariffs provided all the following conditions (1) and (2) are met:
 - (1) The resold services must be MTS/WATS service, MTS-type service and/or WATS-type service which is subject to Carrier Common Line Access Charges under this tariff and/or
 - a) Telephone Company provided intrastate Private Line Service subject to rates which generate revenue that exceeds the cost of such Private Line Service by not less than the product of the Carrier Common Line rate which would normally apply and the originating access minutes of use routed to the Private Line Service. The originating Carrier Common Line access minutes are equal to the product of the number of business lines and the monthly (30 days) minutes assuming 80% occupancy during the daily busy hour and that the busy hour reflects 10% of the total daily usage.

When the Telephone Company provided intrastate Private Line Service provides a contribution that is less than the Carrier Common Line charge as determined above, the customer at its option may employ ordinary local business exchange service at generally applicable local business exchange rates and pay the difference between the contribution and the Carrier Common Line charge. The private line contribution will be determined by

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.1 Scope (Cont'd)

(A) (Cont'd)

subtracting the separated cost of the private line from the revenue produced by the existing private line tariff.

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- b) If the resold service is Telephone Company provided Private Line Service it must be utilized to distribute the originating MTS/WATS-type service calls to another LATA or to another point of presence within the same LATA.
- (2) All the calls received by the customer for completion are directed to such resold services.

Switched Access or Carrier Common Line Access Charges under this tariff will not apply for such access.

If the customer wishes to obtain line side or trunk side Switched Access Service, in lieu of exchange service, for such resale, the customer may obtain Switched Access Service under this tariff as set forth in Section 6 following. The Carrier Common Line Access Charges will be adjusted for such originating access as set forth in (D) following.

The arrangements set forth in this paragraph (A) are not available to any other type of reseller. Access arrangements for such resellers are as set forth in (B) following.

(B) Resellers, other than those set forth in (A) preceding, which provide local or MTS/WATS-type services must obtain Switched Access Service and Carrier Common Line Access Service under this tariff for originating and/or terminating access in the local exchange.

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.1 Scope (Cont'd)

- (C) Where the customer obtains access as set forth in (B) preceding and is also reselling MTS/WATS-type service. MTS-type service. WATS-type service and/or Telephone Company provided intrastate Private Line Service to provide an originating MTS/WATS-type service, Carrier Common Line Access Charges for originating access minutes carried over such combined access may be adjusted. The adjustment is made only for resold originating intrastate MTS/MTS-type, WATS and/or WATS-type minutes of use for which Switched Access Service and Carrier Common Line Access Charges have been assessed on the underlying carrier and/or when the resold service is Company provided Intrastate Private Line Service for the amount that the resold Private Line Service revenue exceeds the cost of such Private Line Service. To obtain such adjustment, the customer must provide reports as set forth in 3.6.2 (A).
- (D) When the customer obtains access as set forth in (A) preceding to provide an originating MTS/WATS-type service, Carrier Common Line Access Charges for originating access minutes of use may be adjusted. The adjustments are made only for (1) resold originating intrastate MTS/WATS or MTS/WATS-type minutes of use for which Switched Access Service and Carrier Common Line Access Charges have been assessed on the underlying carrier or (2) resold Telephone Company Private Line Service. To obtain such adjustment, the customer must provide information as set forth in 3.6.3 following.
- (E) Pursuant to the Public Service Commission Order Case 90-C-0082 effective August 15, 1990, the following regulations detail the phaseout of Carrier Common Line Charge exemptions for those customers whose underlying carrier is not assessed Switched Access Service and Carrier Common Line charges:

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.1 Scope (Cont'd)

(E) (Cont'd)

- (1) Interexchange Carriers and resellers currently receiving exemptions from Carrier Common Line Charges will have the number of such exempted access minutes capped. The maximum number of such exempted minutes will be the monthly average for that Interexchange Carrier/reseller for the year ending May 31, 1990. For those Interexchange Carriers/resellers in operation less than a year, such exempted access minutes of the predecessor company, if any, will be counted, where applicable. To the extent that twelve months' data are not available, either from the present or predecessor Interexchange Carrier/reseller, all available data will be used to determine the monthly average.
- (2) The maximum number of capped minutes determined in (1) above and reduced by 4 percent per month or the actual usage effective September 7, 1990, whichever is lower, will apply. The Carrier Common Line Charge exemption regulation, as set forth in (A) and (B), will serve as the definition of allowable exempted minutes.
- (3) These regulations will be provisioned on a state-wide basis by the Telephone Company. The phaseout adjustment calculated in (2) preceding will be apportioned among the actual billed usage based on the appropriate jurisdiction as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding. Such adjustment will be provided to the customers within 30 days issuance of the bill.

The above regulations expire October 6, 1992.

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.2 <u>Customer Obligations Concerning the Resale of Services</u>

(A) When the customer orders combined access as set forth in 3.6.1(C) preceding, the customer will be charged the Carrier Common Line Access charges in accordance with the regulations as set forth in 3.6.4(A) following if the customer or the provider of the MTS or WATS service furnishes documentation of the MTS or WATS usage and/or the customer furnishes documentation of the MTS-type or WATS-type usage and/or the customer provided sufficient information about its network to demonstrate that the Company provided intrastate Private Line Services are used for the resale of services ordered in 3.6.1(B) and that such Private Line Service are subject to rates which generate revenue that exceeds the cost of such Private Line Service by not less than the product of the Carrier Common Line rate which would normally apply and the originating access minutes of use routed to the Private Line Service. If the resold service is Telephone Company provided Private Line Service it must be utilized to distribute the originating MTS/WATS-type service calls to another LATA or to another point of presence within the same LATA. When the MTS-type or WATS-type service provided by the customer, utilizing such resold services, originate in more than one Telephone Company service area, the sum of the adjustments to the originating access users from these Telephone Companies shall not exceed such resold usage. The documentation supplied by the customer shall be supplied each month as set forth in 3.6.3 following.

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.2 Customer Obligations Concerning the Resale of Services (Cont'd)

(B) When the customer obtains access as set forth in 3.6.1(D) preceding, the customer will be charged the Carrier Common Line Access Charges in accordance with the regulations as set forth in 3.6.4(B) following (1) if the customer furnishes documentation of MTS/WATS usage or MTS/WATS-type services, or (2) the customer provides sufficient information about its network to demonstrate that the Company provided intrastate Private Line Services are exclusively used for the resale of service ordered in 3.3(B) and that such Private Line Service are subject to rates which generate revenue that exceeds the cost of such Private Line Service by not less than the product of the Carrier Common Line rate which would normally apply and the originating access minutes of use routed to the Private Line Service. When the Company provided intrastate Private Line Service provides a contribution that is less than the Carrier Common Line charge as determined above, the customer at its option may employ ordinary local business exchange service at generally applicable local business exchange rates and pay the difference between the contribution and the Carrier Common Line charge. When the MTS-type or WATS-type service provided by the customer utilizing such resold service originate in more than one Telephone Company service area, the sum of the adjustments to the originating access users from these Telephone Companies shall not exceed such resold usage. The documentation about such information shall be supplied each month as set forth in 3.6.3 following.

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.2 <u>Customer Obligations Concerning the Resale of Services</u> (Cont'd)

(C) When the customer orders Switched Access Service as set forth in (A) preceding, the Telephone Company may request a certified copy of the customer's usage billing. For MTS and WATS service, the usage may be requested for either the customer or the provider of the service. For MTS-type and WATS-type service, the usage will be requested from the customer. The requests for this billing information will relate back no more than 12 months prior to the current billing period.

3.6.3 Resale Documentation Provided by the Customer

As set forth in 3.6.2(A) and (B) preceding, the customer shall supply specific documentation in connection with the provision of combined access. Such documentation shall be supplied each month and shall identify the involved resold MTS, MTS-type, inter-LATA and/or intraLATA Wats, WATS-type services and Telephone Company-provided Private Line Services. The monthly period used to determine the minutes of use per resold service shall be the most recent monthly period for which the customer has received a bill for such resold services. The customer furnished information shall show the bill date for the resold services. The customer shall also specify the number of resold WATS and/or WATS-type services to be associated with each combined access group. If this number is not reported, the Telephone Company will assume that all identified resold WATS and/or WATS-type services are to be associated with the line side combined access group. This information shall be delivered to the Telephone Company, at a location specified by the Telephone Company, no later than 15 days after the bill date shown on the resold service bill. If the required information is not received by the Telephone Company, the previously reported information as described in 3.6.3(A) and (B) preceding will be used for the next two months. For any subsequent month no allocation or credit will be made until the required documentation is delivered to the Telephone Company by the customer.

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3.6 Resold Services (Cont'd)

3.6.4 Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of Services

- (A) When the customer orders a combined access group as set forth in 3.6.1(C) preceding subject to limitations as set forth in 3.2 preceding, and the Telephone Company receives the information furnished as set forth in 3.6.2(A) preceding, the customer will be billed Carrier Common Line charge as follows:
 - (1) The Carrier Common Line Access Charge per minute as set forth in 17.1.1 following will apply. The minutes billed will be all the terminating intrastate access minutes plus the adjusted originating intrastate access minutes for such combined access groups. The adjusted originating access minutes will be the originating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold originating MTS, MTS-type, WATS, WATS-type service minutes of use. When the resold service is Telephone Company provided intrastate Private Line Service the Carrier Common line charges will be reduced to the extent that the resold Private Line Service revenue exceeds the cost of such Private Line Services.
 - (2) One line side Switched Access Service for each resold WATS and/or WATS-type service reported as set forth in 3.6.2(A) and (B) preceding will be billed local business exchange service rates.
 - (3) Any line side Switched Access Service which is not offset as set forth in (2) preceding will be billed Switched Access Service as set forth in 17.2 following.
 - (4) Any trunk side Switched Access Service provided will be billed Switched Access Service as set forth in 17.2 following.
- (B) The adjustment as set forth in (1) preceding will be made to the involved customer account no later than either the next bill date, or the one subsequent to that depending on when the usage report is obtained.

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3.6.4 Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of Services (Cont'd)

- (C) When the WATS-type and/or WATS usage is shown in hours, the number of hours shall be multiplied by 60 to develop the associated WATS-type and WATS minutes of use. If the WATS-type and/or WATS usage is shown in a unit that does not show hours or minutes, the customer shall provide a factor to convert the shown units to minutes.
- (D) The originating intrastate access minutes for Carrier Common Line Access, adjusted as set forth in (1) preceding or any other section of this tariff, that are billed to a customer in a monthly period shall not be less than zero.
- (E) If the required documentation is not received by the Telephone Company, the previously reported information as described in 3.6.2(A) and (B) preceding will be used for the next two months. For any subsequent month, no adjustment or credit will be made until the required documentation is delivered to the Telephone Company by the customer.
- (F) The adjustment as set forth in (1) preceding will be made to the involved customer account after making the adjustments to the customer account as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding.

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3.8 Rate Regulations

3.8.1 Billing of Charges

Carrier Common Line charges will be billed to each Switched Access Service provided under this tariff, except as set forth in 3.6 preceding (Resale) and 3.8.4 following (PIU).

3.8.2 Measuring and Recording of Call Detail

When access minutes are used to determine Carrier Common Line charges, they will be accumulated using call detail recorded by Telephone Company equipment except as set forth in 3.8.3 following (Unmeasured FGA Usage) and Feature Group C operator and automated operator services systems call detail such as pay telephone sent-paid, operator-DDD, operator-person, collect, credit-card, third number and/or other like calls recorded by the customer. The Telephone Company measuring and recording equipment, except as set forth in 3.8.3 following (Unmeasured FGA Usage), will be associated with end office or local tandem switching equipment and will record each originating and terminating access minute where answer supervision is received. The accumulated access minutes will be summed on a line by line basis, by line group or by end office, whichever type of account is used by the Telephone Company, for each customer and then rounded to the nearest minute.

3.8.3 Unmeasured Feature Group A Usage

When Carrier Common Line Access is provided in association with Feature Group A Switched Access Service in Telephone Company offices that are not equipped for measurement capabilities, an assumed average intrastate access minutes will be used to determine Carrier Common Line Access charges. These assumed access minutes are as set forth in Section 17 of this tariff.

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3.8 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

3.8.4 Percent Intrastate Use (PIU)

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of in-service Switched Access Service, Carrier Common Line charges will be billed only to intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes based on the data reported by the customer as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding (Jurisdictional Reports), except where the Telephone Company is billing according to actuals by jurisdiction. Intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes will, after adjustment as set forth in 3.6 preceding (Resale), when necessary, be used to determine Carrier Common Line Charges as set forth in 3.8.5 following.

3.8.5 <u>Determination of Charges</u>

After the adjustments as set forth in 3.6.1 and 3.8.4 preceding have been applied, when necessary, to Switched Access Service access minutes, charges for the involved customer account will be determined as follows:

- (A) Access minutes for all Switched Access Service subject to Carrier Common Line charges will be multiplied by the Access per minute rate as set forth in 17.1.1 following.
- (B) Terminating Access per minute charge(s) apply to:
 - all terminating access minutes of use;
 - less those terminating access minutes of use associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

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- 3.8 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 3.8.5 <u>Determination of Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) The originating Access per minute charge(s) apply to:
 - all originating access minutes of use;
 - less those originating access minutes of use associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 5 Access Ordering

5.1 General

This section sets forth the regulations and order related charges for services set forth in other sections of this tariff. Order related charges are in addition to other applicable charges for the services provided.

An Access Order is an order to provide the customer with Switched Access, Special Access (Private Line Service) or Access Related Service or to provide changes to existing services.

The regulations, rates, and charges for special construction are set forth in Section 16, Special Construction, of this tariff and are in addition to the regulations, rates, and charges specified in this section.

A customer may order any number of services of the same type and between the same premises on a single Access Order. All details for services for a particular order must be identical except for those for multipoint service.

The customer shall provide to the Telephone Company the order information required in 5.2 following, and in addition the customers must also provide:

- Customer name and premise address(es).
- Billing name and address (when different from customer name and address).
- Customer contact name(s) and telephone number(s) for the following provisioning activities: order negotiation, order confirmation, interactive design, installation and billing.

5.1.1 Service Installation

The Telephone Company will provide the Service in accordance with the customer's requested service date, subject to the constraints established by the Telephone Company schedule of applicable service dates.

The Telephone Company shall make available to all customers, upon request, a schedule of applicable service intervals. The schedule shall specify the applicable service interval for services and the quantities of services that can be provided by a requested service date. Any associated material will be provided upon request and within a reasonable period of time.

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5.1 <u>General</u> (Cont'd)

5.1.1 <u>Service Installation</u> (Cont'd)

The Telephone Company will not accept orders for service dates which exceed the applicable service date by more than six months.

Services will be installed during Telephone Company business days. If a customer requests that installation be done outside of scheduled work hours, and the Telephone Company agrees to this request, the customer will be subject to applicable Additional Labor Charges as set forth in Section 17.

5.1.2 Expedited Orders

When placing an Access Order, a customer may request a service date that is prior to the applicable service date. Additionally, a customer may also request an earlier service date on a pending Order. In this case, an access order modification as set forth in 5.4 following would be required. If the Telephone Company determines that the service can be provided on the requested date and that additional labor cost or extraordinary costs are required to meet the requested service date, the customer will be notified and will be provided with an estimate of the additional charges involved. Charges will be billed at actual cost, not to exceed 10 percent over estimated charges. Such additional charges will be determined and billed to the customer as explained following.

To calculate the additional labor charges, the Telephone Company will, upon authorization from the customer to incur the additional labor charges, keep track of the additional labor hours used to meet the request of the customer and will bill the customer at the applicable Additional Labor charges as set forth in Section 17 following.

To develop, determine and bill the customer the extraordinary costs which may be involved, the Special Construction terms and conditions as set forth in Section 16, Special Construction, of this tariff will be used by the Telephone Company. Authorization to incur the costs and to bill the customer will be in accordance with such tariffs.

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5.1 General (Cont'd)

5.1.2 <u>Expedited Orders</u> (Cont'd)

When the request for expediting occurs subsequent to the issuance of the Access Order, a Service Date Change Charge as set forth in Section 17 following also applies.

5.2 Ordering Requirements

5.2.1 Switched Access Service

(A) Feature Group A

Orders for Feature Group A Switched Access Service shall be in lines.

When placing an order for Feature Group A Switched Access Service, the customer shall provide the following information in addition to that set forth in 5.1 preceding:

- The number of lines and the first point of switching (i.e., Dial Tone Office)
- Optional Features
- Whether the Off-hook Supervisory Signaling is provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers, or is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers
- Lines to be provided as single lines
- Lines to be arranged in multiline hunt group arrangements
- Directionality (1-way, 2-way, etc.)
- A projected percentage of intrastate use (PIU) as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding

(B) Feature Group B

Orders for Feature Group B Switched Access Service shall be in trunks.

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5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

(B) Feature Group B (Cont'd)

When placing an order for Feature Group B Service, the customer shall provide the following information in addition to that set forth in 5.1 preceding:

- The number of trunks
- The end office, when direct routing is desired
- The access tandem office when tandem routing is desired
- Optional Features
- Trunks to be provided as single trunks
- Trunks to be arranged in trunk group arrangements
- Directionality (1-way, 2-way, etc.)
- A projected percentage of intrastate use (PIU) as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding
- The Interexchange Carrier to which the service is connected.
- The access code dialing arrangement (i.e., a uniform access code of 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX
- For Feature Group B switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer shall provide information to the Telephone Company indicating the NXX code(s) to be accessed.

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5.2 Order Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

- (C) <u>Feature Group C, Feature Group D and Interim NXX Translation</u>
 When placing an order for Feature Group C and D Switched Access Service, the customer shall provide:
 - The number of BHMC from the customer designated premises to the end office by Feature Group and by type of BHMC, or
 - For customers other than providers of MTS/WATS, the number of trunks desired between customer designated premises and an entry switch.
 - Optional Features
 - Interim NXX Translation options.
 - A projected percentage of intrastate use (PIU) as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding.
 - For Feature Group D switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer shall provide information to the Telephone Company indicating the NXX code(s) to be accessed.

When BHMC information is provided it is used to determine the number of transmission paths as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

The BHMC may be determined by the customer in the following manner. For each day (8 am to 11 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding national holidays), the customer shall determine the highest number of minutes of use for a single hour (e.g., 55 minutes in the 10-11 AM hour). The customer shall, for the same hour period (i.e., busy hour) for each of twenty consecutive business days, pick the twenty consecutive business days in a calendar year which add up to the largest number of minutes of use. Both originating and terminating minutes shall be included. The customer shall then determine the average busy hour minutes of capacity (i.e., BHMC) by dividing the largest number of minutes of use figure for the same hour period for the consecutive twenty business day period by 20. This computation shall be performed for each end office the customer wishes to serve. These determinations thus establish the forecasted BHMC for each end office.

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5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Feature Group C, Feature Group D and Interim NXX Translation</u> (Cont'd)

Customers other than MTS/WATS providers may, at their option, order FGD by specifying the number of trunks desired between customer designated premises and an end office or access tandem. When ordering by trunk quantities rather than BHMC quantities to an access tandem, the customer must also provide the Telephone Company an estimate of the amount of traffic it will generate to and/or from each end office subtending the access tandem to assist the Telephone Company in its own efforts to project further facility requirements.

When Feature Group C or D is ordered with the Interim NXX Translation optional feature, the customer shall specify the Service Access Code(s) (e.g., 900) and their associated NXX code(s) to be translated within the entire LATA or Market Area. The initial and subsequent orders to add, change, or delete Interim NXX Translation codes shall be placed separately or in combination with orders to change Feature Group C or D Switched Access BHMC or trunks. Customer assigned NXX codes which have not been ordered will be blocked.

Orders for the Interim NXX Translation optional feature shall not be required until such time as a customer other than an MTS/WATS provider requests Interim NXX Translation of Service Access Codes. Upon receipt of such order, the Telephone Company shall notify the MTS/WATS provider of the activation of the Interim NXX Translation Service for the Service Access Code. Following such initial activation, all customers are required to place orders for Interim NXX Translation of the Service Access Code and the Interim NXX Translation charge for the Service Access Code shall apply as set forth in Section 17 following.

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5.2 <u>Ordering Requirements</u> (Cont'd)

5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

(D) SS7 Optional Feature

For 800/888 Database Access Service, as described in Section 6 following, the customer must order FGC or FGD to those access tandems or end offices designated as Service Switching Points (SSP) for 800/888 Database Service. Direct trunk routes can only be provided from end offices equipped to query centralized databases. All traffic originating from end offices not equipped to provide SS7 signaling and routing require routing via an access tandem where SSP functionality is available.

(E) <u>Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI) Optional</u> <u>Feature</u>

For the Flexible Number Identification optional feature the customer shall place one order for each Carrier Identification Code (CIC) per end office, for all end offices equipped to provide Flex ANI. See section 6.1.3 (C)(4) for a description of Flex ANI and service availability.

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5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.2 Miscellaneous Services

Testing Service, Additional Labor, Telecommunications Service Priority and Special Facilities Routing shall be ordered with an Access Order or may subsequently be added to a pending order at any time up to and including the service date for the access service. When miscellaneous services are added to a pending order, a service date change may be required. When a service date change is required, the service date change charge as set forth in 17.3.1(B) following will apply. When miscellaneous services are added to a pending order, charges for a design change as set forth in 17.3.1(C) following will apply when an engineering review is required. If both a service date change and an engineering review are required, both the Service Date Change Charge and the Design Change Charge will apply as set forth in 5.4.3(B) following.

The rates and charges for these services, as set forth in Section 17. of this tariff, will apply in addition to the ordering charges set forth in Section 17. and the rates and charges for the Access Service with which they are associated.

Additional Engineering is not an ordering option, but will be applied to an Access Order when the Telephone Company determines that Additional Engineering is necessary to accommodate a customer request. Additional Engineering will only be required as set forth in 13.1 following. When it is required, the customer will be so notified and will be furnished with a written statement setting forth the justification for the Additional Engineering as well as an estimate of the charges. If the customer agrees to the Additional Engineering, a firm order will be established. If the customer does not want the service or facilities after being notified that Additional Engineering of Telephone Company facilities is required, the order will be withdrawn and no charges will apply. Once a firm order has been established, the total charge to the customer for the Additional Engineering may not exceed the estimated amount by more than 10%.

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5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.3 Special Access Service

When placing an order for Special Access Service the customer must specify:

- the customer designated premises or hubs involved
- type of service (e.g., Voice Grade, High Capacity, etc.)
- the channel interface(s)
- technical specification package
- options desired
- for multipoint services, the channel interface at each customer designated premises may, at the request of the customer, be different but all such interfaces shall be compatible.
- that the traffic consists of more than ten percent interstate traffic.

Where the Special Access Service is exempt from the Special Access Surcharge, as set forth in 7.3 following the customer shall furnish written certification to that effect as set forth in 7.3.3 following.

The Telephone Company will assist the customer to ensure that the required information needed to produce the order is completed. This may require discussions with Telephone Company engineering personnel to ensure that service requests are compatible with what the Company can provide.

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5.2 <u>Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)</u>

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

Effective July 1, 1996, multiple company billing is required when Private Line Services are jointly provided by multiple companies. Multiple company billing will employ the multiple bill method. The company taking the service order from the end-user must notify the customer of:

- the Company(s) that will render the bill(s)
- the Company(s) to whom payment(s) should be remitted, and
- the Company(s) that will provide the bill inquiry function.

The Company shall provide such notification at the time that orders are placed for access service. Additionally, the Company shall provide this notice in writing 30 days in advance of any changes.

The Company will include on the bill, based upon Industry Standards as described in the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing Guidelines and the Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design Guidelines, cross reference(s) to the other Company(s) service and the common circuit identifiers. Should a billing dispute arise, the Terms and Conditions as outlined in Section 2.4.7.D, 2.4.1.D, and 2.4.1.E of this tariff will apply.

Charges for ordering Special Access Services are found in section 17.3.

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5.3 Access Orders For Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company

Access Services provided by more than one Telephone Company are services where one end of the Local Transport, Directory Transport or Channel Mileage element is in the operating territory of one Telephone Company and the other end of the element is in the operating territory of a different Telephone Company or where the Interim NXX Translation service and the end office are not provided by the same Telephone Company.

The ordering procedure for this service is dependent upon the billing arrangement, as set forth in 2.4.7 preceding, to be used by the Telephone Companies involved in providing the Access Service. The Telephone Company will notify the customer which of the ordering procedures will apply.

5.3.1 Non Meet Point Billing Ordering - FGA

(A) Single Company Billing Ordering

The Telephone Company receiving the order from the customer will arrange to provide the service and bill the customer as set forth in 2.4.7(A)(1). The customer will place the order with the Telephone Company as follows:

For FGA Switched Access Service the customer will place the order with the Telephone Company in whose territory the first point of switching is located. The first point of switching is the dial tone office.

When the first point of switching is not in the same Telephone Company's territory as the Interexchange Carrier premises, the customer must supply a copy of the order to the Telephone Company in whose territory the Interexchange Carrier premises is located and any other Telephone Company(s) involved in providing the service.

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5.3 Access Orders For Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

5.3.2 Meet Point Billing Ordering

Each Telephone Company will provide its portion of the Access Service within its operating territory to an interconnection point(s) with the other Telephone Company(s). Billing Percentages will be determined by the Telephone Companies involved in providing the Access Service and listed in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4. Each Telephone Company will bill the customer for its portion of the service as set forth in 2.4.7(A). All other appropriate charges in each Telephone Company tariff are applicable.

In addition to the service ordering provisions following, the customer must also provide a copy of the order to any other Telephone Company(s) involved in providing the service.

- (A) For Feature Group A and B Switched Access Services, the customer must place an order with the Telephone Company in whose territory the first point of switching is located, (i.e., FGA dial tone office, FGB - access tandem or end office).
- (B) For Feature Group C and D Switched Access Services, the customer must place an order with the Telephone Company in whose territory the end office is located. Customers other than MTS/WATS providers may, at their option, order FGD to the access tandem. When ordered to the access tandem, and the access tandem and the end office are not in the same Telephone Company operating territory, the customer must also supply a copy of the order to each additional Telephone Company subtending the access tandem.

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5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering

5.4.1 Access Order Charge

The Access Order Charge is applied to all customer requests for new Switched Access Service. In addition, the Access Order Charge is applicable to customer requests for additions, changes or rearrangements to existing Switched Access Service with the following exceptions:

The Access Order Charge does not apply:

- When a Service Date Change Charge is applicable.
- When a Design Change Charge is applicable.
- To administrative changes as set forth in 6.4.1(B)(3) following.
- When a change to a pending order does not result in the cancellation of the pending order and the issuance of a new order.
- When the Interim NXX Translation charge is applicable.
- When a Miscellaneous Service Order Charge is applicable.
- When a Presubscription charge is applicable.
- When a Telephone Company initiated network reconfiguration requires a customer's existing access service to be reconfigured.
- When a Billing Name and Address (BNA) charge is applicable.
- When Payphone Service Providers (PSPs) obtain Coin Supervision Additive Service in conjunction with local exchange service lines for the provision of pay telephone service.

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5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4.1 Access Order Charge (Cont'd)

The Access Order Charge will be applied on a per order basis to each order received by the Telephone Company or copy of an order received by the Telephone Company pursuant to 5.3.1 preceding and 5.3.2 preceding, except by the Telephone Company applying the Interim NXX Translation charge, and is in addition to other applicable charges as set forth in this and other sections of this tariff.

5.4.2 Miscellaneous Service Order Charge

A Miscellaneous Service Order Charge, as set forth in 17.3.1(D) following, applies to any service, or combination of services ordered simultaneously from Section 13. of this Tariff for which a service order is not already pending. The Miscellaneous Service Order Charge is an administrative charge designed to compensate for the expenses associated with service order issuance.

The charge always applies to the following services since a pending service order would not exist:

- Overtime Repair,
- Standby Repair,
- Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies other than when in conjunction with Acceptance Testing,
- Other Labor.
- Maintenance of Service.
- Originating Line Screening (OLS) Service

The Miscellaneous Service Order Charge will also apply to the following services if they are ordered subsequent to the initial installation of the associated access service, thereby necessitating the issuance of another service order:

- Telecommunications Service Priority.
- Controller Arrangement

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5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4.1 <u>Access Order Charge</u> (Cont'd)

The charge does not apply to the following services since there would exist a pending service order:

- Additional Engineering,
- Overtime Installation,
- Standby Acceptance Testing,
- Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies when in conjunction with Acceptance Testing,
- Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing,
- Coin supervision Additive Service.

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5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4.3 Access Order Change Charges

Access Order changes involve service date changes and design changes. The customer may request a change of its Access Order prior to the service date. The Telephone Company will make every effort to accommodate a requested change when it is able to do so with the normal work force assigned to complete such an order within normal business hours. If the change cannot be made with the normal work force during normal business hours, the Telephone Company will notify the customer. If the customer still desires the Access Order change, the Telephone Company will schedule a new service date as set forth in 5.1.2 preceding. All charges for Access Order change as set forth in Section 17 will apply on a per occurrence basis.

Any increase in the number of Switched Access Service lines, trunks or busy hour minutes of capacity will be treated as a new Access Order (for the increased amount only).

(A) Service Date Change

The customer may request a change of service date on a pending Access Order prior to the service date. A change of service date is a change of the scheduled service date by the customer to either an earlier date or a later date which does not exceed 30 calendar days from the original service date.

If the Telephone Company determines that the customer's request can be accommodated without delaying the service dates for orders of other customers, the service date will be changed and the Service Date Change Charge, as set forth in Section 17 following, will be applied to the order.

If the service date is changed to an earlier date, and the Telephone Company determines additional labor or extraordinary costs are necessary to meet the earlier service date requested by the customer, the customer will be notified by the Telephone Company that Expedited Order Charges as set forth in 5.1.2 preceding apply. Such charges will apply in addition to the Service Date Change Charge.

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5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4.3 Access Order Change Charges (Cont'd)

(A) Service Date Change (Cont'd)

If the requested service date exceeds 30 calendar days following the original service date, and the Telephone Company determines that the customer's request can be accommodated, the Telephone Company will cancel the original order and apply the Cancellation Charges as set forth in 5.5.3 following. A new Access Order with a new service date will be issued. The Service Date Change Charge will not apply, however, the Access Order Charge will apply to the new order.

If the service date is changed due to a design change as set forth in (B) following, the Service Date Change Charge will apply.

(B) Design Change

The customer may request a design change to the service ordered prior to the requested service date. A design change is any change to an Access Order which requires engineering An engineering review is a review by Telephone Company personnel, of the service ordered and the requested changes to determine what changes in the design, if any, are necessary to meet the changes requested by the customer. Design changes include such things as the addition or deletion of optional features or functions or a change in the type of Transport Termination (Switched Access only), type of channel interface, type of Interface Group or technical specification package. Design changes do not include a change of customer designated premises, first point of switching, or Feature Group type. Changes of this nature will require the issuance of a new order and the cancellation of the original order with appropriate cancellation charges applied.

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 - 5.4.3 Access Order Change Charges (Cont'd)
 - (B) Design Change (Cont'd)

The Telephone Company will review the requested change, notify the customer whether the change is a design change, if the change can be accommodated and if a new service date is required. If the customer authorizes the Telephone Company to proceed with the design change, a Design Change Charge as set forth in Section 17 following will apply in addition to the charge for Additional Engineering as set forth in Section 17 following. If a change of service date is required, the Service Date Change Charge as set forth in Section 17 following will also apply. The Access Order Charge as specified in Section 17 following does not apply.

Minimum Periods and Cancellations 5.5

5.5.1 Reserved For Future Use

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5.5.2 **Development of Minimum Period Charges**

> When Access Service is disconnected after commencement of service but prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable for the balance of the minimum period. A disconnect constitutes facilities being returned to available inventory.

> The Minimum Period Charge for monthly billed services will be determined as follows:

> For Switched Access Service, the charge for a month or fraction (A) thereof is equal to the applicable recurring charges plus any nonrecurring and/or special construction charge(s) that may be due.

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Minimum Period and Cancellations (Cont'd) 5.5

5.5.3 Cancellation of an Access Order

- (A) A customer may cancel an Access Order for the installation of service on any date prior to the service date. The cancellation date is the date the Telephone Company receives written or verbal notice from the customer that the order is to be cancelled. The verbal notice must be followed by written confirmation within 10 days. If a customer or a customer's end user is unable to accept Access Service within 30 calendar days after the original service date, the customer has the choice of the following options:
 - The Access Order shall be cancelled and charges set forth in (B) following will apply or,
 - Billing for the service will commence.

In such instances, the cancellation date or the billing date, depending on which option is selected by the customer, shall be the 31st day beyond the original service date of the Access

- (B) When a customer cancels an Access Order for the installation of service, a Cancellation Charge will apply as follows:
 - Installation of Switched Access Service facilities is (1) considered to have started when the Telephone Company incurs any cost in connection therewith or in preparation thereof which would not otherwise have been incurred.
 - (2) Where the customer cancels an Access Order prior to the start of installation of access facilities, no charges shall apply.

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Minimum Period and Cancellations (Cont'd) 5.5

5.5.3 Cancellation of an Access Order (Cont'd)

- (B) (3) Where installation of access facilities has been started prior to the cancellation, the charges specified in (a) or (b) following, whichever is lower, shall apply.
 - (a) A charge equal to the costs incurred in such installation, less estimated net salvage. Such costs include the nonrecoverable cost of equipment and material ordered, provided or used, plus the nonrecoverable cost of installation and removal including the costs of engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights-of-way and other associated costs;
 - (b) The charge for the minimum period of Switched Access Service ordered by the customer.
- (C) When a customer cancels an order for the discontinuance of service, no charges apply for the cancellation.
- (D) If the Telephone Company misses a service date by more than 30 days and such delay is not requested or caused by the customer (excluding those circumstances where the date is missed due to acts of God, governmental requirements, work stoppages and civil commotions), the customer may cancel the Access Order without incurring cancellation charges.

5.5.4 Partial Cancellation Charge

Any decrease in the number of ordered Switched Access Service lines, trunks or busy hour minutes of capacity will be treated as a partial cancellation and charges will be determined as set forth in 5.5.3(B) preceding.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 6 Switched Access Service

6.1 General

Switched Access Service, which is available to customers for their use in furnishing their services to end users, provides a two-point communications path between a customer designated premises and an end user's premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching, and trunking facilities and for the use of common subscriber plant of the Telephone Company. Switched Access Service provides for the ability to originate calls from an end user's premises to a customer designated premises, and to terminate calls from a customer designated premises to an end user's premises in the LATA where it is provided. Specific references to material describing the elements of Switched Access Service are provided in 6.1.3 and 6.5 through 6.9 following.

Rates and charges for Switched Access Service are set forth in 17.2 following. The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in 6.4 following. Rates and charges for services other than Switched Access Service, e.g., a customer's interLATA toll message service, may also be applicable when Switched Access Service is used in conjunction with these other services. Descriptions of such applicability are provided in 6.4.5, 6.4.9, 6.5.1(H), 6.5.3, 6.6.1(G), 6.6.2(D), 6.7.1(F), and 6.8.1(E) following. Finally, a credit is applied against line side Switched Access Service charges as described in 6.4.8 following.

6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements

(A) <u>Description</u>

Switched Access Service is provided in four different Feature Group arrangements which are service categories of standard and optional features. These are differentiated by their technical characteristics, e.g., line side vs. trunk side connection at the Telephone Company first point of switching. They are also differentiated by optional feature availability and the manner in which the end user accesses them in originating calling, e.g., with or without access codes of various lengths and digits.

The provision of each Feature Group requires Local Transport facilities, including an Entrance Facility where required and the appropriate End Office functions.

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There are three specific transmission specifications (i.e., Types A, B and C) that have been identified for the provision of Feature Groups. The specifications provided are dependent on the Interface Group and the routing of the service, i.e., whether the service is routed directly to the end office or via an access tandem. The parameters for the transmission specifications are set forth in 15.1.2 following.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)

Feature Groups are arranged for either originating, terminating or two-way calling, based on the customer end office switching capacity ordered. Originating calling permits the delivery of calls from Telephone Exchange Service locations to the customer designated premises. Terminating calling permits the delivery of calls from the customer designated premises to Telephone Exchange Service locations. Two-way calling permits the delivery of calls in both directions, but not simultaneously. The Telephone Company will determine the type of calling to be provided unless the customer requests that a different type of directional calling is to be provided. In such cases, the Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the directionality.

There are various optional features associated with Local Transport, Common Switching and Transport Termination available with the Feature Groups. In addition, the Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service optional features are available with Feature Group C and Feature Group D.

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(B) <u>Manner of Provision</u>

Switched Access is furnished in either quantities of lines or trunks, or in busy hour minutes of capacity (BHMCs). FGA Access and FGB Access are furnished on a per-line or per-trunk basis respectively. FGC Access and FGD Access are furnished on a BHMC basis. FGD may also be provided to customers other than MTS/WATS providers on a per trunk basis as set forth in 5.2 preceding.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.1 <u>Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)

(A) Description (Cont'd)

The Common Switching and Transport Termination optional features, which are described in 6.9 following, unless specifically stated otherwise, as available at all Telephone Company end office switches.

(B) Manner of Provision

Switched Access is furnished in either quantities of lines or trunks, or in busy hour minutes of capacity (BHMCs). FGA Access and FGB Access are furnished on a per-line or per-trunk basis respectively. FGC Access and FGD Access are furnished on a BHMC basis. FGD may also be provided to customers other than MTS/WATS providers on a per trunk basis as set forth in 5.2 preceding.

BHMCs are differentiated by type and directionality of traffic carried over a Switched Access Service arrangement. Differentiation or traffic among BHMC types is necessary for the Telephone Company to properly design Switched Access Service to meet the traffic carrying capacity requirement of the customer.

There are two major BHMC categories identified as: Originating and Terminating. Originating BHMCs represent access capacity within a LATA for carrying traffic from the end user to the customer; Terminating BHMCs represent access capacity within a LATA for carrying traffic from the customer to the end user. When ordering capacity for FGC Access or FGD Access in BHMCs, the customer must at a minimum specify such access capacity in terms of Originating BHMCs and/or Terminating BHMCs.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)

(B) Manner of Provision (Cont'd)

BHMCs are differentiated by type and directionality of traffic carried over a Switched Access Service arrangement. Differentiation of traffic among BHMC types is necessary for the Telephone Company to properly design Switched Access Service to meet the traffic carrying capacity requirement of the customer.

There are two major BHMC categories identified as: Originating and Terminating. Originating BHMCs represent access capacity within a LATA for carrying traffic from the end user to the customer; Terminating BHMCs represent access capacity within a LATA for carrying traffic from the customer to the end user. When ordering capacity for FGC Access or FGD Access in BHMCs, the customer must at a minimum specify such access capacity in terms of Originating BHMCs and/or Terminating BHMCs.

Because some customers will wish to further segregate their originating traffic into separate trunk groups, or because segregation may be required by network considerations originating BHMCs are further categorized into Domestic, 800/888/877, 900, Operator and IDDD. Domestic BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying only domestic traffic other than 800/888/877, 900 and Operator traffic; IDDD BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying only international traffic; and, 800/888/877, 900 and Operator BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying, respectively, only 800/888/877, 900 or Operator traffic. When ordering such types of access capacity, the customer must specify Domestic, 800/888/877, 900, Operator or IDDD BHMCs.

6.1.2 Ordering Options and Conditions

Switched Access Service is ordered under the Access Order provisions set forth in 5.2 preceding. Also, included in that section are regulations concerning miscellaneous service order charges which may be associated with Switched Access Service ordering (e.g., Service Date Changes, Cancellations, etc.).

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories

There are four rate categories which apply to Switched Access Service:

- Local Transport (described in 6.1.3(A) following)
- End Office (described in 6.1.3(B) following)
- Chargeable Optional Features (described in 6.1.3(C) following)
- Common Line (described in Section 3. preceding)

The following diagram depicts a generic view of the components of Switched Access Service and the manner in which the components are combined to provide a complete Access Service.

SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE Customer Customer Serving Designated End User End Office Direct Trunked Transport Wire Center Premises Tandem Switched Transport Direct Trunked Transport EO LOCAL TRANSPORT RIC CL - Common Line Direct Trunked Transport EO - End Office - Direct Trunked Facility EF - Entrance Facility - Direct Trunked Termination RIC - Residual Interconnection Charge Tandem Switched Transport - Tandem Switched Facility - Tandem Switched Termination - Tandem Switching * Common Line Access Service is provided under Section 3. Preceding

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

Rate Categories (Cont'd) 6.1.3

(A) **Local Transport**

The Local Transport rate category establishes the charges related to the transmission and tandem switching facilities between the customer designated premises and the end office switch(es) where the customer's traffic is switched to originate or terminate the customer's communications. For purposes of determining Local Transport Facility measurement, distance will be measured from the wire center that normally serves the customer designated premises to the end office switch(es), which may be a Remote Switching Module(s). Exceptions to the Local Transport Facility measurement rules are set forth in 6.4.6 following and in this section.

Local Transport is a two-way voice frequency transmission path composed of facilities determined by the Telephone Company. The two-way voice frequency transmission path permits the transport of calls in the originating direction (from the end user end office switch to the customer designated premises) and in the terminating direction (from the customer designated premises to the end office switch), but not simultaneously. The voice frequency transmission path may be comprised of any form or configuration of plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for the transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz. The customer must specify the choice of facilities (i.e., Voice Grade 2 or 4 wire or High Capacity DS1 or DS3) to be used in the provision of Direct Trunked Transport or Entrance Facility.

The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer in determining (1) whether the service is to be directly routed to an end office switch or through an access tandem switch, (2) the directionality of the service and (3) the type of

Direct Trunked Transport and whether it will overflow to Tandem Switched Transport when service is directly routed to an end office, (4) the type of Entrance Facility, and (5) when multiplexing is required, the hub(s) at which the multiplexing will be provided. Local Transport rates are found in Section 17.2. Where the

Telephone Company elects to provide equal access through a centralized equal access arrangement, the Telephone Company will designate the serving wire center. Those Telephone Company offices providing equal access through centralized arrangements are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

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6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

Additionally, when service is to be routed through a Telephone Company access tandem switch, the customer must order the facility between the serving wire center and the tandem as Direct Trunked Transport.

When the customer has both Tandem Switched Transport and Direct Trunked Transport at the same end office, the customer will be provided Alternate Traffic routing as set forth in 6.4.6 following.

Direct Trunked Transport is available at all tandems and at all end offices except those identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 as not having the capability to provide Direct Trunked Transport. Direct Trunked Transport is not available: (1) from end offices that provide equal access through a centralized equal access arrangement, (2) from end offices that lack recording or measurement capability, and (3) for originating 800/888/877 calls from non-Service Switching Point (SSP) equipped end offices that can not accommodate direct trunking of originating 800/888/877 calls.

Unless otherwise ordered by the F.C.C., where the Telephone Company elects to provide equal access through a centralized equal access arrangement, the Telephone Company will designate the serving wire center. The designated SWC will normally be that wire center which provides dial tone to the telephone company centralized Equal Access tandem office identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4. When service is provided in cooperation with a non telephone company provider of centralized Equal Access, the SWC will be that wire center which would normally provide dial tone to the telephone company point of interconnection with the non telephone company provider of Centralized Equal Access specified in the tariff of the centralized Equal Access provider. Those Telephone Company offices providing equal access through centralized arrangements are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC., TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

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The Local Transport Rate Category includes five classes of rate elements: (1) Entrance Facility, (2) Direct Trunked Transport, (3) Tandem Switched Transport, and (4) Multiplexing.

(1) Entrance Facility

The Entrance Facility recovers a portion of the costs associated with the communications path between a customer designated premises and the serving wire center of that premises. Included as part of the Entrance Facility is a standard channel interface arrangement which defines the technical characteristics associated with the type of facilities to which the access service is to be connected at the customer designated premises and the type of signaling capability, if any.

Three types of Entrance Facility are available:

- Voice Grade 2 or 4 wire (an analog channel with an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 hz),
- High Capacity DS1 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 1.544 Mbps),
- High Capacity DS3 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 44.736 Mbps).

The minimum period for which a DS3 Entrance Facility is provided is twelve months.

One charge applies for each Entrance Facility that is terminated at a customer designated premises. This charge will apply even if the customer designated premises and the serving wire center are collocated in a Telephone Company building.

A customer's Local Transport may be connected to the Entrance Facility of another customer, providing the other customer submits a Letter of Authorization for this connection and assumes full responsibility for the cost of the Entrance Facility.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

(2) Direct Trunked Transport

The Direct-Trunked Transport rate elements recover a portion of the cost associated with a communications path on circuits dedicated to the use of a single customer between:

- the serving wire center and an end office,
- the serving wire center and a tandem,
- the serving wire center and a hub,
- a hub and an end office,
- the serving wire center where add/drop multiplexing functions are performed,

Direct Trunked Transport is required at all tandems and is available to all end offices except those identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION as not having the capability to provide Direct Trunked Transport.

Direct Trunked Transport is not available: (1) from end offices that provide equal access through a centralized equal access arrangement, (2) from end offices that lack recording or measurement capability, and (3) for originating 800/888/877 calls from non-Service Switching Point (SSP) equipped end offices that can not accommodate direct trunking of originating 800/888/877 calls.

Three types of Direct-Trunked Transport are available:

- (1) Voice Grade (an analog channel with an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz),
- (2) High Capacity DS1 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 1.544 Mbps),
- (3) High Capacity DS3 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 44.736 Mbps),

The minimum period for which a High Capacity DS3 is provided is twelve months.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)

(2) <u>Direct Trunked Transport</u> (Cont'd)

High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Transport can not be terminated at end offices that are not identified as hub offices that provide DS3 to DS1 multiplexing. Additionally, DS1 Direct Trunked Transport can not be terminated at end offices that are not identified as hub offices that provide DS1 to Voice Grade multiplexing or are not electronic end offices. Offices that provide multiplexing are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION.

Direct Trunked Transport rates consist of a Direct Trunked Facility rate which is applied on a per mile basis and a Direct Trunked Termination rate which is applied at each end of each measured segment of the Direct Trunked Facility (e.g., at the end office, hub, tandem and serving wire center). When the Direct Trunked Facility mileage is zero, neither the Direct Trunked Facility rate nor the Direct Trunked Termination rate will apply.

The Direct Trunked Facility rate recovers a portion of the costs of the transmission facilities, including intermediate transmission circuit equipment, between the end points of the interoffice circuits.

The Direct Trunked Termination rate recovers a portion of the costs of the circuit equipment that is necessary for the termination of each end of the Direct Trunked Facility.

(3) Tandem Switched Transport

The Tandem Switched Transport rate elements recover a portion of the costs associated with the communications path between the tandem and the end office on circuits that are switched at a tandem switch. Tandem Switched Transport consists of circuits used in common by multiple customers from the tandem to the end office.

Tandem Switched Transport rates consist of a Tandem Switching rate, a Tandem Switched Facility rate and a Tandem Switched Termination rate.

The Tandem Switching rate recovers a portion of the costs of switching traffic through an access tandem. The Tandem Switching rate specified in 17.2.2 following is applied on a per access minute per tandem basis for all originating and all terminating minutes of use switched at the tandem. Tandem locations are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

Rate Categories (Cont'd) 6.1.3

(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

(3) Tandem Switched Transport (Cont'd)

The Tandem Switched Facility rate recovers a portion of the costs of the transmission facilities, including intermediate transmission circuit equipment, between the end points of the interoffice circuits. The Tandem Switched Facility rate specified in 17.2.2 following is applied on a per access minute per mile basis for all originating and terminating minutes of use routed over the facility

The Tandem Switched Termination rate recovers a portion of the costs of the circuit equipment that is necessary for the termination of each end of the Tandem Switched Facility. The Tandem Switched Termination rate specified in 17.2.2 following is applied on a per access minute basis (for all originating and terminating minutes of use routed over the facility) at each end of each measured segment of Tandem Switched Facility (e.g., at the end office, Feature Group A dial tone office, host office, remote office, tandem, and serving wire center). When the Tandem Switched Facility mileage is zero, neither the Tandem Switched Facility rate nor the Tandem Switched Termination rate will apply.

The Tandem Switched Termination rate is applied as follows:

for FGA when the Tandem Switched Facility is measured between the end office and the IC serving wire center, the Tandem Switched Termination rate is applied at the end office.

for FGA when the Tandem Switched Facility is measured between the first point of switching (i.e., dial tone office) and the IC serving wire center as set forth in 6.4.6(B) following, the Tandem Switched **Termination Rate** (T) is applied at the first point of switching (i.e., dial tone office).

for FGB, FGC and FGD when the Tandem Switched Facility is measured

between the end office and the IC serving wire center, the Tandem Switched Termination Rate is applied at the end office.

for FGB and FGD when the Tandem Switched Facility is measured between the access tandem and the IC serving wire center, as set forth in 6.4.6(E) following, the Tandem Switched Termination Rate is applied at the access tandem office.

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6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

The Tandem Switched Termination rate will also apply if the IC serving wire center and the end user serving wire center are collocated. The Tandem Switched Termination rate will apply to each access minute of switched access service.

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The Tandem Switched Facility rate provides for the frequency transmission path and for that portion of Local Transport which extends beyond the Telephone Company end office and includes both the physical (or derived) outside plant facilities and necessary transmission equipment (repeaters, etc.) including that which may be found at intermediate offices. The Tandem Switched Facility rate will not apply if the IC serving wire center and the end user serving wire center are collocated.

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(4) Multiplexing

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Multiplexing provides an arrangement for converting a single, higher capacity or bandwidth circuit to several lower capacity or bandwidth circuits.

When a derived channel is itself multiplexed to derive additional channels with a lesser capacity, this is referred to as cascade multiplexing. When cascade multiplexing occurs, a charge for the additional multiplexing is performed at different dubbing locations, Direct Trunked Transport charges also apply between the hubs.

DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing charges apply when a High Capacity DS3 Entrance Facility or Direct Trunked Facility is connected with High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Transport. The DS3 to DS1 multiplexer will convert a 44.736 Mpbs channel to 28 DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

DS1 to Voice Grade Multiplexing charges apply when a High Capacity DS1 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Facility is connected with Voice Grade Direct Trunked Transport. A DS1 to Voice Grade Multiplexing charge does not apply when a High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Facility is terminated at an electronic end office and only Switched Access Service is provided over the DS1 facility (i.e., Voice Grade Special Access channels are not derived). The DS1 to Voice multiplexer will convert a 1.544 Mbps channel to 24 Voice Grade channels.

Multiplexing is only available at wire centers identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, when more than one Telephone Company is involved in providing the Switched Access Service, the Local Transport rates are applied as set forth in 2.4.7 preceding.

Local Transport is provided at the rates and charges set forth in 17.2.2 following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

(1) Interface Groups

Ten Interface Groups are provided for terminating the Local Transport at the customer's designated premises. Technical specifications concerning the available interface groups are set forth in 15.1 following.

(2) Nonchargeable Optional Features

Where transmission facilities permit, the individual transmission path between the customer's designated premises and the first point of switching may at the option of the customer be provided with the following optional features as set forth and described in 15.1.1(E) following.

- Supervisory Signaling
- Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level
- Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

(3) <u>Chargeable Optional Features</u>

Common Channel Signaling, Signaling System 7 (CCS/SS7) Network Connection (CCSNC) Service provides a signaling path between a customer's designated Signaling Point of Interface (SPOI) and a Company's Signaling Transfer Point (STP). CCSNC is provided as set forth in this section.

800/888/877 Database Access Service is provided to all customer in conjunction with FGC and FGD switched access service. A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in the company's rate schedule, is assessed for each completed guery returned from the 800/888/877 database whether or not the actual call is delivered to the customer. The query is considered completed when the appropriate call routing information is returned to the Service Switching Point (SSP) that launched the query. The Basic Query provides the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of 800/888/877 calls by telephone companies to different interexchange carriers based on the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) in which the call originates. The Vertical Feature Query provides the same customer identification function in addition to vertical features which may include: (1) call validation (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of 800/888/877 numbers (which is generally necessary for the routing of 800/888/877 calls); (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing if 800/888/877 calls based on factors such as time of day, place of origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3).

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(B) End Office

The End Office rate category establishes the charges related to the local end office switching and end user termination functions necessary to complete the transmission of Switched Access communications to and from the end users served by the local end office. The End Office rate category includes the Local Switching and Information Surcharge rate elements.

(1) <u>Local Switching</u>

The Local Switching rate element establishes the charges related to the use of end office switching equipment, the terminations in the end office of end user lines, and the terminations of calls at Telephone Company Intercept Operators or recordings. The Local Switching charge is applicable to Feature Groups A, B, C, and D.

Local Switching does not apply to Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Services associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

Where end offices are appropriately equipped, international dialing may be provided as a capability associated with Local Switching which provides local dial switching for Feature Groups C and D. International dialing provides the capability of switching international calls with service prefix and address codes having more digits than are capable of being switched through a standard FGC or FGD equipped end office.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(B) End Office (Cont'd)

(1) <u>Local Switching</u> (Cont'd)

Rates for Local Switching are set forth in 17.2.3 following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

There are four types of functions included in the Local Switching rate element: Common Switching, Transport Termination, Line Termination and Intercept. These are described in (a) through (d) following.

(a) Common Switching

Common Switching provides the local end office switching functions associated with the various access (i.e., Feature Group) switching arrangements. The Common Switching arrangements provided for the various Feature Group arrangements are described in 6.5 through 6.9 following.

Included as part of Common Switching are various nonchargeable optional features which the customer can order to meet the customer's specific communications requirements. These optional features are described in 6.9.1 following.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

End Office (Cont'd) (B)

Local Switching (Cont'd) (1)

(b) **Transport Termination**

Transport Termination functions provide for the line or trunk side arrangements which terminate the Local Transport facilities. Included as part of these functions are various nonchargeable optional termination arrangements. These optional terminating arrangements are described in 6.9.2 following.

The number of Transport Terminations provided will be determined by the Telephone Company as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

(c) Line Termination

Line Termination provides for the terminations of end user lines in the local end office.

(d) Intercept

The Intercept function provides for the termination of a call at a Telephone Company Intercept operator or recording. operator or recording tells a caller why a call, as dialed, could not be completed, and if possible, provides the correct number.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(B) End Office (Cont'd)

(2) <u>Information Surcharge</u>

Information Surcharge rates are assessed to a customer based on the total number of access minutes. Information Surcharge rates are as set forth in 17.2.3(B) following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

The Information Surcharge does not apply to Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Services associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

The number of end office switching transmission paths will be determined as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

(C) Chargeable Optional Features

Where facilities permit, the Telephone Company will, at the option of the customer, provide the following chargeable optional feature:

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd) (C)

(1) Interim NXX Translation

The Interim NXX Translation rate element provides for customer identification of non-database services when calls are directed by end users in the 1+SAC+NXX-XXXX (e.g., 1+900+NXX-XXXX) format. The NXX codes are assigned to specific customers in conformance with the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). NXX code assignment(s) will be made by the Bellcore NANP Coordinator. The Telephone Company will use the NXX code to identify the customer to whose point of termination the traffic is to be delivered, (i.e., at appropriately equipped electronic end offices, access tandems or through contracted arrangements with other parties.) It is then the responsibility of the customer to do any further translation the customer deems necessary to route the call. Customer assigned NXX codes which have not been ordered will be blocked.

A nonrecurring charge, as set forth in 17.2.1 following, is associated with this optional feature. This nonrecurring charge is assessed by the Telephone Company on a per order, per LATA or Market Area basis and is applied in lieu of the Access Order Charge specified in 17.3.1(A) following. The nonrecurring charge is assessed only by the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function. A Telephone Company is said to have provided the final Interim NXX Translation when its translation identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation. The description and application of this charge with respect to Feature Group C and Feature Group D is as set forth in 6.4.1(B)(2) and 6.4.1(C) following.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)

(2) Operator Transfer Services

Operator Transfer Service may be provided with FGC or FGD Switched Access Service at a Company designated Operator Services location. Operator Transfer Service is an originating service. The rate is assessed per 0-call transferred to a customer's operator. An 0-call is considered transferred with the Company operator activates the switch transferring the call to the designated customer and the customer acknowledges receipt.

In addition to the Operator Transfer Service charge described above in 6.9.3(B) following, FGC or FGD Switched Access rates and charges as set forth in 6.7.1 and 6.8.1 following and Carrier Common Line charges set forth in the company's rate schedule will apply per minute of use for Operator Transfer Service.

Operator Transfer Service charges, provided for in this tariff, are applied only to those calls actually transferred by the Company to the customer's operator.

(3) 800/888/877 Database Access Service

800/888/877 Database Access Service is provided to all customers in conjunction with FGC and FGD switched access service. When a 1+800/888/877+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Company will utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to whom the call will be delivered and provide vertical features based on the dialed ten digits. The call will then be routed to the identified customer over FGC or FGD switched access.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

- 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 800/888/877 Database Access Service (Cont'd) (3)

A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in the concurring company's rate schedule, is assessed for each completed query returned from the 800/888/877 database identifying the customer to whom the call will be delivered whether or not the actual call is delivered to the customer. The guery is considered completed when the appropriate call routing information is returned to the Service Switching Point (SSP) that launched the query. The Basic Query provides the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of 800/888/877 calls by telephone companies to different interexchange carriers based on the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) in which the call originates. The Vertical Feature Query provides the same customer identification function in addition to vertical features which may include: (1) call validation (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of 800/888/877 numbers (which is generally necessary for the routing of 800/888/877 calls); (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing if 800/888/877 calls based on actors such as time of day, place of origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3).

The description and application of this charge with respect to Feature Group C and Feature Group D is as set forth in 6.7.1 and 6.8.1 following.)

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

Rate Categories (Cont'd) 6.1.3

(C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)

(4) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI)

The Flex ANI rate element provides for the addition of the Flex ANI feature to Feature Group D (FGD) trunk Groups. Flex ANI is a Common Switching optional feature that enhances the existing Automatic Number Identification (ANI) optional feature (described in 6.9.1(F) following) by allowing FGD customers to receive additional information digits. Flex ANI provides additional values for these information digits over and above the values currently available with ANI and will be used to identify additional call types, i.e., calls from WATS lines and private virtual networks. Flex ANI is available to customers with FGD Switched Access Service equipped with ANI.

6.1.4 **Special Facilities Routing**

Any customer may request that the facilities used to provide Switched Access Service be specially routed. The regulations for Special Facilities Routing (i.e., Avoidance, Diversity and Cable-Only) are set forth in Section 11. following.

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6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.5 Design Layout Report

At the request of the customer, the Telephone Company will provide to the customer the makeup of the facilities and services provided from the customer's premises to the first point of switching. This information will be provided in the form of a Design Layout Report. The Design Layout Report will be provided to the customer at no charge, and will be reissued or updated whenever these facilities are materially changed.

6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company

In addition to the obligations of the Telephone Company set forth in Section 2, preceding, the Telephone Company has certain other obligations concerning only the provision of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

6.2.1 **Network Management**

The Telephone Company will administer its network to insure the provision of acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Telephone Company's network services. Generally, service levels are considered acceptable only when both end users and customers are able to establish connections with little or no delay encountered within the Telephone Company network. The Telephone Company maintains the right to apply protective controls, i.e., those actions, such as call gapping, which selectively cancel the completion of traffic, over any traffic carried over its network, including that associated with a customer's Switched Access Service. Generally, such protective measures would only be taken as a result of occurrences such as failure or overload of Telephone Company or customer facilities, natural disasters, mass calling or national security demands. In the event that the protective controls applied by the Telephone Company result in the complete loss of service by the customer, the customer will be granted a Credit Allowance for Service Interruption as set forth in 2.4.4(B) preceding.

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6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

6.2.2 Transmission Specifications

Each Switched Access Service transmission path is provided with standard transmission specifications. There are three different standard specifications (Types A, B and C). The standard for a particular transmission path is dependent on the Feature Group, the Interface Group and whether the service is directly routed or via an access tandem. The available transmission specifications are set forth in 15.1.2 following. Data Transmission Parameters are also provided with each Switched Access Service transmission path. The Telephone Company will, upon notification by the customer that the data parameters set forth in 15.1.3 following are not being met, conduct tests independently or in cooperation with the customer, and take any necessary action to insure that the data parameters are met.

The Telephone Company will maintain existing transmission specifications on functioning service configurations installed prior to May 25, 1984, except that service configurations having performance specifications exceeding the standards set forth in 15.1.2 following will be maintained at the performance levels specified.

The transmission specifications concerning Switched Access Service are limits which, when exceeded, may require the immediate corrective action of the Telephone Company. The transmission specifications are set forth in 15.1.2 following. Acceptance limits are set forth in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000334. This Technical Reference also provides the basis for determining Switched Access Service maintenance limits.

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6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

6.2.3 Provision of Service Performance Data

Subject to availability, end-to-end service performance data available to the Telephone Company through its own service evaluation routines, may also be made available to the customer based on previously arranged intervals and format. These data provide information on overall end-to-end call completion and non-completion performance, e.g., customer equipment blockage, failure results and transmission performance. These data do not include service performance data which are provided under other tariff sections, e.g., testing service results. If data are to be provided in other than paper format, the charges for such exchange will be determined on an individual case basis.

6.2.4 Testing

(A) Acceptance Testing

At no additional charge the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, cooperatively test at the time of installation, the following parameters: loss, C-notched noise, C-message noise, 3-tone slope, d.c. continuity and operational signaling. When the Local Transport is provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10, and the Transport Termination is two-wire (i.e., there is a four-wire to two-wire conversion in Local Transport), balance parameters (equal level echo path loss) may also be tested.

(B) Routine Testing

At no additional charge, the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, test after installation on an automatic or manual basis, 1004 Hz loss, C-message noise and Balance (Return loss).

In the case of automatic testing, the customer shall provide remote office test lines and 105 test lines with associated responders or their functional equivalent.

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6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd) <u>Testing</u> (Cont'd)

(B) Routine Testing (Cont'd)

The frequency of these tests will be that which is mutually agreed upon by the customer and the Telephone Company, but shall consist of not less than quarterly 1004 Hz Loss and C-message noise tests and an annual Balance test. Trunk test failures requiring customer participation for trouble resolution will be provided to the customer on an as-occurs basis.

6.2.5 Determination of Number of Transmission Paths

For Feature Groups A and B, which are ordered on a per line or per trunk basis respectively, and Feature Group D when ordered on a per trunk basis by customers other than MTS/WATS providers, the customer specifies the number of transmission paths in the order for service.

The Telephone Company will determine the number of Switched Access Service transmission paths to be provided for the Switched Access Feature Group C and D busy hour minutes of capacity ordered. The number of transmission paths will be developed using the total busy hour minutes of capacity by type (as described in 6.1.1(B) preceding) for the end offices for each Feature Group ordered from a customer's designated premises. The total busy hour minutes of capacity by type (e.g., originating, terminating, IDDD, Operator) for the end office will be converted to transmission paths using standard Telephone Company traffic engineering methods. The number of transmission paths provided shall be the number required based on (1) the use of access tandem switches and end office switches, (2) the use of the end office switches only, or (3) the use of the tandem switches only.

6.2.6 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

Subject to availability, the Telephone Company will make available trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow, to the customer based on previously agreed to intervals.

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6.3 Obligations of the Customer

In addition to the obligations of the customer set forth in Section 2. preceding, the customer has certain specific obligations pertaining to the use of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

6.3.1 Report Requirements

Customers are responsible for providing the following reports to the Telephone Company, when applicable.

(A) Jurisdictional Reports

When a customer orders Switched Access Service for both interstate and intrastate use, the customer is responsible for providing reports as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding. Charges will be apportioned in accordance with those reports. The method to be used for determining the intrastate charges is set forth in 2.3.12 preceding.

(B) Code Screening Reports

When a customer orders service class routing, trunk access limitation or call gapping arrangements, it must report the number of trunks and/or the appropriate codes to be instituted in each end office or access tandem switch, for each of the arrangements ordered.

6.3.2 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

With the agreement of the customer, trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow for its end of all access trunk groups, where technologically feasible, will be made available to the Telephone Company. These data will be used to monitor trunk group utilization and service performance and will be based on previously arranged intervals and format.

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6.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

6.3.3 Supervisory Signaling

The customer's facilities shall provide the necessary on-hook, off-hook, answer and disconnect supervision.

6.3.4 Short Duration Mass Calling Requirements

When a customer offers service for which a substantial call volume is expected during a short period of time (e.g., 900 service media stimulated events), the customer must notify the Telephone Company at least 48 hours in advance of each peak period. Notification should include the nature, time, duration, and frequency of the event, an estimated call volume, and the telephone number(s) to be used.

On the basis of the information provided, the Telephone Company may invoke network management controls, (e.g., call gapping and code blocking) to reduce the probability of excessive network congestion. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the appropriate level of such control.

6.4 Rate Regulations

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Switched Access Service.

6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges

There are two types of rates and charges that apply to Switched Access Service. These are usage rates and nonrecurring charges. These rates and charges are applied differently to the various rate elements as set forth in (C) following.

(A) Usage Rates

Usage rates for Switched Access Service are rates that apply on a per access minute basis when a specific rate element is used.

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6.4. Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(B) Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for a specific work activity (i.e., installation or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for Switched Access Service are: installation of service, Interim NXX Translation, optional features, and service rearrangements. These charges, with the exception of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature, are in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 17.3.1(A) following.

(1) Installation of Service

Nonrecurring charges apply to each Switched Access Service installed. For FGA, which is ordered on a per line basis, and for FGB, FGC and FGD, which is ordered on a per trunk basis, the charge is applied on a per line or trunk basis respectively. For FGC and FGD, which are ordered on a busy hour minutes of capacity basis, the charge is also applied on a per trunk basis but the charge applies only when the capacity ordered requires the installation or activation of an additional trunk(s) which is uniquely identified for the sole use of the ordering customer.

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(B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

Interim NXX Translation Optional Feature (2)

This nonrecurring charge applies to the initial order for the installation of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature with Feature Group C or Feature Group D Switched Access Service and for each subsequent order received to add or change NXX translation codes. This charge, if applicable, applies whether this optional feature is installed coincident with or at any time subsequent to the installation of Switched Access Services. This charge is applied by the Telephone Company per order, per LATA or Market Area. When it is necessary for multiple telephone companies to provide the translation function, the nonrecurring charge is assessed only by the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function which identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation.

(3) Service Rearrangements

All changes to existing services other than changes involving administrative activities and the off-hook supervisory signaling of FGA Access Services, will be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and an installation of a new service. The nonrecurring charge described in (1) preceding will apply for this work activity. Moves that change the physical location of the point of termination are described and charged for as set forth in 6.4.4 following.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)

- (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (3) Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)
 - If, due to technical limitations of the Telephone Company, a customer could not combine its Interim NXX traffic with its other trunk side Switched Access Services, no charge shall apply to combine these trunk groups when it becomes technically possible.

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the customer. Administrative changes are as follows:

- Change of customer name,
- Change of customer or customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not a result of a physical relocation of equipment,
- Change in billing date (name, address, or contact name or telephone number),
- Change of agency authorization,
- Change of customer circuit identification,
- Change of billing account number,
- Change of customer test line number,
- Change of customer or customer's end user contact name or telephone number, and
- Change of jurisdiction.

Changes and additions to existing Switched Access Services which are necessary due to Telephone Company initiated network reconfigurations, and required to provide the same grade of service to the customer that existed prior to the reconfiguration, will be made without charge to the customer. Charges will apply to those changes and additions which are in excess of those required to provide the same grade of service and/or capacity. Grade of service will be as determined by industry standard engineering tables. Changes to the point in time when the off-hook supervisory signal is provided in the originating call sequence i.e., when the off-hook supervisory

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6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

(3) Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)

signal is changed from being provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers to being forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers or vice versa, are subject to the Access Order Charge as set forth in 17.3.1(A) following.

For additions, changes or modifications to an optional feature which has a separate nonrecurring charge, that nonrecurring charge will apply.

For additions, changes, or modifications to optional features that do not have their own separate nonrecurring charges, an Access Order Charge as set forth in 17.3.1(A) following will apply. When an optional feature is not required on each transmission path, but rather for an entire transmission path group, an end office or an access tandem switch, only one such charge will apply (i.e., it will not apply per transmission path).

SS7\MF Signaling Trunk Group Conversion Charge (4)

For the conversion of FGC or FGD trunks from MF to SS7 signaling or from SS7 to MF signaling, a nonrecurring charge will apply as set forth in 17.2.1 following.

The trunk group conversion charge is applied on a per trunk group basis or major fraction thereof, and is applicable when the total number of trunks in a trunk group remain the same. Additions of new trunks will follow the regulations, rates and charges associated with the installation of new services as set forth in 6.4.1 preceding.

During the conversion of a trunk group from MF to SS7 signaling, a customer may add Calling Party Number (CPN), Charge Number (CN), and/or Carrier Selection Parameter (CSP) optional features.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

- 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (4) <u>SS7\MF Signaling Trunk Group Conversion Charge</u> (Cont'd)

The Access Order Charge, as set forth in 17.3.1 following will apply to each order received by the Telephone Company to convert an existing FGC or FGD trunk group(s) from MF to SS7 signaling or from SS7 to MF signaling.

(C) Application of Rates

Rates are for measured or assumed access minutes for all Feature Groups.

(1) <u>Unmeasured FGA Access Services</u>

Where originating and/or terminating measurement capability does not exist for Feature Group A Switched Access Services provided to the first point of switching, the number of access minutes that will be assumed are as set forth following in 6.5.4 and 6.6.4 respectively.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)

- (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (2) Notice of Equal Access Conversion

The Telephone Company will provide written notification to all access customers of record within a particular LATA that an end office in that LATA is scheduled to be converted to an equal access end office. This notification will be sent, via certified U.S. Mail, to each customer of record in the LATA where the conversion is scheduled to occur, at least six months in advance of the conversion date.

The customer will have the choice of converting all or part of the existing services to equal access (i.e., Feature Group D) or retaining the existing services. The conversion of existing services will be at no charge provided the order to convert such services to Feature Group D is received as set forth in 6.4.3 following.

(3) Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 (CCS/SS7) Network Connection

The CCS/SS7 Network Connection is comprised of a Signaling Mileage Facility charge, a Signaling Mileage Termination charge, a Signaling Entrance Facility Charge, and a Signaling Transfer Point (STP0 Port charge.

The Signaling Mileage Facility charge is assessed on a per facility per mile basis. The Signaling Mileage Termination charge is assessed on a per termination basis (i.e., at each end of the Signaling Mileage Facility). When the signaling Mileage Facility mileage measurement is zero, Signaling Mileage Termination charges do not apply.

The STP Port charge is assessed on a per port basis for each termination of a Signaling Mileage Facility at an STP.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)

(3) 800/888/877 Database Access Service

A Basic Query of Vertical Feature Query charge applies for each completed query that is returned from the 800/888/877 database and identifying the customer to whom the call will be delivered whether or not the actual call is delivered to the customer. The query is considered completed when the appropriate call routing information is returned to the Service Switching Point (SSP) that launched the query. Query charges, as set forth in the company's rate schedule, will only be applied by those companies whose wire centers are identified as assessing query charges in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

When FGC or FGD switched access service is used for the provision of 800/888/877 Database Access Service and the total minutes of use and/or count of queries can be determined for each customer at a tandem or SSP but cannot be determined by individual end office, an allocation method will be utilized to determine minutes if use and/or queries by end office and customer. For each end office a ratio will be developed and applied against the total minutes of use and/or count of queries for a given customer as determined by the tandem or SSP. These ratios will be developed by dividing the unidentified originating 800/888/877 minutes of use at an end office by the total unidentified originating minutes of use in all end offices subtending the tandem or SSP.

6.4.2 <u>Minimum Monthly Charge</u>

Switched Access Service is subject to a minimum monthly charge. The minimum charge applies for the total capacity provided. The minimum monthly charge is calculated as follows.

For the Local Transport, Local Switching and Information Surcharge rate elements, the minimum monthly charge is the sum of the recurring charges set forth in 17.2.2 and 17.2.3 following for either the actual measured usage or the assumed usage prorated to the number of days or major fraction of days based on a 30 day month.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.3 Change of Switched Access Service Arrangements

Changes from one type of Feature Group to another will be treated as a discontinuance of one type of service and a start of another. Nonrecurring charges will apply, with one exception. When a customer upgrades a Feature Group A or B service to a Feature Group D service and when Feature Group C is upgraded to Feature Group D coincident with the availability of Feature Group D in an end office, the nonrecurring charges will not apply and minimum period obligations will not change, i.e., the time elapsed in the existing minimum period obligation will be credited to the minimum period obligations for FGD service, subject to the following limitations.

In order to avoid the imposition of nonrecurring charges a customer which is a participant in the presubscription allocation process (i.e., is on the presubscription ballot) must:

- submit its order to disconnect Feature Group A and/or B within 30 days after the
 date the results of the final allocation of customers in an end office are actually
 received by the customer, and
- make the effective date for disconnection of the Feature Group A and/or B
 Access Services no later than 60 days after the final allocation results are
 received by the customer.

A customer which is not a participant in the allocation process (i.e., is not on the presubscription ballot) is subject to the same rules preceding. The time frames for the non-participating customer(s) are the same as those which apply to the last customer to receive the results of the final allocation of customers in an end office who is a participant in the allocation process. For all other changes from one type of Feature Group to another, new minimum period obligations will be established.

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6.4.4 Moves

A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- The point of termination at the customer designated premises
- The customer designated premises

The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

(A) Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one half of the installation nonrecurring charge for the capacity affected. This charge is in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 17.3.1(A) following. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements.

(B) Moves to a Different Building

Moves to a different building will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service and all associated nonrecurring charges will apply. New minimum period requirements will be established for the new service. The customer will also remain responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service.

6.4.5 <u>Local Information Delivery Services</u>

Calls over Switched Access Service in the terminating direction to certain community information services will be rated under the applicable rates for Switched Access Service as set forth in 17.2 following. In addition, the charges per call as specified under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs, e.g., 976 (DIAL-IT) Network Services, will also apply.

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6.4.6 <u>Mileage Measurement</u>

The mileage to be used to determine the monthly rate for Local Transport is calculated on the airline distance between the end office switch, where the call carried by Local Transport originates or terminates and the customer's serving wire center, except as set forth in (A) through (E) following.

Where switched access services are routed between a Telephone Company's digital host central office and its corresponding digital remote central office and the digital remote central office is identified by separate and unique NXX and V&H coordinates, the Local Transport Mileage shall be calculated on the airline distance between the customer's serving wire center and the remote end office.

Mileage rates are as set forth in 17.2.2 following. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the airline mileage using the V&H coordinates method. If the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage and applying the rates. Then multiply the mileage by the appropriate rate. See Matrix in (F) following.

Exceptions to the mileage measurement rules are as follows:

(A) Five-Mile Rule

When a non-AT&T customer designated premises is within five miles of an AT&T Class 4 office, the Local Transport mileage for a call which is carried over a Switched Access Service, originating or terminating through an end office switch, shall be the distance as would be determined from that end office switch to the serving wire center for that AT&T Class 4 office unless the customer specifies that for an entire LATA, it wants all measurements determined from its serving wire center. This designation (i.e., which serving wire center to use in calculating mileage) may be changed only once in any 12 month period. Such change will be made without charge(s) to the customer.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 Mileage Measurement (Cont'd)

(B) Feature Group A

Mileage for access minutes in the originating or terminating direction over Feature Group A Switched Access Service will be calculated on an airline basis. using the V&H coordinates method. The mileage measurement will be between dial tone office (end office switch where the Feature Group A switching dial tone is provided) and the customer's serving wire center for the Switched Access Service provided.

Where originating and/or terminating measurement capability (1) does not exist, or (2) exists but it is not End Office specific, mileage for FGA will be calculated in the unmeasured direction(s) on an airline basis using the V&H coordinates method. This mileage measurement will be between the dial tone office (end office switch where the switching dial tone is provided) and the customers' serving wire center for the Switched Access Services.

(C) Feature Groups C and D - Alternate Traffic Routing

When the Alternate Traffic Routing optional feature is provided with Feature Groups C and D, the Local Transport access minutes will be apportioned between the two trunk groups used to provide this feature. Such apportionment will be made using: (1) standard Telephone Company traffic engineering methodology and will be based on the last trunk CCS desired for the high usage group, as described in 6.9.1(L) following (Alternate Traffic Routing), and the total busy hour minutes of capacity ordered to the end office, when the feature is provided at an end office switch, or to the subtending end offices when the feature is provided at an access tandem switch, or (2) an apportionment mutually agreed to by the Telephone Company and the customer. This apportionment will serve as the basis for Local Transport mileage calculation.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 <u>Mileage Measurement</u> (Cont'd)

(D) Feature Group C - Multiple CDPs

When terminating Feature Group C Switched Access Service is provided from multiple customer designated premises to an end office not equipped with measurement capabilities, the total Local Transport access minutes for that end office will be apportioned among the trunk groups accessing the end office on the basis of the individual busy hour minutes of capacity ordered for each of those trunk groups. This apportionment will serve as the basis for Local Transport mileage calculation.

(E) Feature Groups B and D - MTSOs Directly Interconnected to Access Tandems

The Local Transport mileage for Feature Groups B and D switched access service provided to Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office will be determined on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinate method. The mileage will be measured between the customer's serving wire center and the Telephone Company access tandem office to which the MTSO is interconnected.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 (Cont'd)

(F) <u>Local Transport Matrix</u>

	<u>EO</u>	A/T <u>DTO</u>	ICSWC [<u>Directionality</u>
FGA(M)			LTT	0
FGA(M)			LTT	Т
FGA(N)			LTT	O or T
FGB FGB (MTSO)			LTT LTT	O or T O or T
FGC FGD FGD (MTSO)			LTT LTT LTT	O or T O or T O or T

<u>Key</u>

M - End Office Specific Measurement Available

N - No End Office Specific Measurement Available

O - Originating T - Terminating

EO - End Office

DTO - Dial Tone Office

A/T - Access Tandem

ICSWC - IC Serving Wire Center

LTT - Local Transport Termination

MTSO - Mobile Telephone Switching Office

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

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6.4.8 Message Unit Credit for Feature Group A

Calls from end users to the seven digit local telephone numbers associated with Feature Group A Switched Access Service are subject to Telephone Company local and/or general exchange service tariff charges (including message unit and toll charges as applicable). The monthly bills rendered to customers for their Feature Group A Switched Access Service will include a credit to reflect any message unit charges collected from their end users under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs. When the customer is provided FGA service where measurement capability does not exist, the credit will apply to access minutes not to exceed the assumed originating access minutes. No credit will apply for any terminating FGA access minutes. The message unit credit for originating access minutes will be based on the generally applicable message unit charges of the Telephone Company.

6.4.9 Application of Rates for Feature Group A Extension Service

Feature Group A Switched Access Service is available with extensions, i.e., additional terminations of the service at different customer designated premises in the same LATA as the FGA dial tone office or a LATA other than the LATA where the FGA dial tone office is located. Feature Group A extensions within the same LATA and same state as the dial tone office are provided and charged under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)

6.5.1 Description

(A) FGA Access, which is available to all customers, provides line side access to Telephone Company end office switches with an associated seven digit local telephone number for the customer's use in originating and terminating communications.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (B) FGA Switching is provided at all end office switches. At the option of the customer. FGA is provided on a single or multiple line group basis and is arranged for originating calling only, terminating calling only, or two-way calling which are specified by the customer's order for service.
- (C) FGA provides a line side termination at the first point of switching (dial tone office). The line side termination will be provided with either ground start supervisory signaling or loop start supervisory signaling. The type of signaling is at the option of the customer.
- (D) The Telephone Company shall select the first point of switching, within the selected LATA, at which the line side termination is to be provided unless the customer requests a different first point of switching and Telephone Company facilities and measurement capabilities, where necessary, are available to accommodate such a request.
- A seven digit local telephone number assigned by the Telephone Company is (E) provided for access to FGA switching in the originating direction. The seven digit local telephone number will be associated with the selected end office switch and is of the form NXX-XXXX.
 - If the customer requests a specific seven digit telephone number that is not currently assigned, and the Telephone Company can, with reasonable effort, comply with that request, the requested number will be assigned to the customer.
- FGA switching, when used in the terminating direction, is arranged with dial tone (F) start-dial signaling. When used in the terminating direction FGA switching may, at the option of the customer, be arranged for dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling, subject to availability of equipment at the first point of switching. When FGA switching is provided in a hunt group or uniform call distribution arrangement, all FGA switching will be arranged for the same type of address signaling.

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6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)

6.5.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (G) No address signaling is provided by the Telephone Company when FGA switching is used in the originating direction. Address signaling in such cases, if required by the customer, must be provided by the customer's end user using inband tone signaling techniques. Such inband tone address signals will not be regenerated by the Telephone Company and will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
- (H) FGA switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, local operator service (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 where available and 555-1212), emergency reporting service (911 where available), exchange telephone repair (611 where available), time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider, and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate digits).

Charges for FGA terminating calls requiring operator assistance or calls to 611 or 911 will only apply where sufficient call details are available. Additional non-access charges will also be billed on a separate account for (1) an operator surcharge, as set forth in the local exchange tariffs, for local operator assistance (0- and 0+) calls, (2) calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 976 (DIAL IT) Network Services, and, (3) calls from a FGA line to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer.

(I) When a FGA switching arrangement for an individual customer (a single line or entire hunt group) is discontinued at an end office, an intercept announcement is provided. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.2 Optional Features

Following are the various nonchargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group A. They are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination or Local Transport options.

(A) Common Switching Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.9 following.

- (1) Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group
- (2) Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group
- (3) <u>Hunt Group Arrangement</u>
- (4) Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement
- (5) <u>Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group or Uniform Call Distribution</u> <u>Arrangement</u>

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)

(B) <u>Transport Termination</u>

- (1) Two-way operation with dial pulse address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (2) Two-way operation with dial pulse address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (3) Two-way operation with dial tone multifrequency address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (4) Two-way operation with dial tone multifrequency address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (5) Terminating operation with dial pulse address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (6) Terminating operation with dial pulse address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (7) Terminating operation with dual tone multifrequency address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (8) Terminating operation with dual tone multifrequency address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (9) Originating operation with loop start supervisory signaling
- (10) Originating operation with ground start supervisory signaling

(C) <u>Local Transport Options</u>

- (1) Supervisory Signaling (as set forth in 15.1.1(E) following)
- (2) Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level (as set forth in 15.1.1(E) following)

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.3 Optional Features Provided In Local Tariffs

Certain other features which may be available in connection with Feature Group A (e.g., Speed Calling, Remote Call Forwarding, Bill Number Screening, IntraLATA extensions) are provided under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer Feature Group A traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) or assumed by the Telephone Company at end office switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded) or assumed by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For terminating calls over FGA and for originating calls over FGA (when the off-hook supervisory signal is provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers), the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGA (when the off-hook supervisory signal is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers), chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes using the same formula as set forth in 6.7.4 following for Feature Group C.

For originating calls over FGA, usage measurement begins when the originating FGA first point of switching receives an off-hook supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination. This off-hook signal may be provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers, or forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The measurement of originating call usage over FGA ends when the originating FGA first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGA, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGA first point of switching receives an off-hook supervisory signal from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. The measurement of terminating call usage over FGA ends when the terminating FGA first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

FGA access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each line or hunt group, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each line or hunt group.

Assumed minutes are used for FGA services which originate or terminate in end offices not equipped with measurement capabilities and in such cases are the chargeable access minutes.

Where originating and terminating measurement capability does not exist for Feature Group A provided to the first point of switching, the number of access minutes will be assumed as set forth in 17.2.4 following.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Where measurement capability exists for either originating or terminating usage, but not both, on a line arranged for two way calling, the number of access minutes per line per month will be assumed usage, as set forth in 17.2.4 following, or the measured usage, whichever is greater. If the usage in the measured direction exceeds the assumed access minutes per line per month, no usage will be assigned in the unmeasured direction. If the measured usage is less than the assumed access minutes per line per month, the usage in the unmeasured direction will be the assumed usage, as set forth in 17.2.4 following, for that unmeasured direction except that the total of measured and assumed minutes in such instances will not exceed the total assumed usage designated for two way calling set forth in 17.2.4 following. If the total exceeds the assumed minutes set forth in 17.2.4 following, the assigned minutes shall be reduced so that the total of measured and unmeasured minutes equals the assumed minutes for two way calling set forth in 17.2.4 following.

Additionally, when the line is arranged for one way calling and there is no measurement capability for that direction, assumed originating access minutes, as set forth in 17.2.4(B) following, will be assigned for originating calling only lines and assumed terminating access minutes, as set forth in 17.2.4(C) following, will be assigned for terminating calling only lines.

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6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The following matrix illustrates the application of assumed access minutes for FGA as set forth in 17.2.4(A), (B) and (C) following.

Service Ordered As	Can Measure Originating	Can't Measure Originating	Can Measure Terminating	Can't Measure Terminating
Originating Only	Actual	1,510	N/A	N/A
Terminating Only	N/A	N/A	Actual	2,685
Both Originating & Terminating (originating measurement greater than 4105)	Actual	N/A	N/A	0
Both Originating & Terminating (originating measurement equa or less than 4195)	Actual	N/A	N/A	0 to 2685*
Both Originating & Terminating (terminating measurement greater than 4195)	N/A	0	Actual	N/A
Both Originating & Terminating (terminating measurement equa or less than 4195)	N/A	0 to 1510*	Actual	N/A

^{*} Sum of actual and assumed cannot exceed 4195. Reduce assumed minutes of use if necessary.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd) 6.5.4

Notwithstanding the preceding, when Feature Group A is used for the provision of WATS-type service where measurement capability exists at the WATS Serving Office but not at the Feature Group A first point of switching, the measured WATS-type originating and/or terminating minutes of use shall be separately summed and compared to their respective total assumed originating and/or terminating minutes of use. The number of access minutes per line per month will be the assumed or the measured usage, whichever is greater.

6.5.5 **Testing Capabilities**

FGA is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line and milliwatt (102 type) test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)

Description 6.6.1

- (A) FGB Access, which is available to all customers, provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches with an associated uniform 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access code. FGB trunk side access is provided for the customer's use in originating and terminating communications.
- FGB, when directly routed to an end office (i.e., provided without the use of an (B) access tandem switch), is provided at appropriately equipped Telephone When provided via Telephone Company electronic end office switches. Company designated electronic access tandem switches, FGB switching is provided at Telephone Company electronic and electromechanical end office switches.

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Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd) 6.6

6.6.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (C) FGB is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with wink start start-pulsing signals and answer and disconnect supervisory signaling.
- (D) FGB switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling in both the originating and terminating directions. Except for FGB switching provided with the automatic number identification (ANI) or rotary dial station signaling arrangements as set forth respectively in 6.9.1(F) and 6.9.2(A) following, any other address signaling in the originating direction, if required by the customer, must be provided by the customer's end user using inband tone signaling techniques. Such inband tone address signals will not be regenerated by the Telephone Company and will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
- (E) The access code for FGB switching is a uniform access code. The form of the uniform access code is 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX. A uniform access code(s) will be assigned to the customer for the customer's domestic communications and another will be assigned to the customer for its international communications, if required. These access codes will be the assigned access numbers of all FGB switched access service provided to the customer by the Telephone Company.
- (F) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGB switching is ordered. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGB switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGB or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.

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6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)

6.6.1 **Description** (Cont'd)

(G) FGB switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate digits). When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that end office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by end offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed.

The customer will also be billed additional non-access charges for calls to certain community information services for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 976 (DIAL-IT) Network Service. Additionally, non-access charges will also be billed for calls from a FGB trunk to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer.

Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 or 101XXXX access codes. FGB may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access Service Feature Groups B, C and D.

- (H) When all FGB switching arrangements are discontinued at an end office and/or in a LATA, an intercept announcement is provided. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.
- (I) For FGB switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport rate element for the FGB usage. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for the local transport rate element is as set forth in 6.4.6(G) preceding.
- (J) A customer who has FGB access may elect to have their FGB traffic routed over FGD trunks at the end office or access tandem. If the customer elects this option the FGB traffic will be rated at the FGD rates.

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6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)

6.6.2 **Optional Features**

Following are descriptions of the various nonchargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group B. They are set forth in (A), (B) and (C) following and are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport options. Additionally, other optional features provided in local tariffs are set forth in (D) following.

(A) Common Switching Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.9 following.

- (1) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)
- (2) Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to Customer
- (B) **Transport Termination Options**
 - (1) Rotary Dial Station Signaling
- **Local Transport Options** (C)
 - (1) **Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination**
 - (2) **Optional Supervisory Signaling**
 - (3) Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level

Inasmuch as these options concern transmission levels and signaling they are set forth in 15.1.1 following.

(D) Optional Features Provided In Local Tariffs

Another feature, Bill Number Screening, which may be available in connection with FGB, is provided under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

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6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)

6.6.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group B, the trunk directionality and traffic routing of the Switched Access Service between the customer designated premises and the entry switch are determined by the customer's order for service. Additionally, the customer may order the optional feature Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination as set forth in 15.1.1 following.

6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For both originating and terminating calls over FGB the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

For originating calls over FGB, usage measurement begins when the originating FGB first point of switching receives answer supervision forwarded from the customer's point of termination, indicating the customer's equipment has answered.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGB ends when the originating FGB first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGB, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGB first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered.

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6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)

6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The measurement of terminating call usage over FGB ends when the terminating FGB first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

FGB access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each end office, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each end office.

6.6.5 Testing Capabilities

FGB is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing, and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC)

Description 6.7.1

- (A) FGC Access provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches for the customer's use in originating and terminating communications. Originating and terminating FGC Access is available to providers of MTS and WATS. Originating FGC Access is available to all customers when used to provide the Interim NXX Translation optional feature or 800/888/877 Database Terminating FGC access is available to all customers other than providers of MTS and WATS when such access is used in conjunction with the provision of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature or 800/888/877 Database Service, but only for purposes of testing. Existing FGC Access will be converted to Feature Group D Access when Feature Group D Access becomes available in an end office.
- (B) Feature Group C switching is provided at all end office switches unless Feature Group D end office switching is provided in the same office. When FGD switching is available, FGC switching will not be provided. FGC is provided at Telephone Company end office switches on a direct trunk basis or via Telephone Company designated access tandem switches. Feature Group C switching is furnished to providers of MTS and WATS. Additionally, originating Feature Group C switching is available to all customers when used to provide the Interim NXX Translation optional feature or 800/888/877 Database Service. Terminating Feature Group C switching is available to all customers who are not MTS and WATS providers only when such terminating access is for purposes of testing Feature Group C facilities provided in conjunction with the Interim NXX Translation optional feature or 800/888/877 Database Service.

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6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (C) FGC is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with answer and disconnect supervisory signaling. Wink start start-pulsing signals are provided in all offices where available. In those offices where wink start start-pulsing signals are not available, delay dial start-pulsing signals will be provided, unless immediate dial pulse signaling is provided, in which case no start-pulsing signals are provided.
- (D) FGC is provided with multifrequency address signaling except in certain electromechanical end office switches where multifrequency signaling is not available. In such switches, the address signaling will be dial pulse or immediate dial pulse signaling, whichever is available. Up to 12 digits of the called party number dialed by the customer's end user using dual tone multifrequency or dial pulse address signals will be provided by Telephone Company equipment to the customer's premises where the Switched Access Service terminates. Such called party number signals will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
- (E) No access code is required for FGC switching. The telephone number dialed by the customer's end user shall be a seven or ten digit number for calls in the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). For international calls outside the NANP, a seven to twelve digit number may be dialed. The form of the numbers dialed by the customer's end user is NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NXX-XXXX, NPA + NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NPA + NXX-XXXX, and, when the end office is equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD), 01 + CC + NN or 011 + CC + NN.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)

(F) FGC switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information provider, and other customer's services (by dialing the appropriate codes) when the services can be reached using valid NXX codes. When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed. Where measurement capabilities exist, the customer will also be billed additional non-access charges for calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 976 (DIAL IT) Network Services. Additionally, non-access charges will also be billed for calls from a FGC trunk to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer. Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 and 101XXXX access codes. FGC may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access Service Feature Groups B, C or D.

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6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)

- (G) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGC switching is provided. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGC switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGC or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.
- (H) Unless prohibited by technical limitations the providers of MTS and WATS may, at their option, combine Interim NXX Translation and/or 800/888/877 Database traffic in the same trunk group arrangement with their non-Interim NXX Translation traffic. When required by technical considerations, or when provided to a customer other than the provider of MTS and WATS, or at the request of the customer (i.e., provider of MTS and WATS), a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation and/or 800/888/877 Database traffic.

6.7.2 Optional Features

Following are descriptions of the various nonchargeable and chargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group C. Nonchargeable optional features are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport options as set forth in (A) through (C) following. Chargeable optional features are set forth in (D) following.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)

(A) **Common Switching Options**

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.9 following.

- (1) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)
- (2) Signaling Options
 - (a) Delay Dial Start-Pulsing Signaling
 - Immediate Dial Pulse Address Signaling (b)
 - (c) Dial Pulse Address Signaling
- (3) Service Class Routing
- (4) Alternate Traffic Routing
- Trunk Access Limitation (5)
- (B) **Transport Termination Options**
 - (1) Operator Trunk - Coin, Non-Coin, or Combined Coin and Non-Coin

The Operator Trunk option is set forth in 6.9.2(B) following.

Local Transport Options (C)

One optional feature is available with Local Transport associated with FGC. That optional feature is Supervisory Signaling and, due to its technical nature, is set forth in 15.1.1 following.

(D) **Chargeable Optional Features**

(1) Interim NXX Translation

The Interim NXX Translation Optional Feature is set forth in 6.9.3(A) following.

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Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd) 6.7

6.7.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group C, the Telephone Company shall design and determine the routing of Switched Access Service, including the selection of the first point of switching and the selection of facilities from the interface to any switching point and to the end offices where busy hour minutes of capacity are ordered. The Telephone Company shall also decide if capacity is to be provided by originating only, terminating only, or two-way trunk groups. Finally, the Telephone Company will decide whether trunk side access will be provided through the use of two-wire or four-wire trunk terminating equipment.

Selection of facilities and equipment and traffic routing of the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment, and the Telephone Company traffic routing plans. If the customer desires routing or directionality different from that determined by the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer in determining (1) whether the service is to be routed directly to an end office or through an access tandem switch and (2) the directionality of the service.

6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured or imputed by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

For terminating calls over FGC when measurement capability exists, the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGC, chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes in the following manner:

- Step 1: Obtain recorded originating minutes and messages, sourcing from the appropriate recording data.
- Step 2: Obtain the total attempts by dividing the originating measured messages by the completion ratio. Completion ratios (CR) are obtained separately for the major call categories such as DDD, operator, 800/888/877, assistance and international from a sample study which analyzes the ultimate completion status of the total attempts which receive acknowledgement from the customer. That is, Measured Messages divided by Completion Ratio equals Total Attempts.
- Step 3: Obtain the total non-conversation time additive (NCTA) by multiplying the total attempts (obtained in Step 2) by the NCTA per attempt ratio. The NCTA per attempt ratio is obtained from the sample study identified in Step 2 by measuring the non-conversation time associated with both completed and incompleted attempts. The total NCTA is the time on a completed attempt from customer acknowledgement of receipt of call to called party answer (set up and ringing) plus the time on an incompleted attempt from customer acknowledgment of call until the access tandem or end office receives a disconnect signal (ring - no answer, busy or network blockage). That is, Total Attempts times Non-Conversation Time per Attempt Ratio equals Total NCTA.
- Step 4: Obtain total chargeable originating access minutes by adding the total NCTA (obtained in Step 3) to the recorded originating measured minutes (obtained in Step 1). That is, Measured Minutes plus NCTA equals Chargeable Originating Access Minutes.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The ratios and factors used above should be the same as those used in the development of the access rates.

Following is an example which illustrates how the chargeable originating access minutes are derived from the measured originating minutes using this formula.

Where: Measured Minutes (M. Min.) = 7,000
Measured Messages (M. Mes.) = 1,000
Completion Ratio (CR) = .75
NCTA per Attempt = .4

- (1) Total Attempts = $\frac{1,000(\text{m. Mes})}{.75 \text{ (CR)}}$ = 1,333.3
- (2) Total NCTA = .4 (NCTA per Attempt) x 1,333.33 = 533.33
- (3) Total Chargeable Originating Access Minutes = 7,000(M. Min) + 533.33(NCTA) = 7,533.33

FGC access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each end office, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each end office.

Originating Usage

For originating calls over FGC, usage measurement begins when the originating FGC first point of switching receives answer supervision from the customer's point of termination, indicating the called party has answered.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGC ends when the originating FGC first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Terminating Usage

For terminating calls over FGC the chargeable access minutes are either measured or imputed. For terminating calls over FGC where measurement capability does not exist, terminating FGC usage is imputed from originating usage, excluding usage from calls to closed end services or Directory Assistance Services.

For terminating calls over FGC where measurement capability exists, the measurement of chargeable access minutes begins when the terminating FGC first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. This measurement ends when the terminating FGC first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.5 Design Blocking Probability

The Telephone Company will design the facilities used in the provision of Switched Access Service FGC to meet the blocking probability criteria as set forth in (A) and (B) following.

- (A) For Feature Group C, the design blocking objective will be no greater than one percent (.01) between the point of termination at the customer's designated premises and the first point of switching when traffic is directly routed without an alternate route. Standard traffic engineering methods will be used by the Telephone Company to determine the number of transmission paths required to achieve this level of blocking.
- (B) The Telephone Company will perform routine measurement functions to assure that an adequate number of transmission paths are in service. The Telephone Company will recommend that additional capacity (i.e., busy hour minutes of capacity) be ordered by the customer when additional paths are required to reduce the measured blocking to the designed blocking level. For the capacity ordered, the design blocking objective is assumed to have been met if the routine measurements show that the measured blocking does not exceed the threshold listed in the following tables.

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6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.5 <u>Design Blocking Probability</u>

- (B) (Cont'd)
 - (1) For transmission paths carrying only first routed traffic direct between an end office and customer's designated premises without an alternate route, and for paths carrying only overflow traffic, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Number of Transmission Paths <u>Per Trunk</u> Group	Measured Blocking Thresholds in the Time Consistent Busy Hour for the Number of Measurements Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Per Trunk Group			
	15-20 Meas. Meas.	11-14 Meas.	7-10 Meas	3-6 s.
2	7%	8%	9%	14%
3	5%	6%	7%	9%
4	5%	6%	7%	8%
5-6	4%	5%	6%	7%
7 or more	3%	3.5%	4%	6%

(2) For transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and customer's premises via an access tandem, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Number of Transmission Paths Per Trunk Group	Measured Blocking Thresholds in the Time Consistent Busy Hour for the Number of Measurements Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Per Trunk Group				
	15-20 Meas. Meas.	11-14 Meas.	7-10 Meas.	3-6	
2	4.5%	5.5%	6.0%	9.5%	
3	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	6.0%	
4	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%	
5-6	2.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	
7 or more	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.0%	

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6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)

6.7.6 Testing Capabilities

FGC is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)

6.8.1 Description

- (A) FGD Access, which is available to all customers, provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches.
- (B) FGD is provided at Telephone Company designated end office switches whether routed directly or via Telephone Company designated electronic access tandem switches.
- (C) FGD is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with wink start start-pulsing signals and answer and disconnect supervisory signaling.
- (D) FGD switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling. Up to 12 digits of the called party number dialed by the customer's end user using dual tone multifrequency or dial pulse address signals will be provided by Telephone Company equipment to the customer's premises where the Switched Access Service terminates. Such address signals will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.

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6.8.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (E) FGD switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider, and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate codes) when such services can be reached using valid NXX codes. When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by end offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed. The customer will also be billed additional non-access charges for calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 976 (DIAL-IT) Network Service. Additionally, non-access charges will also be billed for calls from a FGD trunk to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer. Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 and 101XXXX access codes. FGD may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access Service Feature Groups B, C or D.
- (F) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGD switching is provided. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGD switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGD or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

Description (Cont'd) 6.8.1

(G) The access code for FGD switching is a uniform access code of the form 101XXXX. A uniform access code(s) will be the assigned number of all FGD access provided to the customer by the Telephone Company. No access code is required for calls to a customer over FGD Switched Access Service if the end user's telephone exchange service is arranged for presubscription to that customer.

Where no access code is required, the number dialed by the customer's end user shall be a seven or ten digit number for calls in the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). For international calls outside the NANP, a seven to twelve digit number may be dialed. The form of the numbers dialed by the customer's end user is NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NXX-XXXX, NPA + NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NPA + NXX-XXXX, and, when the end office is equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD), 01 + CC + NN or 011 + CC + NN.

When the 101XXXX access code is used, FGD switching also provides for dialing the digit 0 for access to the customer's operator, 911 for access to the Telephone Company's emergency reporting service, or the end-of-dialing digit (#) for cut-through access to the customer designated premises.

FGD switching will be arranged to accept calls from telephone exchange service (H) locations without the need for dialing the 101XXXX uniform access code. Each telephone exchange service line may be marked with a code to identify which 101XXXX code its calls will be directed to for interLATA service.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.1 **Description** (Cont'd)

- (I) Unless prohibited by technical limitations, the customer's Interim NXX Translation and/or 800/888/877 Database traffic may, at the option of the customer, be combined in the same trunk group arrangement with the customer's non-Interim NXX Translation and/or 800/888/877 Database traffic. required by technical limitations, or at the request of the customer, a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation and/or 800/888/877 Database traffic.
- (J) When a customer has had FGB access in an end office and subsequently replaces the FGB access with FGD access, at the mutual agreement of the customer and the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will direct calls dialed by the customer's end users using the customer's previous FGB access code to the customer's FGD access service. The customer must be prepared to handle normally dialed FGD calls, as well as calls dialed with the FGB access code which requires the customer to receive additional address signaling from the end user. Such calls will be rated as FGD. The Telephone Company may, with 90 days' written notice to the customer, discontinue this arrangement.
- (K) For FGD switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office. the customer will be billed only the Local Transport rate element for the FGD usage. The mileage will be measured between the customer's serving wire center and the Telephone Company's access tandem office to which the MTSO is interconnected.
- (L) A customer who has FGB access may elect to have their FGB traffic routed over FGD trunks at the end office or access tandem. If the customer elects this option the FGB traffic will be rated at the FGD rates.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.2 Optional Features

Following are the various nonchargeable and chargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group D. Nonchargeable Optional Features are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport options as set forth in (A) through (C) following. Chargeable optional features are set forth in (D) following.

(A) Common Switching Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.9 following.

- (1) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)
- (2) Service Class Routing
- (3) Alternate Traffic Routing
- (4) <u>Trunk Access Limitation</u>
- (5) Call Gapping Arrangement
- (6) International Carrier Option

(B) <u>Transport Termination Options</u>

(1) Operator Trunk - Full Feature

The Operator Trunk optional feature is set forth in 6.9.2(C) following.

(C) <u>Local Transport Options</u>

One optional feature is available with Local Transport associated with FGD. That optional feature is Supervisory Signaling and, due to its technical nature, is set forth in 15.1.1 following.

(D) Chargeable Optional Features

(1) <u>Interim NXX Translation</u>

The Interim NXX Translation Optional Feature is set forth in 6.9.3(A) following.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)

- (D) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (2) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI)

The Flex ANI Optional Feature is provided as set forth in 6.9.3 following.

6.8.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group D, the Telephone Company shall design and determine the routing of Switched Access Service, including the selection of the first point of switching and the selection of facilities from the interface to any switching point and to the end offices where busy hour minutes of capacity are ordered. The Telephone Company shall also decide if capacity is to be provided by originating only, terminating only, or two-way trunk groups. Finally, the Telephone Company will decide whether trunk side access will be provided through the use of two-wire or four-wire trunk terminating equipment.

Selection of facilities and equipment and traffic routing of the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment, and the Telephone Company traffic routing plans. If the customer desires routing or directionality different from that determined by the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer in determining (1) whether the service is to be routed directly to an end office or through an access tandem switch and (2) the directionality of the service.

6.8.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be recorded at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured or imputed to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Originating Usage

For originating calls over FGD the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

For originating calls over FGD, usage measurement begins when the originating FGD first point of switching receives the first wink supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGD ends when the originating FGD first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

Terminating Usage

For terminating calls over FGD the chargeable access minutes are either measured or imputed.

For terminating calls over FGD where measurement capability exists, the measurement of chargeable access minutes begins when the terminating FGD first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. This measurement ends when the terminating FGD first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGD, where measurement capability does not exist, terminating FGD usage is imputed from originating usage, excluding usage from calls to closed end services or Directory Assistance Services.

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6.8 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)

6.8.5 Design Blocking Probability

The Telephone Company will design the facilities used in the provision of Switched Access Service FGD to meet the blocking probability criteria as set forth in (A) and (B) following.

- (A) For Feature Group D, the design blocking objective will be no greater than one percent (.01) between the point of termination at the customer's designated premises and the end office switch, whether the traffic is directly routed without an alternate route or routed via an access tandem. Standard traffic engineering methods as set forth in reference document Telecommunications Transmission Engineering Volume 3 Networks and Services (Chapters 6-7) will be used by the Telephone company to determine the number of transmission paths required to achieve this level of blocking.
- (B) The Telephone Company will perform routine measurement functions to assure that an adequate number of transmission paths are in service. The Telephone Company will recommend that additional capacity (i.e., busy hour minutes of capacity or trunks) be ordered by the customer when additional paths are required to reduce the measured blocking to the designed blocking level. For the capacity ordered, the design blocking objective is assumed to have been met if the routine measurements show that the measured blocking does not exceed the threshold listed in the following tables.

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6.8.5 <u>Design Blocking Probability</u> (Cont'd)

- (B) (Cont'd)
 - (1) For transmission paths carrying only first routed traffic direct between an end office and customer's designated premises without an alternate route, and for paths carrying only overflow traffic, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

	Measured Blocking Thresholds			
	in the Time Consistent Busy Hour			
Number of	for the Number of Measurements			
Transmission Paths	Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.			
Per Trunk Group	Per Trunk Group			
	15 - 20	11 - 14	7 - 10	3 - 6
	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements
2	7%	8.0%	9.0%	14.0%
3	5%	6.0%	7.0%	9.0%
4	5%	6.0%	7.0%	8.0%
5-6	4%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%
7 or more	3%	3.5%	4.0%	6.0%

(2) For transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and customer's premises via an access tandem, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

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		in the Time Consistent Busy Hour		
Number of	for the Number of Measurements			
Transmission Paths	Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.			
Per Trunk Group	Per Trunk Group			<u> </u>
•	15 - 20	11 - 14	7 - 10	3 - 6
	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements
2	4.5%	5.5%	6.0%	9.5%
3	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	6.0%
4	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%
5-6	2.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%
7 or more	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.0%

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.6 <u>Testing Capabilities</u>

FGD is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding, which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing and Additional Manual Testing, are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u>

Following are descriptions of the various optional features that are available in lieu of, or in the addition to, the standard features provided with the Feature Groups. They are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination, Interim NXX Translation options or Operator Transfer Service options.

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features

The following table shows the Feature Groups with which the optional features are available.

		Available Feature Groups			
	<u>Option</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>
A)	Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group		Х		
B)	Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group	o X	^		
C)	Hunt Group Arrangement	X			
D)	Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement	X			
E)	Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Gro	up			
,	or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement	'X			
F)	Automatic Number Identification (ANI)		Χ	Χ	X
Ġ)	Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access				
,	Digits to Customer		Χ		
H)	Delay Dial Start-Pulsing Signaling			Χ	
I)	Immediate Dial Pulse Address Signaling			Χ	
J)	Dial Pulse Address Signaling			Χ	
K)	Service Class Routing			Χ	Χ
L)	Alternate Traffic Routing		Χ	Χ	
M)	Trunk Access Limitation			Χ	X
N)	Call Gapping Arrangement				X
O)	International Carrier Option				X

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6.9 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

(A) Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group

This option allows for the screening of terminating Feature Group A calls. There are two screening arrangements available with this option as follows: 1) limiting terminating calls for completion to only 411 or 555-1212 whichever is available, 611, 911, 800/888/877 and a Telephone Company specified set of NXXs within the Telephone Company local exchange calling area of the dial tone office in which the arrangement is provided or, 2) limiting terminating calls to completion to only the NXXs associated with all end offices in the LATA, i.e., the call cannot be further switched or routed out of the LATA nor will calls be completed to 411 or 555-1212 whichever is available, 611, 911 or 800/888/877. All other calls are routed to a reorder tone or recorded announcement. Arrangement 1 is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices and, where available, in electromechanical end offices. Arrangement 2 is provided where available. This feature is available with Feature Group A.

(B) Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group

This option allows for the screening of terminating calls within the LATA, and for disallowing completion of calls to 0-, 555 and N11 (e.g., 411, 611, and 911). This feature is provided where available in all Telephone Company end offices. It is available with Feature Group A.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer</u> Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

(C) Hunt Group Arrangement

This option provides the ability to sequentially access one of two or more line side connections in the originating direction, when the access code of the line group is dialed. This feature is provided in all Telephone Company end offices. It is available with Feature Group A. All Feature Group A access services in the same hunt group must provide off-hook supervisory signaling from the same point in time in the call sequence i.e., all off-hook supervisory signals must either be provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers or all must be forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.

(D) Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement

This option provides a type of multiline hunting arrangement which provides for an even distribution of calls among the available lines in a hunt group. Where available, this feature is provided in Telephone Company electronic end offices only. It is available with Feature Group A.

(E) <u>Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group or Uniform Call Distribution</u> Arrangement

This option provides access to an individual line within a multiline hunt or uniform call distribution group. When the nonhunting number is dialed, access is provided when it is idle, or busy tone is provided when it is busy. Where available, this feature is provided in Telephone Company electronic end offices only. It is available with Feature Group A.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer</u> Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

- (F) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u>
 - (1) This option provides the automatic transmission of a seven digit or ten digit number and information digits to the customer designated premises for calls originating in the LATA, to identify the calling station. The ANI feature is an end office software function which is associated on a call-by-call basis with:
 - (a) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group routed directly between an end office and a customer designated premises or, where technically feasible, with
 - (b) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group between an end office and an access tandem, and a trunk group between an access tandem and a customer designated premises.
 - (2) The seven digit ANI telephone number is generally available with Feature Groups B and C. With these Feature Groups, technical limitations may exist in Telephone Company switching facilities which require ANI to be provided only on a directly trunked basis. ANI will be transmitted on all calls except those originating from multiparty lines, pay telephones using Feature Group B, or when an ANI failure has occurred. Seven digit ANI is nit available with SS7 Signaling.

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- 6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)(Cont'd)
 - (3) The ten digit ANI telephone number is only available with Feature Group D. The ten digit ANI telephone number consists of the Numbering Plan Area (NPA) plus the seven digit ANI telephone number. The ten digit ANI telephone number will be transmitted on all calls except those identified as multiparty line or ANI failure, in which case only NPA will be transmitted (in addition to the information digit described below). Ten digit ANI is provided with multifrequency address signaling or SS7 Signaling.
 - (4) With Feature Group C, at the option of the customer, ANI may be ordered from end offices where Telephone Company recording for end user billing is not provided. Additionally, ANI is provided from end offices where message detail recording is not required by the Telephone Company; as with 800/888/877 service. ANI is not provided from end offices where the Telephone Company forwards ANI to its recording equipment.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

- (F) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u> (Cont'd)
 - (5) Where complete ANI detail cannot be provided, e.g., on calls from 4 and 8 party services, information digits will be provided to the customer.

The information digits identify:

- (a) telephone number is the station billing number no special treatment required,
- (b) multiparty line telephone number is a 4- or 8- party line and cannot be identified - number must be obtained via an operator or in some other manner,
- (c) ANI failure has occurred in the end office switch which prevents identification of calling telephone number - must be obtained by operator or in some other manner,
- (d) hotel/motel originated call which requires room number identification,
- (e) pay telephones, hospital, inmate, etc. call which requires special screening or handling by the customer, and
- (f) call is an Automatic Identified Outward Dialed (AIOD) call from customer premises equipment. The AIOD ANI telephone number is the listed telephone number of the customer and is not the telephone number of the calling party.

These ANI information digits are generally available with Feature Groups B, C, and D.

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- 6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u> (Cont'd)
 - (6) Additional ANI information digits are available with Feature Group D also. They include:
 - (a) InterLATA restricted telephone number is identified line
 - (b) InterLATA restricted hotel/motel line
 - (c) InterLATA restricted coinless, hospital, inmate, etc., line

These information digits will be transmitted as agreed to by the customer and the Telephone Company.

- (7) Restrictions on Use and Sale of ANI
 - (a) Access customers of this tariff may use ANI in the following manner:
 - (i) For billing and collection information, for routing, screening, and completing the originating subscriber's call or transaction, or for services directly related to the originating telephone subscriber's call or transaction.

The customer may use ANI to offer a product or service that is directly related to the products or services previously acquired from the customer by the originating subscriber.

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6.9 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

- 6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) Automatic Number Identification (ANI) (Cont'd)
 - (7) Restrictions on Use and Sale of ANI (Cont'd)
 - (b) Access customers of this tariff may not use ANI in the following manner:
 - (i) Reusing or selling the telephone number or billing information without first notifying the originating telephone subscriber for such reuse or resale.
 - (ii) Disclosing (except as permitted in (a), preceding), any information derived from the ANI for any purpose other than: 1)performing the services or transactions that are the subject of the originating subscriber's call, 2) ensuring network performance security and the effectiveness of call delivery, 3) compiling, using, and disclosing aggregate information, and 4) complying with applicable law or legal process.
 - (8) Charges for ANI apply only to Feature Group D Originating Trunks. Rates are as set forth in section 17.
 - Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to Customer (G)

This option provides for the end office capability of providing up to 7 digits of the uniform access code (950-1/0XXX) to the customer designated premises. The customer can request that only some of the digits in the access code be The access code digits would be provided to the customer designated premises using multifrequency signaling, and transmission of the digits would precede the forwarding of ANI if that feature were provided. This feature is available with Feature Group B.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

(H) Delay Dial Start - Pulsing Signaling

Where available, this option provides a method of indicating to the near end trunk circuit readiness to accept address signaling information by the far end trunk circuit. Delay dial is often referred to as an off-hook, on-hook signaling sequence. The delay dial signal is the off-hook interval and the start-pulsing signal is the on-hook interval. With integrity check, the calling office will not outpulse until a delay dial (off-hook) signal followed by a start-pulsing (on-hook) signal has been identified at the calling office. This option is available with Feature Group C.

(I) Immediate Dial Pulse Address Signaling

Where available, this option provides for the forwarding of dial pulses from the Telephone Company end office to the customer without the need of a start-pulsing signal from the customer. It is available with Feature Group C.

(J) <u>Dial Pulse Address Signaling</u>

Where available, this trunk side option provides for the transmission of number information, e.g., called number, between the end office switching system and the customer designated premises (in either direction) by means of direct current pulses. It is available with Feature Group C.

(K) Service Class Routing

This option provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office to a trunk group to a customer designated premises, based on the line class of service (e.g., coin, multiparty or hotel/motel), service prefix indicator (e.g., 0-, 0+, 01+ or 011+. It is provided in suitably equipped end office or access tandem switches. It is available with Feature Groups C and D.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer</u> Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

(L) Alternate Traffic Routing

This option provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office (or appropriately equipped access tandem) to a trunk group (the "high usage" group) to a customer designated premises until that group is fully loaded, and then delivering additional originating traffic (the "overflowing" traffic) from the same end office or access tandem to a different trunk group (the "final" group) to a second customer designated premises. The customer shall specify the last trunk CCS desired for the high usage group. It is provided in suitably equipped end office or access tandem switches. It is available with Feature Groups C and D.

(M) Trunk Access Limitation

This option provides for the routing of originating 900 service calls to a specified number of transmission paths in a trunk group, in order to limit (choke) the completion of such traffic to the customer. Calls to the designated service which could not be completed over the subset of transmission paths in the trunk group, i.e., the choked calls, would be routed to reorder tone. It is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices and where available in electromechanical end offices. It is available with Feature Groups C and D.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.1 Common Switching Optional Features (Cont'd)

(N) Call Gapping Arrangement

This option, provided in suitably equipped end office switches, provides for the routing of originating calls to 900 service to be switched in the end office to all transmission paths in a trunk group at a prescribed rate of flow, e.g., one call every five seconds, in order to limit (choke) the completion of such traffic to the customer. Calls to the designated service which are denied access by this feature, i.e., the choked calls, would be routed to a no-circuit announcement. It is provided in selected Feature Group D equipped end offices and is available only with Feature Group D.

(O) <u>International Carrier Option</u>

This option allows for Feature Group D end offices or access tandem switches equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing to be arranged to forward the international calls of one or more international carriers to the customer (i.e., the Telephone Company is able to route originating international calls to a customer other than the one designated by the end user either through presubscription or 101XXXX dialing). This arrangement requires provision of written verification to the Telephone Company that the customer is authorized to forward such calls. The written verification must be in the form of a letter of agency authorizing the customer to order the option on behalf of the international carrier. This option is only provided at Telephone Company end offices or access tandems equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing and is available only with Feature Group D.

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Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer 6.9 Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

Transport Termination Optional Features 6.9.2

(A) Rotary Dial Station Signaling

This option provides for the transmission of called party address signaling from rotary dial stations to the customer designated premises for originating calls. This option is provided in the form of a specific type of Transport Termination. It is available with Feature Group B, only on a directly trunked basis.

(B) Operator Trunk - Coin, Non-Coin, or Combined Coin and Non-Coin

This option may be ordered to provide coin, non-coin, or combined coin and non-coin operation. It is available only with Feature Group C and is provided in electronic end offices and other Telephone Company end offices where equipment is available. It is provided as a trunk type of Transport Termination.

Coin, Non-Coin

This arrangement provides for initial coin return control, except in the case of non-coin, and routing of 0+, 0-, 1+, 01+ or 011+ respectively, or prefixed originating coin and non-coin calls requiring operator assistance to the customer designated premises. Because operator assisted coin calling traffic is routed over a trunk group dedicated to operator assisted calls, this arrangement is only provided in association with the Service Class Routing option.

This arrangement is normally ordered by the customer in conjunction with the ANI optional feature, since the preponderance of trunk groups equipped with this arrangement will be terminated in the customer's automated operator services systems, rather than in the customer's manual cord boards.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.2 Transport Termination Optional Features (Cont'd)

(B) Operator Trunk - Coin, Non-Coin, or Combined Coin and Non-Coin (Cont'd)

Combined Coin and Non-Coin:

When so equipped, the ANI optional feature provides for the forwarding of information digits which identify that the call has originated from a hotel or motel, and whether room number identification is required, or that special screening is required, e.g., for coinless, dormitory or inmate stations, or other screening arrangements agreed to between the customer and the Telephone Company.

(C) Operator Trunk - Full Feature

This option provides the initial coin return control function to the customer's operator. It is available with Feature Group D and is provided as a trunk type for Transport Termination.

6.9.3 Other Optional Features

(A) <u>Interim NXX Translation</u>

This service is an originating offering utilizing trunk side Switched Access Service and provides a customer identification function based on the dialed SAC and NXX code.

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6.9 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.3 Other Optional Features

(A) Interim NXX Translation (Cont'd)

For example, when an 1+900+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will perform the customer identification function based on the dialed digits to determine the customer location to which the call is to be routed. If the call originates from an end office switch not equipped to provide the customer identification function, the call will be routed to an office at which the function is available. Once customer identification has been established, the call will be routed to that customer. Calls originating from an end office switch at which the customer identification function is performed, but to which the customer has not ordered Interim NXX Translation, will be blocked. Calls to a 900 number from coin telephones, 0+, 0-, 101XXXX, Inmate Service, Hotel/Motel Service and calling card calls will be blocked.

The manner in which Interim NXX Translation is provided is dependent on the status of the end office from which the service is provided (i.e., equipped with equal access capabilities or not equipped with equal access capabilities). When Interim NXX Translation is provided from an end office not equipped with equal access capabilities, it will be provided in conjunction with FGC Switched Access Service.

The charge for Interim NXX Translation is as set forth in Section 17 following.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.3 Other Optional Features

(B) Operator Transfer Service

At the option of the customer, Operator Transfer Service, as specified following, is available for use with FGC and FGD Switched Access Service. Operator Transfer Service is ordered as set forth in Section 5 preceding and is provided to the customer via separate FGC or FGD trunks dedicated to Operator Transfer Service traffic.

Operator Transfer Service is an arrangement in which Company operators transfer 0-calls (calls for which the end user dials 0 with no additional digits) to the customer designated by the end user.

The operator transfer function will be performed in the following manner:

- The operator answers the 0-call
- Initially, the operator will suggest that the end user dial the customer on a
 direct basis. If the end user insists that the operator transfer the call, the
 operator will ask the end user to identify the desired customer and will
 then transfer the call as directed.
 - If the end user has no preference, or the identified customer has not subscribed to Operator Transfer Service, the end user will be asked to select from a list of available customers.

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6.9.3 Other Optional Features

(B) Operator Transfer Service (Cont'd)

The list of available Operator Transfer Service customers will be updated monthly. The order in which customers will be read to end users will be initially determined by the sequence in which customers have ordered the Operator Transfer Service. For each subsequent month, following the initial order for Operator Transfer Service, the customer in the first position on the list will be moved to the last position on the list. All other customer son the list will be moved up one position, e.g. 3rd to 2nd, 2nd to first, etc. New Operator Transfer Service customers on the list will initially be placed at the bottom of the list of customers.

0-Public Coin calls will be transferred to the end user designated customer. In order to accept coin sent-paid calls, the customer must order signaling as specified in TR-TSY-000506 and TR-NFL-00258.

The customer may receive inband, multi-wink, or expanded inband coin control signaling, where available, from end offices served by an Operator Services Access Point. Different signaling types cannot be mixed on a signal trunk group.

All non-recurring and usage sensitive rates and charges normally applicable to FGC or FGD apply to Operator Transfer Service. Additionally, a charge as specified in 6.1.3(C) (2) preceding and as set forth in the concurring company's rate schedule is assessed the customer per 0-call transferred.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer</u> Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.3 Other Optional Features (Cont'd)

(C) 800/888/877 Database Access Service

800/888/877 Database Access Service is provided with FGC or FGD switched access service, When a 1+800/888/877+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the company will utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to query an 800/888/877 database to perform the identification function. The call will then be routed to the identified customer over FGC or FGD switched access.

The manner in which 800/888/877 database access service is provided is dependent on the availability of SS7 service at the end office from which the service is provided as outlined following:

- When 800/888/877 database access service originates at an end office equipped with Service Switching Point (SSP) capability for querying centralized databases, all such service will be provisioned from that end office.
- When 800/888/877 database access service originates at an end office not equipped with SSP customer identification capability, the 800/888/877 call will be delivered to the access tandem on which the end office is homed and which is equipped with the SSP feature to query centralized databases.
- Query charges set forth in Section 17, Rates and Charges, are in addition to those charges applicable for the Feature Group C or Feature Group D switched access service.

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer</u>
<u>Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.3 Other Optional Features (Cont'd)

(D) <u>Automatic Number Identification</u>

Automatic Number Identification (ANI) information relating to a telephone customer, where available under any other provision of this tariff, is provided to the customer (ANI recipient) under the following terms and conditions:

- (1) The ANI recipient or its designated billing agent may use or transmit ANI information to third parties for billing and collection, routing, screening ensuring network performance, and completion of a telephone customer's call or transaction, or for performing a service directly related to the telephone customer's original call or transaction.
- (2) The ANI recipient may offer to any telephone customer with whom the ANI recipient has an established customer relationship a product or service that is directly related to products or services previously purchased by the telephone customer from the ANI recipient.
- (3) The ANI recipient or its designated billing agent is prohibited from utilizing ANI information to establish marketing lists or to conduct outgoing marketing calls, except as permitted by the preceding paragraph, unless the ANI recipient obtains the prior written

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6.9 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.9.3 Other Optional Features (Cont'd)

(D) <u>Automatic Number Identification</u> (Cont'd)

consent of the telephone customer permitting the use of ANI information for such purposes. The foregoing provisions notwithstanding, no ANI recipient or its designated billing agent may utilize ANI information if prohibited elsewhere by law.

- (4) The ANI recipient or its designated billing agent is prohibited from reselling, or otherwise disclosing ANI information to any other third party for any use other than those listed in Paragraph 1, above, unless the ANI recipient obtains the prior written consent of the customer permitting such resale or disclosure.
- (5) Telephone Corporations must make reasonable efforts to adopt and apply procedures designed to provide reasonable safeguards against the aforementioned abuses of ANI.
- (6) Violation of any of the foregoing terms and conditions by any ANI recipient other than a Telephone Corporation shall result, after a determination through the Commission's complaint process, in suspension of the transmission of ANI by the Telephone Company until such time as the Commission receives written confirmation from the ANI recipient that the violations have ceased or have been corrected. If the Commission determines that there have been three or more separate violations in a 24 month period, delivery of ANI to the offending party shall be terminated under terms and conditions determined by the Commission.

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6.9 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation and Operator Transfer Service Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.9.3 Other Optional Features (Cont'd)

Automatic Number Identification (Cont'd) (D)

Violation of any of the foregoing terms and conditions by a Telephone Corporation may result in Commission prosecution of penalty and enforcement proceedings pursuant to Sections 24, 25 and 26 of the Public Service Law.

(E) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI)

The Flex ANI feature is an optional switching feature and enhancement to ANI. This option is provided per end office on a Carrier Identification Code (CIC) basis and is available with Feature Group D service at end offices capable of providing this feature, as listed in the NATIONAL CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

Flex ANI is available on inband signaling or in the Originating Line Information Parameter in the Basic Initial Address Message (IAM) Delivery optional feature for SS7 signaling. Flex ANI provides additional values for the Information Indicator (ii) digits that are associated with various classes of service not available with the standard ANI digits. The customer must have ANI in order to have Flex ANI.

(F) Carrier Identification Parameter (CIP)

This feature enables customers to consolidate trunk groups to provide Equal Access connections for the carrier and its reseller carriers over one trunk group. The Carrier Identification Parameter (CIP) software delivers the Carrier Identification Code (CIC) in the initial address message (IAM) from an originating local exchange network on Feature Group D (FGD), SS7-supported calls. These calls include CIP for FGD, 700, 900+NXX & 800/888/877 Database type calls. Presubscribed carrier information in CIP will be used for normal 1+ presubscribed calls. This enables the information to be sent in the forward direction to the transit network indicating the transit network selected by the originating subscriber. This feature is offered on a per-carrier basis, see Section 17.2 for rates.

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7. Special Access Service

7.1 General

Special Access Service provides a transmission path to connect customer designated premises, directly, through a Telephone Company hub or hubs where bridging or multiplexing functions are performed, or to connect a customer designated premises and a WATS Serving Office. Special Access Service includes all exchange access not utilizing Telephone Company end office switches.

The connections provided by Special Access Service can be either analog or digital. Analog connections are differentiated by spectrum and bandwidth. Digital connections are differentiated by bit rate.

7.1.1 Channel Types

There are seven types of channels used to provide Special Access Services. Each type has its own characteristics. All are subdivided by one or more of the following:

- Transmission specifications,
- Bandwidth,
- Speed (i.e., bit rate),
- Spectrum

Customers can order a basic channel and select from a list of those available transmission parameters and channel interfaces that they desire in order to meet specific communications requirements.

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7. Special Access Service (Cont'd)

7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.1 Channel Types (Cont'd)

For purposes of ordering channels, each has been identified as a type of Special Access Service. Each type of Special Access Service is specifically listed below and identifies the specific bandwidth and speed being offered. The customer must select the appropriate service that provides the speed and bandwidth desired.

Following is a brief description of each type of channel:

Voice Grade - a channel for the transmission of analog signals within an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz.

Digital Data - a channel for the digital transmission of synchronous serial data at rates of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2, 56 or 64 kpbs.

High Capacity - a channel for the transmission of isochronous serial digital data at rates of 1.544, 3.152, 6.312, 44.736 or 274.176 Mbps.

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7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.1 Channel Types (Cont'd)

Detailed descriptions of each of the channel types are provided in 7.4 through 7.10 following.

The customer also has the option of ordering Voice Grade and High Capacity facilities (i.e., 1.544 Mbps, 3.152 Mbps, 6.312 Mbps, 44.736 Mbps and 274.176 Mbps) to Telephone Company hubs for multiplexing to individual channels of a lower capacity or bandwidth. Descriptions of the types of multiplexing available at the hubs, as well as the number of individual channels which may be derived from each type of facility are set forth in 7.6 and 7.10 following. Additionally, the customer may specify optional features for the individual channels derived from the facility to further tailor the channel to meet specific communications requirements. Descriptions of the optional features and functions available are set forth in 7.2.1 following.

For example, a customer may order a 3.152 Mbps High Capacity channel from a customer designated premises to a Telephone Company hub for multiplexing to two 1.544 Mbps channels. The 1.544 Mbps channels may be further multiplexed at the same or a different hub to Voice Grade channels or may be extended to other customer designated premises or hubs. Optional features may be added to either the 1.544 Mbps or the Voice Grade channels.

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7. <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.2 Service Descriptions

For the purposes of ordering, there are three categories of Special Access Service. These are:

Service Designator Codes

Voice Grade VG
Digital Data DA
High Capacity HC

Each service consists of a basic channel to which a technical specifications package (customized or predefined), channel interface(s) and, when desired, optional features and functions are added to construct the service desired by the customer. Technical specifications packages are described in Section 15. following, optional features and functions are described in this section. Channel interfaces are described in 15.2 following.

Customized technical specifications packages will be provided where technically feasible. If the Telephone Company determines that the requested parameter specifications are not compatible, the customer will be advised and given the opportunity to change the order.

When a customized channel is ordered the customer will be notified whether Additional Engineering Charges apply. In such cases, the customer will be advised and given the opportunity to change the order.

The channel descriptions provided in 7.4 through 7.10 following, specify the characteristics of the basic channel and indicate whether the channel is provided between customer designated premises, between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub where bridging or multiplexing functions are performed, between hubs, or between a customer designated premises and a WATS Serving Office.

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7.1.2 Service Descriptions (Cont'd)

- (A) Information pertaining to the technical specifications packages indicates the transmission parameters that are available with each package. This information is displayed in matrices set forth in 15.2 following.
- (B) Channel interfaces at each Point of Termination on a two-point service may be symmetrical or asymmetrical. On a multipoint service they may also be symmetrical or asymmetrical, but communications can only be provided between compatible Only certain channel interfaces are channel interfaces. compatible. These are set forth in 15.2 following, in a combination format.
- (C) Only certain channel interface combinations are available with the predefined technical specifications packages. These are delineated in the Technical References set forth in (F) following. When a customized channel is requested, all channel interface combinations available with the specified type of service are available with the customized channel.
- (D) The optional features and functions available with each type of Special Access Service are described in this section. The optional features and functions information also indicates with which technical specifications packages they are available. information is displayed in matrices set forth in 15.2 following with the optional feature or function listed down the left side and the technical specifications package listed across the top.

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7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.2 Service Descriptions (Cont'd)

- (E) The Telephone Company will maintain services installed prior to April 1, 1985, at their existing transmission specifications provided such performance specifications do not exceed the standards listed in this provision. Those services exceeding the standards listed will be maintained at the performance levels specified in this tariff.
- (F) All services installed after April 1, 1985 will conform to the transmission specifications standards contained in this tariff or in the following Technical References for each category of service:

Voice Grade TR-TSY-000335

PUB 41004. Table 4

Digital Data TR-NPL-000341 and associated

Addendum

PUB 62310

High Capacity TR-INS-000342

PUB 62411

(G) Rate Regulations

Where the Service Discount Plan is requested to be provided coincident with the connection of new service, it will be effective with the establishment of service.

Where the Service discount Plan is requested to be provided on existing services, the effective date will be the first bill date following the receipt of the service order requesting the discount.

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7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.2 Service Descriptions (Cont'd)

(G) Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

At the end of its selected commitment period, the customer will have the option of subscribing to any Service Discount Plan in effect or of retaining the service under the standard rates in effect at the time. If the customer does not execute a new Service Discount Plan prior to the expiration of the commitment period, standard rates will be applied upon expiration of the commitment period.

7.1.3 Service Configurations

There are two types of service configurations over which Special Access Services are provided: two-point service and multipoint service.

(A) Two-Point Service

A two-point service connects two customer designated premises, either on a directly connected basis or through a hub where multiplexing functions are performed, or a customer designated premises and a WATS Serving Office (WSO).

Applicable rate elements are:

- Channel Terminations
- Channel Mileage (as applicable)
- Optional Features and Functions (when applicable)

A Special Access Surcharge, as set forth in 7.3 following, may be applicable.

The following diagram depicts a two-point Voice Grade service connecting two Customer Designated Premises (CDP). The service is provided with C-Type conditioning.

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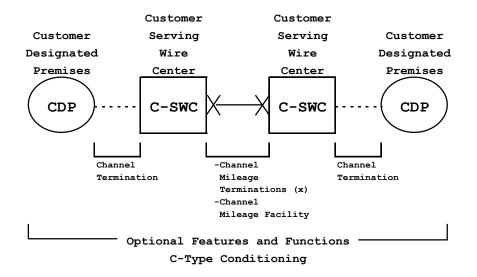
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7.1.3 <u>Service Configurations</u> (Cont'd)



Applicable rate elements are:

- Channel Terminations (2 applicable, one (1) per CDP)
- Channel Mileage
 - . 2 Channel Mileage Terminations plus
- . 1 section, Channel Mileage Facility per mile
- C-Type Conditioning Optional Feature

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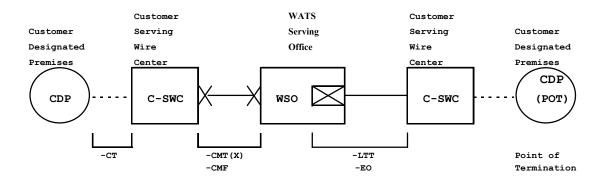
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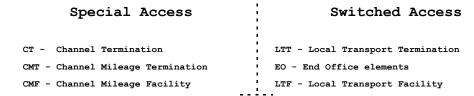
7.1.3 <u>Service Configurations</u> (Cont'd)

(A) Two-Point Service (Cont'd)

The following diagram depicts a two-point Voice Grade service connecting a customer designated premises to a WATS serving office.

The Special Access surcharge, as set forth in 7.3 following, may be applicable.





Applicable rate elements for Special Access are:

- Channel Termination
- Channel Mileage
 - . 2 Channel Mileage Terminations plus
 - . 1 section, Channel Mileage Facility per mile

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7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.3 Service Configurations (Cont'd)

(B) Multipoint Service

Multipoint service connects three or more customer designated premises through one or more Telephone Company hubs. Only certain types of Special Access Service are provided as multipoint service. These are so designated in the descriptions for the appropriate channel set forth in 7.4 through 7.10 following.

The channel between hubs (i.e., bridging locations) on a multipoint service is a mid-link. There is no limitation on the number of mid-links available with a multipoint service. However, when more than three mid-links in tandem are provided the quality of the overall service may be degraded.

Multipoint service utilizing a customized technical specifications package, as set forth in 7.1.2 preceding and 15.2 following, will be provided when technically possible. If the Telephone Company determines that the requested characteristics for a multipoint service are not compatible, the customer will be advised and given the opportunity to change the order.

When ordering, the customer will specify the desired bridging hub(s). NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 identifies serving wire centers, hub locations and the type of bridging functions available.

Applicable Rate Elements are:

- Channel Terminations (one per customer designated premises)
- Channel Mileage (as applicable between the serving wire center for each customer designated premises and the hub and between hubs).
- Additional Optional Features and Functions (when applicable).

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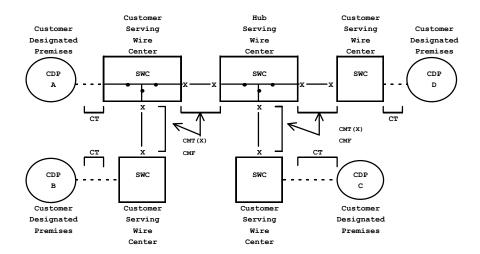
(B) Multipoint Service (Cont'd)

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The Special Access Surcharge, as set forth in 7.3 following, may be applicable.

Example:

Voice Grade multipoint service connecting four customer designated premises (CDP) via two customer specified bridging hubs.



CT - Channel Termination CMT - Channel Mileage Termination CMF - Channel Mileage Facility o - Bridging Port

Applicable rate elements are:

- Channel Terminations (4 applicable)
- Channel Mileage
 o 2 Channel Mileage Terminations per Channel
 Mileage Facility section for a total of 8 plus
 o 4 sections, Channel Mileage Facility per mile
- Bridging Optional Feature (6 applicable, i.e., each bridge port)

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7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.4 Alternate Use

Alternate Use occurs when a service is arranged by the Telephone Company so that the customer can select different types of transmission at different times. A customer may use a service in any privately beneficial manner. However, where technical or engineering changes are required to effectuate an alternate use, the Telephone Company will make such special arrangements available on an individual case basis.

The arrangement required to transfer the service from one operation to the other (i.e., the transfer relay and control leads) will be rated and provided on an individual case basis as stated in Section 12. following, Specialized Service or Arrangements. The customer will pay the stated tariff rates for the Access Service rate elements for the service ordered [i.e., Channel Terminations, Channel Mileage (as applicable) and Optional Features and Functions (if any)].

7.1.5 Special Facilities Routing

A customer may request that the facilities used to provide Special Access Service be specially routed. The regulations, rates and charges for Special Facilities Routing (i.e., Avoidance, Diversity and Cable-Only) are set forth in Section 11. following.

7.1.6 **Design Layout Report**

At the request of the customer, the Telephone Company will provide to the customer the make-up of the facilities and services provided under this tariff as Special Access Service to aid the customer in designing its overall service. This information will be provided in the form of a Design Layout Report. The Design Layout Report will be provided to the customer at no charge, and will be reissued or updated whenever these facilities are materially changed.

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7.1 General (Cont'd)

7.1.7 Acceptance Testing

At no additional charge, the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, cooperatively test the following at the time of installation:

- (A) For Voice Grade analog services, the acceptance test will include tests for loss, 3-tone slope, DC continuity, operational signaling, C-notched noise, and C-message noise when these parameters are applicable and specified in the order of service. Additionally, for Voice Grade services, a balance (improved loss) test will be made if the customer has ordered the improved loss optional feature.
- (B) For digital services (i.e., Digital Data and High Capacity), acceptance tests will include tests applicable to the service as specified by the customer in the order for service.

In addition to the above tests, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing for Voice Grade service to test other parameters is available at the customer's request. All test results will be made available to the customer upon request.

7.1.8 Ordering Options and Conditions

Special Access Service is ordered under the Access Order provisions set forth in Section 5. preceding. Also included in that section are other charges which may be associated with ordering Special Access Service (e.g., Service Date Change Charges, Cancellation Charges, etc.).

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7. Special Access Service (Cont'd)

7.2 Rate Regulations

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Special Access.

7.2.1 Rate Categories

There are three basic rate categories which apply to Special Access Service:

- Channel Terminations (described in 7.2.1(A) following)
- Channel Mileage (described in 7.2.1(B) following)
- Optional Features and Functions (described in 7.2.1(C) following).

(A) **Channel Termination**

The Channel Termination rate category recovers the costs associated with the communications path between a customer designated premises and the serving wire center of that premises. Included as part of the Channel Termination is a standard channel interface arrangement which defines the technical characteristics associated with the type of facilities to which the access service is to be connected at the Point of Termination (POT) and the type of signaling capability, if any. The signaling capability is provided as an optional feature as set forth in (C) following. One Channel Termination charge applies per customer designated premises at which the channel is terminated. This charge will apply even if the customer designated premises and the serving wire center are collocated in a Telephone Company building.

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7.2 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

7.2.1 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(B) Channel Mileage

The Channel Mileage rate category recovers the costs associated with the end office equipment and the transmission facilities between the serving wire centers associated with two customer designated premises, between a serving wire center associated with a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub or between two Telephone Company hubs. Channel Mileage rates are made up of the Channel Mileage Facility rate and the Channel Mileage Termination rate.

(1) Channel Mileage Facility

The Channel Mileage Facility rate recovers the per mile cost for the transmission path which extends between the Telephone Company serving wire centers and/or hub(s).

Channel Mileage Termination (2)

The Channel Mileage Termination rate recovers the cost for end office equipment associated with terminating the facility (i.e., basic circuit equipment and terminations at serving wire centers and hubs). The Channel Mileage Termination rate will apply at the serving wire center(s) for each customer designated premises and Telephone Company hub where the channel is terminated. If the Channel Mileage is between Telephone Company bridging hubs, the Channel Mileage Termination rate will apply per Telephone Company designated hub. If the Channel Mileage is between the serving wire center for a customer designated premises and a WATS Serving Office, the Channel Mileage Termination rate will apply at both the serving wire center associated with the customer designated premises and the WATS Serving Office. When the Channel Mileage Facility is zero (i.e., collocated serving wire centers), neither the Channel Mileage Facility rate nor the Channel Mileage Termination rate will apply.

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7.2 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

7.2.1 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

Optional Features and Functions (C)

The Optional Features and Functions rate category recovers the costs associated with optional features and functions which may be added to a Special Access Service to improve its quality or utility to meet specific communications requirements. These are not necessarily identifiable with specific equipment, but rather represent the end result in terms of performance characteristics which may be obtained. These characteristics may be obtained by using various combinations of equipment. Although the equipment necessary to perform a specified function may be installed at various locations along the path of the service, they will be charged for as a single rate element.

Examples of Optional Features and Functions that are available include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Signaling Capability
- Hubbing Functions
- Conditioning
- Transfer Arrangements

Descriptions for each of the available Optional Features and Functions are set forth in 7.4 through 7.10 following.

A hub is a Telephone Company designated serving wire center at which bridging or multiplexing functions are performed. The bridging functions performed are to connect three or more customer designated premises in a multipoint arrangement. The multiplexing functions are to channelize analog or digital facilities to individual services requiring a lower capacity or bandwidth. NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 identifies serving wire centers, hub locations and the type of bridging or multiplexing functions available.

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7.2 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

7.2.2 <u>Types of Rates and Charges</u>

There are three types of rates and charges. These are monthly rates, daily rates and nonrecurring charges. The rates and charges are described as follows:

(A) Monthly Rates

Monthly rates are recurring rates that apply each month or fraction thereof that a Special Access Service is provided. For billing purposes, each month is considered to have 30 days.

(B) Reserved for Future Use

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7.2.2 Types of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(C) Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for specific work activity (i.e., installation or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for Special Access Service are: installation of service, installation of optional features and functions, and service rearrangements. These charges are in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 17.3 following.

(1) Installation of Service

Nonrecurring charges apply to each service installed. The nonrecurring charges for the installation of service are set for each channel type as a nonrecurring charge for the Channel Termination.

(2) Installation of Optional Features and Functions

When optional features and functions are installed coincident with the initial installation of service, no separate nonrecurring charge is applicable. optional features and functions are installed or changed subsequent to the installation of service, an Access Order Charge as specified in 17.3 following will apply per order.

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 - 7.2.2 <u>Types of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Nonrecurring Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u>

Service rearrangements are changes to existing (installed) services which may be administrative only in nature, as set forth following, or that involve actual physical change to the service. Changes to pending orders are set forth in 5.4.3 preceding.

Changes in the physical location of the point of termination or customer designated premises are moves as set forth in 7.2.3 following.

Changes in the type of Service or Channel Termination which result in a change of the minimum period requirement will be treated as a discontinuance of the service and an installation of a new service.

Changes in ownership or transfer of responsibility from one customer to another will be treated as a discontinuance of the service and an installation of a new service. In the event the change in ownership or transfer of responsibility is as set forth in 2.1.2(A) preceding where there is no change in facilities or arrangements, the change will be treated as an administrative change.

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 - 7.2.2 <u>Types of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Nonrecurring Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the customer. Administrative changes are as follows:

- Change of customer name,
- Change of customer or customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not a result of physical relocation of equipment,
- Change in billing data (name, address, or contact name or telephone number),
- Change of agency authorization
- Change of customer circuit identification,
- Change of billing account number,
- Change of customer test line number,
- Change of customer or customer's end user contact name or telephone number, and
- Change of jurisdiction.

All other service rearrangements will be charged as follows:

If the change involves the addition of other customer designated premises to an existing service, the nonrecurring charge for the channel termination rate element will apply. The charge(s) will apply only for the location(s) that is being added. The charge(s) will be in addition to an Access Order Charge as set forth in 17.3 following.

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 - (C) <u>Nonrecurring Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - If the change involves the addition of an optional feature or function, or if the change involves changing the type of signaling on a Voice Grade service, and for all other changes, the Access Order Charge as set forth in 17.3 following will apply.
 - 7.2.3 <u>Moves</u>

A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- The Point of Termination at the customer's premises
- The customer's premises

The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building. In either case, charges as described in (A) and (B) following are in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 17.3 following.

(A) Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one half of the nonrecurring (i.e., installation) charge for the service termination affected. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements.

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7.2.3 Moves (Cont'd)

(B) Moves To a Different Building

Moves to a different building will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service and all associated nonrecurring charges will apply. New minimum period requirements will be established for the new services. The customer will also remain responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service.

7.2.4 <u>Minimum Periods</u>

The minimum service period for all special access services are as specified in 5.5.1 preceding.

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7.2.5 <u>Mileage Measurement</u>

The mileage to be used to determine the monthly rate for the Channel Mileage Facility is calculated on the airline distance between the locations involved, i.e.,

- the serving wire centers associated with two customer designated premises,
- a serving wire center associated with a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub,
- two Telephone Company hubs,
- or between the serving wire center associated with a customer designated premises and a WATS Serving Office.

The serving wire center associated with a customer designated premises is the serving wire center from which this customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone.

Mileage charges are shown with each channel type. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the mileage using the V&H coordinates method, as set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, then multiply the resulting number of miles times the Channel Mileage Facility per mile rate, and add the Channel Mileage Termination rate for each termination. When the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage and applying the rates. When more than one Telephone Company is involved in the provision of service, billing will be accomplished as set forth in 2.4.7 preceding.

When hubs are involved, mileage is computed and rates applied separately for each section of the Channel Mileage, i.e.,

- customer designated premises serving wire center to hub
- hub to hub and/or
- hub to customer designated premises serving wire center.

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7.2.5 Mileage Measurement (Cont'd)

However, when any service is routed through a hub for purposes other than customer specified bridging or multiplexing (e.g., the Telephone Company chooses to so route for test access purposes), rates will be applied only to the distance calculated between the serving wire centers associated with the customer designated premises.

See the service configuration example for multipoint service as set forth in 7.1.3(B) preceding.

7.2.6 **Facility Hubs**

A customer has the option of ordering Voice Grade service or High Capacity services (i.e., DS1, DS1C, DS2, DS3 or DS4) to a facility hub for channelizing to individual services requiring lower capacity facilities (e.g., Voice Grade, Digital Data).

Different locations may be designated as hubs for different facility capacities, e.g., multiplexing from digital to digital may occur at one location while multiplexing from digital to analog may occur at a different location. When placing an Access Order the customer will specify the desired hub. NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 identifies serving wire centers, hub locations and the type of multiplexing functions available.

Some of the types of multiplexing available include the following:

- from higher to lower bit rate
- from higher to lower bandwidth
- from high capacity to voice frequency channels.

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7.2 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

7.2.6 Facility Hubs (Cont'd)

Point to point services may be provided on channels of these services to a hub. The transmission performance for the point to point service provided between customer designated premises will be that of the lower capacity or bit rate. For example, when a 1.544 Mbps channel is multiplexed to voice frequency channels, the transmission performance of the channelized services will be Voice Grade, not High Capacity.

The Telephone Company will commence billing the monthly rate for the service to the hub on the date specified by the customer on the Access Individual channels utilizing these services may be installed coincident with the installation of the service to the hub or may be ordered and/or installed at a later date, at the option of the customer. The customer will be billed for a Voice Grade or a High Capacity Channel Termination, Channel Mileage (when applicable), and the multiplexer at the time the service is installed. Individual service rates (by service type) will apply for a Channel Termination and additional Channel Mileage (as required) for each channelized service. These will be billed to the customer as each individual service is installed.

Cascading multiplexing occurs when a High Capacity service is de-multiplexed to provide channels with a lesser capacity and one of the lesser capacity channels is further de-multiplexed. For example, a 6.312 Mbps High Capacity service is de-multiplexed to four DS1 channels and then one of the DS1 channels is further de-multiplexed to 24 individual Voice Grade channels.

When cascading multiplexing is performed, whether in the same or a different hub, a charge for the additional multiplexing unit also applies. When cascading multiplexing is performed at different hubbing locations, Channel Mileage charges also apply between the hubs.

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7.2 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

7.2.7 Mixed Use Analog and Digital High Capacity Services

Mixed use refers to a rate application applicable only when the customer orders High Capacity Special Access facilities between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub where the Telephone Company performs multiplexing/de-multiplexing functions and the same customer then orders the derived channels as Special and Switched Access Services. If the customer has Switched Access Service between a customer designated premises and an end office that is multiplexed at a Telephone Company hub and subsequently orders the derived channels as Special and Switched Access Service, rates and charges will apply as if the service were ordered as mixed use.

The High Capacity facility will be ordered, provided and rated as Special Access Service (i.e., Channel Termination, Channel Mileage, as appropriate, and Multiplexing Arrangement). The nonrecurring charge that applies when the mixed use facility is installed will be the nonrecurring charge associated with the appropriate Special Access High Capacity Channel Termination. Rating as Special Access will continue until such time as the customer chooses to use a portion of the available capacity for Switched Access Service. Individual service (i.e., Switched or Special Access) nonrecurring charges will not apply to the individual channels of the mixed use facility.

When Special Access Service is provided utilizing a channel of the mixed use facility to a hub, High Capacity rates and charges will apply for the facility to the hub, as set forth preceding, and individual service rates and charges will apply from the hub to the customer designated premises. The rates and charges that will apply to the portion from the hub to the customer designated premises will be dependent on the specific type of Special Access Service that is provided. The applicable rates and charges will include a Channel Termination and Channel Mileage, if applicable. Rates and charges for Optional Features and Functions associated with the service, if any, will apply for the appropriate channel type.

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7.2.7 Mixed Use Analog and Digital High Capacity Services (Cont'd)

As each individual channel is activated for Switched Access Service, the High Capacity Special Access Channel Termination, Channel Mileage, and Multiplexing rates will be reduced accordingly (e.g., 1/24th for a DS1 service, 1/672nd for a DS3 service, etc.). Switched Access Service rates and charges, as set forth in 17.2 following, will apply for each channel that is used to provide a Switched Access Service. Additionally, the Switched Access Service Entrance Facility, Direct Trunked Transport, and Multiplexing charges, if applicable, will be reduced by multiplying their respective rates by the ratio of derived Switched Access Service channels to the total number of Voice Grade channels that can be derived.

The customer must place an order for each individual Switched or Special Access Service utilizing the Mixed Use Facilities and specify the channel assignment for each such service.

7.2.8 Individual Case Billing Arrangements

The Telephone Company may, in response to competitive requests for proposal, develop a responsive individual case billing arrangement for private line service.

Prices quoted may be different from those in effect in this tariff but will be set at a level that is at least equal to the relevant incremental costs for the requested service. Relevant incremental costs would include the appropriate Universal Service Element as specified in PSC No. 2. such prices will also be available for similarly situated customers. Appropriate cost support will be submitted to the Commission.

The Telephone Company will report the following information in a tariff addendum within 30 days after individual case billing arrangement implementation:

- LATA, serving wire center 1)
- 2) Service description
- 3) Rates and Charges
- 4) Number of lines, loops, or circuits, as appropriate
- 5) Length of agreement

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7.3 Surcharge for Special Access Service

7.3.1 General

Special access services provided under this tariff may be subject to the monthly Special Access Surcharge.

7.3.2 **Application**

- The Special Access Surcharge will apply to each Intrastate Special Access Service that terminates on an end user's PBX or other device, where through a function of the device, the Special Access Service interconnects to the local exchange network. Interconnection functions include, but are not limited to, wiring and software functions, bridging, switching or patching of calls or stations. The Surcharge will apply irrespective of whether the interconnection function is performed in equipment located at the customer's premises or in a Centrex CO-type switch.
- (B) Special Access Service will be exempted from the Surcharge by the Telephone Company upon receipt of the customer's written certification for the following Special Access Service terminations:
 - (1) an open-end termination in a Telephone Company switch of an FX line, including CCSA and CCSA-equivalent ONALs; or
 - (2) an analog channel termination that is used for radio or television program transmission; or
 - (3) a termination used for TELEX service; or
 - (4) a termination that by the nature of its operating characteristics could not make use of Telephone Company common lines such as, terminations which are restricted through hardware or software; or

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7.3 <u>Surcharge for Special Access Service</u>

7.3.2 Application

- (B) (Cont'd)
 - (5) a termination that interconnects either directly or indirectly to the local exchange network where the usage is subject to Carrier Common Line charges such as, where the Special Access Service accesses only FGA and no local exchange lines, or Special Access Service between customer points of termination, or Special Access Service connecting CCSA or CCSA-type equipment (inter-machine trunks); or
 - (6) a termination that the customer certifies to the Telephone Company is not connected to a PBX or other device which interconnects the Special Access Service to a local exchange subscriber line.

7.3.3 Exemption of Special Access Service

- (A) Special Access Services which are terminated as set forth in 7.3.2(B) preceding will be exempted from the Special Access Surcharge if the customer provides the Telephone Company with written exemption certification. The certification may be provided to the Telephone Company as follows:
 - at the time the Special Access Service is ordered or installed;
 - at such time as the service is reterminated to a device which does not interconnect the service to local exchange facilities; or
 - at such time as the service becomes associated with a Switched Access Service that is subject to Carrier Common Line Charges.

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7.3 Surcharge for Special Access Service

7.3.3 Exemption of Special Access Services (Cont'd)

- (B) The exemption certification is to be provided by the customer ordering the service. The certification must be signed by the customer or authorized representative and include the category of exemption, as set forth in 7.3.2(B) preceding, for each termination, and the date which the exemption is effective.
- (C) The customer shall also notify the Telephone Company when an exempted Special Access Service is changed or reterminated such that the exemption is no longer applicable.
- (D) The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to resolve any questions regarding the exemption certification. In addition, the Telephone Company may withhold exemption of the service until the questions are resolved.

7.3.4 Rate Regulations

(A) The surcharge will apply as set forth in 7.3.2(A) preceding, except that a surcharge will be assessed on a per voice grade equivalent basis for Special Access Services derived from High Capacity Special Access Services as illustrated in the following example:

Special Access Service	Voice Grade <u>Equivalent</u>	<u>Surcharge</u>	Monthly <u>Charge</u>
DS1	24 x	25	= \$600.00

The preceding example illustrates the maximum number of surcharges applicable to a DS1. If the customer claims exemption(s) as set forth in 7.3.3 preceding or, is not utilizing all available voice grade equivalents and has spare capacity, the number of surcharges would be reduced accordingly.

In the case of multipoint Special Access Services, one Special Access Surcharge will apply for each termination of a Special Access Channel at an end user's premises.

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7.3 Surcharge for Special Access Service

7.3.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

- (B) The Telephone Company will bill the appropriate Special Access Surcharge to the ordering customer for each Intrastate Special Access Service installed unless exemption certification is provided as set forth in 7.3.3 preceding.
- (C) If a written certification is not received at the time the Special Access Service is obtained, the Surcharge will be applied. Exempt status will become effective on the certification date indicated by the customer, subject to the regulations set forth in (D) following.
- (D) Crediting the Surcharge

The Telephone Company will cease billing the Special Access Surcharge when certification, as set forth in 7.3.3. preceding, is received. If the status of the Special Access Service was changed prior to receipt of the exemption certification, the Telephone Company will credit the customer's account, not to exceed ninety (90) days, based on the effective date of the change as specified by the customer in the letter of certification.

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7.6 Voice Grade Service

7.6.1 Basic Channel Description

A Voice Grade channel is a channel which provides voice frequency transmission capability in the nominal frequency range of 300 to 3000 Hz and may be terminated two-wire or four-wire. Voice Grade channels are provided between customer designated premises, between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub or hubs, or between a customer designated premises and a WATS Serving Office (WSO).

Voice Grade Special Access services are typically used for voice and voiceband data applications. Typical examples of voice grade circuits are Foreign Exchange lines (station end only), multipoint private line, voice trunk type, two-point voice grade data (one-way or simultaneous two-way), multipoint voice grade data, and voice grade telephoto or facsimile. These examples of applications are not intended to limit a customer's use of the channel nor to imply that the channel is limited to a particular use.

Rates and charges for Special Access Voice Grade Service are as set forth in 17.6.4 following. Technical Reference publications for Special Access Voice Grade Service are listed in 7.1.2(F) preceding.

7.6.2 Technical Specifications Packages and Network Channel Interfaces

Technical Specifications Packages are set forth in 15.2.1(C) following. Compatible network channel interfaces are set forth in 15.2.2(C)(3) following.

7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions

(A) Central Office Bridging Capability

- (1) Voice Bridging (two-wire and four-wire)
- (2) Data Bridging (two-wire and four-wire)

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7.6 Voice Grade Service (Cont'd)

7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

- (A) Central Office Bridging Capability (Cont'd)
 - (3) Telephoto Bridging (two-wire and four-wire)
 - (4) DATAPHONE Select-A-Station Bridging with sequential arrangement ports or addressable arrangement ports
 - (5) Telemetry and Alarm Bridging

Split Band, Active Bridging Passive Bridging Summation, Active Bridging

The rates for these options are set forth in 17.6.4(C)(1) following.

(B) <u>Central Office Multiplexing</u>

Voice to Telegraph Grade. An arrangement that converts a Voice Grade channel to Telegraph Grade channels using frequency division multiplexing.

The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(7) following.

(C) Conditioning

Conditioning provides more specific transmission characteristics for Voice Grade services. The rates for these options are set forth in 17.6.4(C)(2) following.

For two-point services, the parameters apply to each service as measured end-to-end. For multipoint services, the parameters apply as measured on each mid-link or as measured on each end link. C-Type conditioning and Data Capability may be combined on the same service.

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7.6 <u>Voice Grade Service</u> (Cont'd)

7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(C) Conditioning (Cont'd)

(1) C-Type Conditioning

C-Type Conditioning is provided for the additional control of attenuation distortion and envelope delay distortion on data services. The attenuation distortion and envelope delay distortion specifications for C-Type Conditioning are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service.

(2) <u>Improved Attenuation Distortion</u>*

Improved Attenuation Distortion upgrades the frequency versus loss limits of the channel. The technical specifications for Improved Attenuation Distortion are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. This option is available only when ordered in combination with C-Type Conditioning.

(3) Improved Envelope Delay Distortion*

Improved Envelope Delay Distortion upgrades the frequency versus delay response limits of the channel. The technical specifications for Improved Envelope Delay Distortion are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. This option is available only when ordered in combination with C-Type Conditioning.

* Improved Attenuation Distortion and Improved Envelope Delay Distortion will continue to be provided to all customers who were provided with either or both of these optional features in conjunction with C-Type Conditioning prior to May 4, 1988.

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7.6 Voice Grade Service (Cont'd)

7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(C) Conditioning (Cont'd)

(4) Data Capability (D Conditioning)

Data Capability provides transmission characteristics suitable for data communications. Specifically, Data Capability provides for the control of Signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio and intermodulation distortion. It is available for two-point services or three-point multipoint services.

The Signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio and intermodulation distortion parameter for Data Capability are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(3) following.

When a service equipped with Data Capability is used for voice communications, the quality of the voice transmission may not be satisfactory.

(5) Telephoto Capability

Telephoto Capability provides transmission characteristics telephotographic suitable for communications. Specifically, Telephoto Capability is provided for the control of attenuation distortion and envelope delay distortion on telephotographic services. The attenuation distortion and envelope delay distortion parameters for Telephoto Capability are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(4) following.

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7.6 Voice Grade Service (Cont'd)

7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(C) Conditioning (Cont'd)

(6) Sealing Current Conditioning

Sealing Current Conditioning is provided to help maintain continuity on dry metallic loops. It is usually associated with four-wire DA or NO type network channel interfaces.

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(D) <u>Customer Specified Premises Receive Level</u>

This option allows the customer to specify the receive level at the Point of Termination. The level must be within a specific range on effective four-wire transmission. The ranges are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(6) following.

(E) Improved Return Loss

(1) On Effective Four-Wire Transmission at Four-Wire Point of Termination (applicable to each two-wire port): Provides for a fixed 600 ohm impedance, variable level range and simplex reversal. Telephone Company equipment is required at the customer's premises where this option is ordered. The Improved Return Loss parameters are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(5) following.

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7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(E) Improved Return Loss

(2) On Effective Two-Wire Transmission at Two-Wire Point of Termination: Provides for more stringent Echo Control specifications. In order for this option to be applicable, the transmission path must be four-wire at one POT and two-wire at the other POT. Placement of Telephone Company equipment may be required at the customer's premises with the two-wire POT. The Improved Return Loss parameters are delineated in Technical Reference(s) for Voice Grade service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C) following.

(F) Signaling Capability

Signaling Capability provides for the ability to transmit signals from one customer premises to another customer premises on the same service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(8) following.

Network channel interfaces for Voice Grade Special Access service requiring signaling capability can be found in applicable Technical Reference publications listed in 7.1.2(F) preceding.

(G) Selective Signaling Arrangement

An arrangement that permits code selective ringing for up to ten codes on a multipoint service. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(9) following.

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7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(H) Transfer Arrangement

An arrangement that affords the customer an additional measure of flexibility in the use of an access channel(s). The arrangement can be utilized to transfer a leg of a Special Access Service to another channel that terminates in either the same or a different customer premises. A key activated or dial-up control service is required to operate the transfer arrangement. A spare channel, if required, is not included as part of the option. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(10) following.

(I) Public Packet Switching Network (PPSN) Interface Arrangement

An arrangement that provides the interface requirements that permit a Voice Grade service to interface with a Public Packet Switching Network packet switch located in a Telephone Company premises. The interface is compatible with X.25 and X.75 packet switching protocols as defined by the CCITT. This option is provided on an Individual Case Basis as set forth in 17.3.4(C)(11) following.

(J) Four-Wire/Two-Wire Conversions

When a customer requests that an effective four-wire channel be terminated with a two-wire channel interface at the customer designated premises, a four-wire to two-wire conversion is required. The customer will be charged the four-wire Channel Termination rate as set forth in 17.6.4 following when an effective four-wire is specified in the order for service. The rate for the conversion is included as part of the basic four-wire Channel Termination rate.

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7.6 <u>Voice Grade Service</u> (Cont'd)

7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(K) Improved Two-Wire Voice Transmission

(1) <u>Loss Deviation</u>

The maximum Loss Deviation of the 1004 Hz loss relative to the Expected Measured Loss (EML) is -4.0 dB to +4.0 dB.

(2) Attenuation Distortion

The maximum Attenuation Distortion in the 404 to 280 Hz frequency band relative to loss at 1004 Hz is -2.0 dB to +6.0 dB.

(3) <u>C-Message Noise</u>

The maximum C-Message Noise for the transmission path at the route miles listed is less than:

Route Miles	C-Message Noise
less than 50	35 dBrnco
51 to 100	37 dBrnco
101 to 200	40 dBrnco
201 to 400	43 dBrnco
401 to 1000	45 dBrnco

(4) Return Loss

The Return Loss, expressed as Echo Return Loss (ERL) and Singing Return Loss (SRL), is equal to or greater than:

ERL 13.0 dB SRL 6.0 dB

The rate for the provision of Improved Two-Wire Voice Transmission is included as part of the basic Channel Termination rate.

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 - 7.6 <u>Voice Grade Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 7.6.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)
 - (L) <u>Improved Termination Option</u>

Improved Termination provides for a fixed 600 ohm impedance, an extended range of transmission levels, and simplex reversal (when applicable) on an effective four-wire channel. Telephone Company equipment is required at the Customer's premise where this option is ordered. The rate for this option is set forth in 17.6.4(C)(12) following, and is applied per Channel Termination.

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7.9 <u>Digital Data Service</u>

7.9.1 Basic Channel Description

A Digital Data channel is a channel for duplex four-wire transmission of synchronous serial data at the rate of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2, 56 or 64 Kbps. The actual bit rate is a function of the channel interface selected by the customer. The channel provides a synchronous service with timing provided by the Telephone Company through the Telephone Company's facilities to the customer in the received bit stream. Digital Data channels are only available via Telephone Company designated hubs and are provided between customer designated premises or between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub or hubs. The 64 Kbps speed requires B8ZS Line Code Formatted Signal as described in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000054. The wire centers providing CCC are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC., WIRE CENTER INFORMATION, TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

The customer may provide the Channel Service Unit-type equipment or other Network Channel Terminating Equipment associated with the Digital Data channel at the customer premises.

The Telephone Company will provide a channel capable of meeting a monthly average performance equal to or greater than 99.875% error-free seconds (if provided through a Digital Data hub) while the channel is in service, if it is measured through a CSU equivalent which is designed, manufactured, and maintained to conform with the specifications contained in Technical Reference(s) for Digital Data Service.

Rates and charges for Special Access Digital Data Service are as set forth in 17.6.7 following. Technical Reference publications for Special Access Digital Data Service are listed in 7.1.2(F) preceding.

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7.9 Digital Data Service

7.9.2 Technical Specifications Packages and Network Channel Interfaces

Technical Specifications Packages are set forth in 15.2.1(F) following. Compatible channel interfaces are set forth in 15.2.2(C)(6) following.

The following network channel interfaces (NCIs) define the bit rates that are available for a Digital Data channel:

<u>NCI</u>	Bit Rate
DU-24	2.4 Kbps
DU-48	4.8 Kbps
DU-96	9.6 Kbps
DU-19	19.2 Kbps
DU-56	56.0 Kbps
DU-64	64.0 Kbps

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7.9 Digital Data Service (Cont'd)

7.9.3 **Optional Features and Functions**

(A) Central Office Bridging Capability

This optional feature connects three or more customer designated premises at Telephone Company designated hubs.

(B) **Transfer Arrangement**

An arrangement that affords the customer an additional measure of protection and/or flexibility in the use of their access channel(s) on a 1xN basis. The arrangement can be utilized to transfer a leg of a Special Access Service to either a spare or working channel that terminates in either the same or a different customer designated premises. This arrangement is only available at a Telephone Company designated hub. A key activated or dial-up control service is required to operate the transfer arrangement. A spare channel, if required, is not included as a part of the option.

(C) Public Packet Switching Network (PPSN) Interface Arrangement

An arrangement that provides the interface requirements that permit a Digital Data Service to interface with a Public Packet Switching Network packet switch located in a Telephone Company premises. The interface is compatible with X.25 and X.75 packet switching protocols as defined by the CCITT.

The table set forth in 15.2.1(F) following shows the technical specifications packages with which the optional features and functions are available.

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7.10 High Capacity Service

7.10.1 Basic Channel Description

A High Capacity channel is a channel for the transmission of nominal 64.0 Kbps* or 1.544, 3.152, 6.132, 44.736, or 274.176 Mbps isochronous serial data. The actual bit rate is a function of the channel interface selected by the customer. High Capacity channels are provided between customer designated premises or between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub or hubs.

The customer may provide the Network Channel Terminating Equipment associated with the High Capacity channel at the customer's premises.

A channel with technical specifications package HC1 will be capable of an error-free second performance of 98.75% over a continuous 24 hour period as measured at the 1.544 Mbps rate through a CSU equivalent which is designed, manufactured, and maintained to conform with the specifications contained in Technical Reference(s) for High Capacity Service.

Rates and charges for Special Access High Capacity Service are as set forth in 17.6.8 following. Technical Reference publications for Special Access High Capacity service are listed in 7.1.2(F) preceding.

Available only as a channel of a 1.544 Mbps facility to a Telephone Company Digital Data hub or as a cross connect of two 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 56.0 or 64.0 Kbps channels of two 1.544 Mbps facilities to a Digital Data hub(s). The customer must provide system and channel assignment data.

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7.10 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

7.10.2 Technical Specifications Packages and Network Channel Interfaces

Technical Specifications Packages are set forth in 15.2.1(G) following. Compatible channel interfaces are set forth in 15.2.2(C)(7) following.

The following network channel interfaces (NCIs) define the bit rates that are available for a High Capacity channel:

<u>NCI</u>	Bit Rate
DS-15*	1.544 Mbps (DS1)
DS-27	274.176 Mbps (DS4)
DS-31	3.152 Mbps (DS1C)
DS-44	44.736 Mbps (DS3)
DS-63	6.312 Mbps (DS2)

A 64.0 Kbps channel is available as a channel(s) of a 1.544 Mbps channel to a Telephone Company hub.

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7.10 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

7.10.3 **Optional Features and Functions**

(A) Automatic Loop Transfer

The Automatic Loop Transfer provides protection on a 1xN basis against failure of the facilities between a customer designated premises and the wire center serving that premises. Protection is furnished through the use of a switching arrangement that automatically switches to a spare channel line when a working line fails. The spare channel is not included as a part of the option. This option requires compatible equipment at both the serving wire center and the customer designated premises. The customer is responsible for providing the equipment at its designated premises. Equipment at the customer designated premises will be provided under tariff only if it existed in the Telephone Company inventory as of November 18, 1983.

(B) **Transfer Arrangement**

An arrangement that affords the customer an additional measure of flexibility in the use of their access channel(s). arrangement can be utilized to transfer a leg of a Special Access Service to either a spare or working channel that terminates in either the same or a different customer designated premises. A key activated or dial-up control service is required to operate the transfer arrangement. A spare channel, if required, is not included as part of the option.

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7. Special Access Service (Cont'd)

7.10 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

7.10.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(C) Central Office Multiplexing

(1) DS4 to DS1

An arrangement that converts a 274.176 Mbps channel to 168 DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

(2) DS3 to DS1

An arrangement that converts a 44.736 Mbps channel to 28 DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

(3) DS2 to DS1

An arrangement that converts a 6.312 Mbps channel to four DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

(4) DS1C to DS1

An arrangement that converts a 3.152 Mbps channel to two DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

(5) DS1 to Voice

An arrangement that converts a 1.544 Mbps channel to 24 channels for use with Voice Grade Services. A channel(s) of this DS1 to the Hub can also be used for a Digital Data Service.

(6) DS1 to DS0

An arrangement that converts a 1.544 Mbps channel to 23 64.0 Kbps channels utilizing digital time division multiplexing.

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Special Access Service (Cont'd) 7.

7.10 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

7.10.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

Central Office Multiplexing (Cont'd) (C)

(7) DS0 to Subrate

An arrangement that converts a 64.0 Kbps channel to subspeeds of up to twenty 2.4 Kbps, ten 4.8 Kbps, or five 9.6 Kbps channels using digital time division multiplexing.

The table set forth in 15.2.1(G) following shows the technical specifications packages with which the optional features and functions are available.

(D) Clear Channel Capability (CCC)

- (1) CCC is an arrangement that allows a customer to transport 1.536 Mbps information rate signals over a 1.544 Mbps High Capacity channel or over a 1.544 Mbps High Capacity channel derived from a multiplexed 44.736 Mbps High Capacity channel with no constraint on the quantity or sequence of one and zero bits. This arrangement requires the customer signal at the channel interface to conform to Bipolar with Eight Zero Substitution (B8ZS) line code as described in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000054.
- (2) CCC is provided, subject to availability of facilities, on DS1/1.544 Mbps High Capacity channels between two customer designated premises and on multiplexed DS3/44.736 Mbps High Capacity channels or multiplexed DS1/1.544 Mbps High Capacity channels between a telephone company hub office and a customer designated premises. The wire centers providing CCC are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC., WIRE CENTER INFORMATION, TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

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- 7. <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 7.10 <u>High Capacity Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 7.10.3 Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)
 - (D) <u>Clear Channel Capability (CCC)</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) The CCC optional feature may be ordered at the same time the High Capacity service is ordered or it may be ordered as an addition to an existing High Capacity Service. The customer must agree to out-of-service periods required to add this feature to an existing High Capacity Service. CCC is a nonchargeable optional feature.

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7. <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

7.11 <u>Individual Case Filings</u>

Certain services set forth in Special Access Service, Section 7. are provided on an Individual Case Basis. Rates and charges for Special Access Service provided on an Individual Case Basis are set forth in 17.6.9 following.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 8 BILLING AND COLLECTION SERVICES

8.1 General

The Telephone Company will provide the following services:

- Non-Bottleneck Billing and Collection Service
- Recording Service
- Automatic Number Identification (ANI)

8.2 Reserved for Future Use

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8.3 Recording Service

The Telephone Company will provide Recording Service in association with the offering of Feature Groups B for 900 Access Service, C and D Switched Access Service for customer messages that can be recorded by Telephone Company provided automatic message accounting equipment. In addition, where the Telephone Company records the customer messages on manual tickets, the Telephone Company will provide Recording Service for the manual tickets and at offices where the Telephone Company provides Feature Group A Switched Access Service and has the ability to record Feature Group A call detail with automatic message accounting equipment and mark the recorded call detail as Feature Group A call detail for a specific customer, the Telephone Company will provide Recording Service for Feature Group A Switched Access Service. At the request of the customer, Recording Service will be provided for Feature Group D Switched Access Service on an end office and type of call basis. Type of call means message telecommunications service (MTS) including 700 and 900 Service, calls originating and/or terminating over a WATS access line, and station message detail recording for MTS and calls originating from a WATS access line.

The Telephone Company will provide Recording Service in its operating territory. The minimum territory for which the Telephone Company will provide Recording Service is all the appropriately equipped offices in a state operating territory for which the customer has ordered Feature Group A, B for 900 service, C, or D Switched Access Service.

8.4 Automatic Number Identification (ANI)

ANI provides the automatic transmission of a seven or ten digit number and information digits to the customer's premises for calls originating in the LATA, to identify the calling station. The ANI feature is an end office software function which is associated on a call-by-call basis with (1) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group routed directly between an end office and a customer's premises or, where technically feasible, with (2) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group between an end office and an access tandem, and a trunk group between an access tandem and a customer's premises.

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8.5 Rate Regulations

When Automatic Number Identification (ANI) is delivered (with Feature Group D originating) and the customer is charged the recording rate as set forth in Section 17.4.2, the ANI rate does not apply. If the customer is not charged the recording rate, the ANI rate will apply for each ANI delivered to the customer.

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8.6 Billing Name and Address Service

Billing Name and Address (BNA) Service is the provision of the complete billing name, street address, city or town, state and zip code for a telephone number assigned by the Telephone Company.

BNA Service is provided for the sole purpose of permitting the customer to bill its telephonic communications services to its end users and may not be resold or used for any other purpose, including marketing activity such as market surveys or direct marketing by mail or by telephone.

The customer may not use BNA information to bill for merchandise, gift certificates, catalogs or other services or products.

8.6.1 General Description

BNA Service is provided on both a manual and a mechanized basis. On a manual basis the information will be provided by voice telecommunications or by mail, as appropriate. On a mechanized basis, the information will be entered on magnetic tape containing recorded customer messages.

BNA information is furnished for sent-paid, collect, bill to third number, 700 and 900 service messages and messages charged to a calling card that is resident in the Telephone Company's data base. In addition, BNA information for messages originated from data terminal numbers (DTNs) of data communications services is furnished on a manual basis only.

When requested by the customer, a Master BNA List containing the end users currently presubscribed to that customer will be provided by paper or magnetic tape. The charges for each Master BNA list provided is as set forth in Section 17 following.

8.6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company

(A) Upon request from an authorized supervisor of the customer who furnished the Personal Identification Number (PIN) assigned by the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will provide BNA information on a manual basis.

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8.6 <u>Billing Name and Address Service</u> (Cont'd)

8.6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

(A) (Cont'd)

Telephone requests for information on up to 16 telephone numbers will be responded to on line. Telephone requests for information on over 16 and up to 100 telephone numbers will be responded to by a call back by the next business day.

A request for information on over 100 and up to 500 telephone numbers should be mailed to the Telephone Company. The Telephone Company will provide the response by first class U.S. Mail within ten business days.

(B) Upon receipt of a magnetic tape of recorded customer messages, the Telephone Company will, at the request of the customer, provide BNA Service on a mechanized basis. The tape of messages may be provided by the customer or, where the customer subscribes to Recording Service as set forth in 8.3 preceding, may be the output from that service. The Telephone company will enter the BNA information on the recorded message tape and send the tape to the customer by first class U.S. Mail. Other methods of delivering the data may be negotiated, and charges based on cost will apply.

The Telephone Company will provide a response to customer-provided tapes by mail within six business days of receipt. The Telephone Company will process and mail tapes which are the output of Recording Service every fifth business day.

- (C) The Telephone Company will specify the format in which requests and tapes are to be submitted.
- (D) The BNA information will be provided for the calling number furnished to the extent a billing name and address exists in the Telephone Company Customer Records Information System (CRIS), including non-published numbers. If the billing name and address information for a specific calling number is confidential due to legal, national security, end user or regulatory imposed requirements, the Telephone company will provide an indicator on the confidential records.

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8.6 <u>Billing Name and Address Service</u> (Cont'd)

8.6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

- (E) The Telephone Company will provide the most current BNA information resident in its data base. Due to normal end user account activity, there may be instances where the BNA information provided is not the BNA that was applicable at the time the message was originated.
- (F) Upon request from the customer the Master BNA List will include all presubscribed FGD end users. The Telephone Company shall use reasonable efforts to provide accurate and complete lists. The Telephone Company makes no warranties, expressed or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of these lists.

Upon request by the customer, the Telephone Company will provide a Recent Change BNA List of changes in billing name and address for the customer's presubscribed end users which will include change of telephone numbers, moves and disconnected lines. The Recent Change BNA List will be available on a monthly basis. The charges for each Recent Change BNA List provided is set forth in Section 17 following.

8.6.3 Obligations of the Customer

- (A) With each order by BNA Service, the customer shall identify the authorized individual and address to receive the BNA information. Further, when BNA Service on a manual basis is ordered, the customer will identify in writing and include the PIN assigned by the Telephone Company of all authorized individuals who will contact the Telephone Company.
- (B) A customer which orders BNA Service on a mechanized basis and which intends to submit tapes of recorded messages for processing must provide the Telephone Company with an acceptable test tape or transmission which includes all call types for which BNA information may be requested.

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8.6 <u>Billing Name and Address Service</u> (Cont'd)

8.6.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

- (C) The customer shall institute adequate internal procedures to insure that BNA information, including that related to non-published telephone numbers, is used only for the purpose set forth in this tariff and that BNA information is available only to those customer personnel or agents with a need to know the information. The customer must handle all billing name and address information designated as confidential by the Telephone Company in accordance with Telephone Company's procedures concerning confidential information. The Telephone Company will provide to the customer a statement of its procedures concerning confidential information.
- (D) The customer shall not publicize or represent to others that the Telephone Company participates with the customer in the development of the customer's end user records, accounts, data bases or market data, records, files and data bases or other systems it assembles through the use of BNA Service.
- (E) When the customer orders BNA Service for both interstate and intrastate messages, the projected interstate percentage of use must be provided in a whole number to the Telephone Company. The Telephone Company will designate the number obtained by subtracting the projected interstate percentage from 100 (100 projected interstate percentage = intrastate percentage) as the projected intrastate percentage.

This whole number percentage will be used by the Telephone Company to apportion the rates and nonrecurring charges between interstate and intrastate in those circumstances where the recorded message detail is not sufficient to permit the Telephone Company to determine the appropriate jurisdiction. This percentage will remain in effect until a revised report is received as set forth following.

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8.6 <u>Billing Name and Address Service</u> (Cont'd)

8.6.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

(E) (Cont'd)

Effective on the first of January, April, July and October of each year the customer may update the jurisdictional report. The customer shall forward to the Telephone Company, to be received no later than 20 calendar days after the first of each such month, a revised report showing the interstate percentage of use for the past three months ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively. Except where jurisdiction can be determined from the recorded message detail, the revised report will serve as the basis for the next three months billing and will be effective on the bill date in the following month (i.e., February, May, August and November.) No prorating or back billing will be done based on the report. If the customer does not supply the report, the Telephone Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the last quarterly report. For those cases in which a quarterly report has never been received from the customer, the Telephone Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the order for service.

8.6.4 Rate Regulations

- (A) Service Establishment Charges apply for the initial establishment of BNA Service on a manual basis and for the initial establishment of BNA Service on a mechanized basis.
- (B) A charge applies for each request for BNA information for a telephone number or DTN number on a manual basis. A charge applies for each message processed to supply BNA information on a mechanized basis.

The Telephone Company will keep a count of the requests and of the messages processed. The Telephone Company will bill the customer in accordance with these counts whether or not the Telephone Company was able to provide BNA information for all requests and messages.

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- 8.6 Billing Name and Address Service (Cont'd)
 - 8.6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - (B) Cont'd)

A charge applies for each customer specific Master BNA listing provided.

(C) Where the recorded message detail is sufficient to determine a message is an intrastate message, the rates set forth in Section 17 following apply to each such message.

Service Establishment Charges and usage for which the recorded message detail is insufficient to determine jurisdiction will be prorated by the Telephone Company between interstate and intrastate.

The percentages provided in the reports as set forth in 8.6.3(E) preceding will serve as the basis for prorating the charges. The intrastate charges are determined as follows:

- (1) For the Service Establishment Charge, multiply the intrastate percent times the stated tariff rate.
- (2) For usage sensitive (i.e., requests or messages processed) chargeable rate elements, multiply the intrastate percent times actual use times the stated tariff rate.
- (D) When a customer cancels an order for BNA Service after the order date, the Service Establishment Charge applies.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 11 Special Facilities Routing of Access Services

11.1 <u>Description</u>

The services provided under this tariff are provided over such routes and facilities as the Telephone Company may elect. Special Facilities Routing is involved when, in order to comply with requirements specified by the customer, the Telephone Company provides Switched Access Service, in a manner which includes one or more of the conditions provided in 11.1.1 through 11.1.4 following.

Avoidance and Diversity are available on Switched Access Service as set forth in Section 6. preceding.

In order to avoid the compromise of special routing information, the Telephone Company will provide the required routing information for each specially routed service to only the ordering customer. If requested by the customer, this information will be provided when service is installed and prior to any subsequent changes in routing.

The rates and charges for Special Facilities Routing of Access Services are developed on an individual case basis. Such rates and charges for Special Facilities Routing of Access Services are as set forth in Section 17 following and are in addition to all other rates and charges that may be applicable for services provided under other sections of this tariff.

11.1.1 Diversity

Two or more circuits must be provided over not more than two different physical routes.

11.1.2 Avoidance

A circuit(s) must be provided on a route which avoids specified geographical locations.

11.1.3 <u>Diversity and Avoidance Combined</u>

A service must be provided in accordance with 11.1.1 and 11.1.2 preceding, combined.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 12 Specialized Service Or Arrangements

12.1 General

Specialized Service or Arrangements may be provided by the Telephone Company, at the request of a customer, on an individual case basis if such service or arrangements meet the following criteria:

- The requested service or arrangements are not offered under other sections of this tariff.
- The facilities utilized to provide the requested service or arrangements are of a type normally used by the Telephone Company in furnishing its other services.
- The requested service or arrangements are provided within a LATA.
- The requested service or arrangements are compatible with other Telephone Company services, facilities, and its engineering and maintenance practices.
- This offering is subject to the availability of the necessary Telephone Company personnel and capital resources.

Rates and charges and additional regulations if applicable, for Specialized Service or Arrangements are provided on an individual case basis and are as set forth in Section 17 following.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 13

Additional Engineering, Additional Labor and Miscellaneous Services

13.1 addresses Additional Engineering. 13.2 addresses Additional Labor (which is comprised of Overtime Installation, Overtime Repair, Stand by, Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies, and Other Labor). 13.3 addresses Miscellaneous Services (which are comprised of Testing Services, Maintenance of Service and Telecommunications Service Restoration Priority).

In this section, normally scheduled working hours are an employee's scheduled work period in any given calendar day (e.g., 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) for the application of rates based on working hours.

A Miscellaneous Service Order charge as described in 5.4.2 preceding may be applicable to services ordered from this section.

13.1 Additional Engineering

Additional Engineering, including engineering reviews as set forth in 5.4.3 preceding, will be undertaken only after the Telephone Company has notified the customer that additional engineering charges apply as set forth in Section 17 following, and the customer agrees to such charges.

Additional Engineering will be provided by the Telephone Company at the request of the customer only when:

- (A) A customer requests additional technical information after the Telephone Company has already provided the technical information normally included on the Design Layout Report (DLR) as set forth in 6.1.5.
- (B) A customer requested Design Change requires the expenditure of additional engineering time. Such additional engineering time is incurred by the Telephone Company for the engineering review as set forth in 5.4.3 preceding. The charge for additional engineering time relating to the engineering review, which is undertaken to determine if a design change is indeed required, will apply whether or not the customer authorizes the Telephone Company to proceed with the Design Change. In this case the Design Change charge, as set forth in Section 17 following, does not apply unless the customer authorizes the Telephone Company to proceed with the Design Change.

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13.2 Additional Labor

Additional Labor is that labor requested by the customer on a given service and agreed to by the Telephone Company as set forth in 13.2.1 through 13.2.5 following. The Telephone Company will notify the customer that additional labor charges as set forth in Section 17 following will apply before any additional labor is undertaken. When provisioning or restoring Telecommunications Service Priority services, the Telephone Company will, when possible, notify the customer of the applicability of these Additional Labor charges.

13.2.1 Overtime Installation

Overtime installation is that Telephone Company installation effort outside of normally scheduled working hours.

13.2.2 Overtime Repair

Overtime repair is that Telephone Company effort performed outside of normally scheduled working hours.

13.2.3 Stand by

Stand by includes all time in excess of one-half (1/2) hour during which Telephone Company personnel stand by to make installation acceptance tests or cooperative tests with a customer to verify facility repair on a given service.

13.2.4 Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies

Additional testing, maintenance or repair of facilities which connect other telephone companies is that which is in addition to the normal effort required to test, maintain or repair facilities provided solely by the Telephone Company.

13.2.5 Other Labor

Other labor is that additional labor not included in 13.2.1 through 13.2.4 preceding and labor incurred to accommodate a specific customer request that involves only labor which is not covered by any other section of this tariff.

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13.3 Miscellaneous Services

13.3.1 Testing Services

Testing Services offered under this section of the tariff are optional and subject to rates and charges as set forth in Section 17 following. Other testing services, as described in Section 6 preceding, are provided by the Telephone Company in association with Access Services and are furnished at no additional charge.

Testing services are normally provided by Telephone Company personnel at Telephone Company locations. Additional labor charges apply when the customer requests Telephone Company personnel to perform testing services at the customer designated premises.

The offering of Testing Services under this section of the tariff is made subject to the availability of the necessary qualified personnel and test equipment at the various test locations mentioned in (A) following.

(A) Switched Access Service

Testing Services for Switched Access are comprised of (a) tests which are performed during the installation of a Switched Access Service, i.e., Acceptance Tests, (b) tests which are performed after customer acceptance of such access services and which are without charge i.e., routine testing and (c) additional tests which are performed during or after customer acceptance of such access services and for which additional charges apply, i.e., Additional Cooperative Acceptance Tests and in-service tests.

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13.3 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

13.3.1 <u>Testing Services</u> (Cont'd)

Switched Access Service (Cont'd) (A)

Routine tests are those tests performed by the Telephone Company on a regular basis, as set forth in 6.2.4 preceding which are required to maintain Switched Access Service. Additional in-service tests may be done on an automatic basis (no Telephone Company or customer technicians involved), on a manual basis Telephone Company technician(s) involved at Telephone Company office(s) and Telephone Company or customer technician(s) involved at the customer designated premises].

Testing services are ordered to the Dial Tone Office for FGA, to the access tandem or end office for FGB (wherever the FGB service is ordered) and to the end office for FGs C and D.

Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing (1)

Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing of Switched Access Service involves the Telephone Company provision of a technician at its office(s) and the customer provision of a technician at its premises, with suitable test equipment to perform the required tests.

Additional Cooperative Acceptance Tests may, for example, consist of the following tests:

- Impulse Noise О
- Phase Jitter 0
- Signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio 0
- Intermodulation (Nonlinear) 0 Distortion
- Frequency Shift (Offset) 0
- **Envelope Delay Distortion** О
- Dial Pulse Percent Break 0

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13.3 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

13.3.1 <u>Testing Services</u> (Cont'd)

Switched Access Service (Cont'd) (A)

Additional Automatic Testing (2)

Additional Automatic Testing (AAT) of Switched Access Services (Feature Groups B, C and D), is a service where the customer provides remote office test lines and 105 test lines with associated responders or their functional equivalent. The customer may order, at additional charges, gain-slope and C-notched noise testing and may order the routine tests (1004 Hz loss, C-Message Noise and Balance) on an as needed or more than routine schedule.

The Telephone Company will provide an AAT report that lists the test results for each trunk tested. Trunk test failures requiring customer participation for trouble resolution will be provided to the customer on an as-occurs basis.

The Additional Tests, (i.e., gain slope, C-notched noise, 1004 Hz loss, C-message noise and balance) may be ordered by the customer at additional charges, 60 days prior to the start of the customer prescribed schedule. The rates for Additional Automatic Tests are as set forth in Section 17 following.

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13.3 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

13.3.1 Testing Services (Cont'd)

Switched Access Service (Cont'd) (A)

Additional Manual Testing (3)

Additional Manual Testing (AMT) of Switched Access Services (Feature Groups A, B, C, and D) is a service where the Telephone Company provides a technician at its office(s) and the Telephone Company or customer provides a technician at the customer designated premises, with suitable test equipment to perform the required tests. additional tests will normally consist of gain-slope and C-notched noise testing. However, the Telephone Company will conduct any additional tests which the customer may request.

The Telephone Company will provide an AMT report listing the test results for each trunk tested. Trunk test failures requiring customer participation for trouble resolution will be provided to the customer on a per occurrence basis.

The Additional Manual Tests may be ordered by the customer at additional charges, 60 days prior to the start of the testing schedule as mutually agreed to by the customer and the Telephone Company.

The rates for Additional Manual Testing are as set forth in Section 17 following.

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13.3 <u>Miscellaneous Services</u> (Cont'd)

13.3.1 <u>Testing Services</u> (Cont'd)

- (A) <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - (4) Obligations of the Customer
 - (A) The customer shall provide the Remote Office Test Line priming data to the Telephone Company, as appropriate, to support routine testing as set forth in 6.2.4(B) preceding or AAT as set forth in 13.3.1(A)(2) preceding.
 - (B) The customer shall make the facilities to be tested available to the Telephone Company at times mutually agreed upon.

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13.3 <u>Miscellaneous Services</u> (Cont'd)

13.3.2 Maintenance of Service

- (A) When a customer reports a trouble to the Telephone Company for clearance and no trouble is found in the Telephone Company's facilities, the customer shall be responsible for payment of a Maintenance of Service charge as set forth in Section 17 following for the period of time from when Telephone Company personnel are dispatched, at the request of the customer, to the customer designated premises to when the work is completed. Failure of Telephone Company personnel to find trouble in Telephone Company facilities will result in no charge if the trouble is actually in those facilities, but not discovered at the time.
- (B) The customer shall be responsible for payment of a Maintenance of Service charge when the Telephone Company dispatches personnel to the customer designated premises, and the trouble is in equipment or communications systems provided by other than the Telephone Company or in detariffed CPE provided by the Telephone Company.

In either (A) or (B) preceding, no credit allowance will be applicable for the interruption involved if the Maintenance of Service Charge applies.

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13.3 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

13.3.3 Telecommunications Service Priority - TSP

(A) Priority installation and/or restoration of National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP) telecommunications services shall be provided in accordance with Part 64.401, Appendix A, of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Rules and Regulations.

In addition, TSP System service shall be provided in accordance with the guidelines set forth in "Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System for National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP) Service Vendor Handbook" (NCSH 3-1-2) dated July 9, 1990, and "Telecommunications Service Priority System for National Security Emergency Preparedness Service User Manual" (NCSM 3-1-1).

The TSP System is a service, developed to meet the requirements of the Federal Government, as specified in the Service Vendor's Handbook and Service User's Manual which provides the regulatory, administrative and operational framework for the priority installation and/or restoration of NSEP telecommunications services. The TSP System applies only to NSEP telecommunications services, and requires and authorizes priority action by the Telephone Company providing such services.

For Switched Access Service, the TSP System's applicability is limited to those services which the Telephone Company can discreetly identify for priority provisioning and/or restoration.

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13.3.3 Telecommunications Service Priority - TSP (Cont'd)

A Telecommunications Service Priority charge applies as set forth in Section 17 (B) when a request to provide or change a Telecommunications Service Priority is received subsequent to the issuance of an Access Order to install the service.

Additionally, a Miscellaneous Service Order Charge as set forth in Section 17 will apply to Telecommunications Service Priority requests that are ordered subsequent to the initial installation of the associated access service.

A Telecommunications Service Priority charge does not apply when a Telecommunications Service Priority is discontinued or when ordered coincident with an Access Order to install or change service.

In addition, Additional Labor rates as set forth in Section 17 may be applicable provisioning or restoring Switched Access Services Telecommunications Service Priority.

When the customer requests an audit or a reconciliation of the Telephone Company's Telecommunications Service Priority records, a Miscellaneous Service Order Charge and Additional Labor rates as set forth in Section 17 are applicable.

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13.3.4 Controller Arrangement

This arrangement enables the customer to control up to 48 transfer functions at a Telephone Company central office via a remote keyboard terminal capable of either 300 or 1200 bps operation. Included as part of the Controller Arrangement is a dial-up data station located at the Telephone Company Central Office to provide access to the Controller Arrangement. This dial-up data station consists of a 212A DATAPHONE data set and an appropriate Telephone Company provided channel.

The Controller Arrangement must be located in the same Telephone Company central office as the transfer functions which it controls.

Charges for the Controller Arrangement are set forth in Section 17 following.

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13.3.5 IntraLATA Presubscription

A. General

IntraLATA Presubscription (ILP) is an equal access end office service in which an end user may select and designate an Interexchange Carrier (IC) for intraLATA toll calls. This IC is referred to as the end user's primary carrier. The carrier may be the same carrier chosen for the end user's interLATA toll calls, or the end user may select a different carrier for each service. Interexchange Carriers participating in ILP within the Telephone Company's exchanges must provide service to any customer who requests it.

IntraLATA Presubscription will be furnished no later than eighteen months from the date of a bona fide request.

B. **ILP Notification**

The Interexchange Carrier will act as the end user's agent in selecting a primary carrier for intraLATA calls. Notification from the IC must be in writing. The IC must be in writing. The IC must attest at the time it submits an end user's name that the IC has on file, or is in the process of obtaining, end user certification. The IC should retain the certification for use in the event of a dispute.

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13.3.5 IntraLATA Presubscription (Cont'd)

B. ILP Notification (Cont'd)

If the Telephone Company receives no primary carrier selection for an end user, the Telephone Company's designated carrier will be the default provider of intraLATA toll service.

If an end user wishes to designate no intraLATA primary carrier, affirmative action is required. The end user must arrange this designation by direct notification to the Telephone Company's business office. This choice will require the end user to dial an access code (10XXX) for all intrastate toll service.

If an IC discontinues ILP service in the Telephone Company's serving area, the IC is obligated to contact, in writing, the Telephone Company and all end users who have selected the canceling IC. This notification must be received by the Telephone Company and all end users at least 180 days prior to the cancellation of service. Notification to the end users must include notice that they must select a new intraLATA primary carrier, and that the Primary Carrier Change Charge will be borne by the IC. The Telephone Company will bill the canceling IC one Primary Carrier Change Charge for each end user who makes an alternate selection.

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13.3.5 IntraLATA Presubscription (Cont'd)

C. Rate Regulations

- (1) New end users served by equal access end offices will be asked to select an intraLATA primary carrier when they initiate service with the Telephone Company. There will be no ILP charge for this initial primary carrier selection. <u>Any</u> authorized request to change an end user's predesignated intraLATA primary carrier will result in a Primary Carrier Change Charge to the end user.
- (2) An Unauthorized Primary Carrier Change is defined as a primary carrier change that the end user denies authorizing, and for which the IC is unable to provide certification. The charge for an unauthorized primary carrier change will be assessed to the IC initiating the change.
- (3) IC's participating in ILP will be assessed a recurring charge per month per presubscribed access line at rates and regulations found in Section 17.5(D).

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13.3.6 Originating Line Screening (OLS) Service

The Telephone Company will provide OLS Service to end user customers who obtain local exchange service from the Telephone Company under its general or local exchange tariffs. OLS service enables customers to determine whether there are billing restrictions on lines from which a call is placed.

Originating Line Screening information is provided through Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI) described in 6.9.3. Flex ANI provides a two digit code (information digits) that identifies the nature of the originating exchange line to the customer. The OLS service delivers a code on all calls that identifies an exchange line as being used for inmate services (code 29) or private payphone (code 70).

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13.3.7 Coin Supervision Additive Service

The Telephone Company will provide Coin Supervision Additive Service to Payphone Service Providers (PSPs) who order local exchange service lines for the provision of pay telephone service and where the pay telephone equipment connected to the local exchange service lines requires central office coin supervision capability. The local exchange service is obtained from and subject to the terms and conditions under the Telephone Company's general and/or local tariffs.

Coin Supervision Additive Service provides the capability of central office line equipment line equipment to pass signals and/or tones from an exchange service line to a trunk terminating at the PSP's operator service provider. These signals enable an operator service provider to recognize coin deposits and return coins to the pay telephone user. Coin Supervision Additive Service also permits a suitably equipped operator service provider to automatically ring back the originating exchange service line upon completion of a call.

13.3.8 Access Services Billing

Billing Mediums

The customer shall select the primary medium in which its official access service bills and customer service records are to be provided. This selection shall be on an account level basis, and shall be submitted in writing to the Telephone Company.

(A) Primary Bill

At no charge to the customer, the customer shall select as the primary billing medium one of the following billing formats: standard paper, magnetic tape, or data transmission. The primary billing medium shall serve as the customer's official bill. Should the customer fail to make a selection, the official copy of the customer's access service bills and customer service records will be provided in the standard paper format.

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13.3.8 Access Services Billing (Cont'd)

Upon acceptance by the Telephone Company of an order for electronic data transfer, the Telephone Company will determine the period of time to implement the transmission of such material on an individual order basis.

When magnetic tape or data transmission is requested as the primary monthly bill, the customer must sign a Document of Understanding.

When magnetic tape or data transmission is requested as the primary monthly bill, the customer will receive an abbreviated bill in paper format. The abbreviated bill will contain the following sections: All Page, Balance Due, Meet Point Billing Cross Reference, Detail of Payments Applied, Detail of Balance Due, Detail of Late Payment Charges, and Other Charges and Credits.

The Telephone Company will accept a request for change from one form of primary billing medium to another at no charge to the customer.

(B) Secondary/Additional Bills

At the customer's written request, a secondary bill, in addition to the customer's primary bill will be provided on a monthly basis. The customer may choose as the medium for the secondary bill one of the following formats: standard paper, magnetic tape, or data transmission. Charges for the provision of a secondary bill are set forth in 17.3.4 following.

Additional copies of a customer's previous monthly access service bills will be provided in paper format, or magnetic tape/data transmission if the original bill was generated in this format. Requests for additional copies of previous monthly bills must be submitted in writing and shall specify the bill dates requested. Such a request, when not the result of a Telephone Company error will be subject to charges as set forth in 17.3.4 following. Unless specified otherwise, additional copies of the customer's access service bills and/or magnetic tapes will be sent via U.S. Mail Service.

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15.1 contains Switched Access Service Options (which are comprised of Interface Groups, Supervisory Signaling, Entry Switch Receive Level and Local Transport Termination) and Transmission Specifications.

15.1 Switched Access Service

Ten Interface Groups are provided for terminating the Local Transport at the customer's designated premises. Each Interface Group provides a specified premises interface (e.g., two-wire, four-wire, DS1, etc.). Where transmission facilities permit, the individual transmission path between the customer's designated premises and the first point of switching may, at the option of the customer, be provided with optional features as set forth in 15.1.1 following.

As a result of the customer's access order and the type of Telephone Company transport facilities serving the customer designated premises, the need for signaling conversions or two-wire to four-wire conversions, or the need to terminate digital or high frequency facilities in channel bank equipment may require that Telephone Company equipment be placed at the customer designated premises. For example, if a voice frequency interface is ordered by the customer and the Telephone Company facilities serving the customer designated premises are digital, then Telephone Company channel bank equipment must be placed at the customer designated premises in order to provide the voice frequency interface ordered by the customer.

15.1.1 Local Transport Interface Groups

Interface Groups are combinations of technical parameters which describe the Telephone Company hand off at the point of termination at the customer designated premises. The technical specifications concerning the available interface groups are set forth in (A) through (D) following.

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15.1.1 <u>Local Transport Interface Groups</u> (Cont'd)

Interface Group 1 is Provided with Type C Transmission Specifications, as set forth in 15.1.2(C) following, and Interface Groups 2 through 10 are provided with Type A or B Transmission Specifications, as set forth respectively in 15.1.2(E) and (F) following, depending on the Feature Group and whether the Access Service is routed directly or through an access tandem. All Interface Groups are provided with Data Transmission Parameters.

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Only certain premises interfaces are available at the customer designated premises. The premises interfaces associated with the Interface Groups may vary among Feature Groups.

(A) Interface Group 1

Interface Group 1, except as set forth in the following, provides two-wire voice frequency transmission at the point of termination at the customer designated premises. The interface is capable of transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz.

Interface Group 1 is not provided in association with FGC and FGD when the first point of switching is an access tandem. In addition, Interface Group 1 is not provided in association with FGB, FGC or FGD when the first point of switching provides only four-wire terminations.

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15.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

15.1.1 <u>Local Transport Interface Groups</u> (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Interface Group 1</u> (Cont'd)

The transmission path between the point of termination at the customer designated premises and the first point of switching may be comprised of any form or configuration of plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for the transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz.

The interface is provided with loop supervisory signaling. When the interface is associated with FGA, such signaling will be loop start or ground start signaling. When the interface is associated with FGB, FGC or FGD, such signaling, except for two-way calling which is E&M signaling, will be reverse battery signaling.

(B) Interface Group 2

Interface Group 2 provides four-wire voice frequency transmission at the point of termination at the customer designated premises. The interface is capable of transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz.

The transmission path between the point of termination at the customer designated premises and the first point of switching may be comprised of any form or configuration of plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for the transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz.

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15.1.1 Local Transport Interface Groups (Cont'd)

(B) Interface Group 2 (Cont'd)

The interface is provided with loop supervisory signaling. When the interface is associated with FGA, such signaling will be loop start or ground start signaling. When the interface is associated with FGB, FGC or FGD, such signaling, except for two-way calling which is E&M signaling, will be reverse battery signaling.

(C) Interface Groups 3 through 5

Interface Groups 3 through 5 provide analog transmission at the point of termination at the customer designated premises. The various interfaces are capable of transmitting electrical signals at the frequencies illustrated following, with the capability to channelize voice frequency transmission paths. frequencies within the bandwidth of the Interface Groups are reserved for Telephone Company use, e.g., pilot and carrier group alarm tones. Before the first point of switching, the Telephone Company will provide multiplex equipment to derive the transmission paths of frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz.

The interfaces are provided with individual transmission path SF supervisory signaling.

Maximum No. of Interface Group Identification No.	Transmission Frequency <u>Bandwidth</u>	Analog <u>Hierarchy Level</u>	Channelized Voice Frequency <u>Trans Paths</u>
3	60 - 108 kHz	Group	12
4	312 - 552 kHz	Supergroup	60
5	564 - 3084 kHz	Mastergroup	600

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Local Transport Interface Groups (Cont'd) 15.1.1

Interface Groups 6 through 10 (D)

Interface Groups 6 through 10 provide digital transmission at the point of termination at the customer designated premises. The various interfaces are capable of transmitting electrical signals at the nominal bit rates illustrated following, with the capability to channelize voice frequency transmission paths. Before the first point of switching, when analog switching utilizing analog terminations is provided, the Telephone Company will provide multiplex and channel bank equipment to derive transmission paths of a frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz. When digital switching or analog switching with digital carrier terminations is provided, the Telephone Company will provide, at the first point of switching, a DS1 signal(s) in D3/D4 format.

The interfaces are provided with individual transmission path bit stream supervisory signaling.

Max. No. of			
Interface Group	Nominal Bit	Digital	Channelized Voice
Identification No.	Rate (Mbps)	Hierarchy Level	Freq. Trans. Paths
6	1.544	DS1	24
7	3.152	DS1C	48
8	6.312	DS2	96
9	44.736	DS3	672
10	274.176	DS4	4032

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15.1.1 Local Transport Interface Groups (Cont'd)

(E) Local Transport Optional Features

Where transmission facilities permit, the Telephone Company will, at the option of the customer, provide the following features in association with Local Transport. An Access Order Charge as specified in Section 17 following is applicable on a per order basis when non chargeable optional features are added subsequent to the installation of service.

Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level

Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level allows the customer to specify the receive transmission level at the first point of switching. The range of transmission levels which may be specified is described in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000334. This feature is available with Interface Groups 2 through 10 for Feature Groups A and B.

Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination

Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination allows the customer to specify, for Feature Group B routed directly to an end office or access tandem, a four-wire termination of the Local Transport at the first point of switching in lieu of a Telephone Company selected two-wire termination. This option is available only when the Feature Group B arrangement is provided with Type B Transmission Specifications.

Supervisory Signaling

Supervisory Signaling allows the customer to order an optional supervisory signaling arrangement for each transmission path provided where the transmission parameters permit, and where signaling conversion is required by the customer to meet its signaling capability.

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15.1.1 Local Transport Interface Groups (Cont'd)

(E) Local Transport Optional Features (Cont'd)

> The Interface Groups, as described in (A) through (D) preceding, represent industry standard arrangements. Where transmission parameters permit, the customer may select the following optional signaling arrangements in place of the signaling arrangements normally associated with the Interface Groups.

For Interface Groups 1 and 2 associated with FGB, FGC or FGD

DX Supervisory Signaling, E&M Type I Supervisory Signaling, E&M Type II Supervisory Signaling, or E&M Type III Supervisory Signaling

For Interface Group 2 associated with FGB, FGC or FGD and in addition to the preceding

SF Supervisory Signaling, or **Tandem Supervisory Signaling**

For Interface Groups 3 through 5

Optional Supervisory Signaling Not Available

For Interface Groups 6 through 10

These Interface Groups may, at the option of the customer, be provided with individual transmission path SF supervisory signaling where such signaling is available in Telephone Company central offices. Generally such signaling is available only where the first point of switching provides an analog (i.e., non digital) interface to the transport termination.

Additionally, in (F) following, there is a matrix of available Premises Interface Codes as a function of Interface Group, Telephone Company Switch Supervisory Signaling and Feature Group.

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15.1.1 <u>Local Transport Interface Groups</u> (Cont'd)

(F) Available Premises Interface Codes

Following is a matrix showing premises interface codes which are available for each Interface Group. Their availability is a function of the Telephone Company switch supervisory signaling and Feature Group. For explanations of these codes, see the Parameter Codes and Options as set forth in 15.1.4(A) following.

Interface	Telephone Company	Premises	<u>F</u> e	atur	e Gro	<u>up</u>
<u>Group</u>	Switch Super. Signaling	Interface Code	<u>A</u>	В	С	D
1	LO LO GO	2LS2 2LS3 2GS2	X X X			
	GO LO, GO, LO, GO,	2GS3 2DX3 4EA3-E	X X X			
	LO, GO LO, GO	4EA3-M 6EB3-E	X X			
	LO, GO RV, EA, EB, EC RV, EA, EB, EC	6EB3-M 2DX3 4EA3-E	Х	X X	X X	X X
	RV, EA, EB, EC RV, EA, EB, EC	4EA3-M 6EB3-E		X X	X X	X
	RV, EA, EB, EC EA, EB, EC	6EB3-M 6EC3		X	X X	X
	RV RV	2RV3-0 2RV3-T		X	X	X
2	LO, GO LO, GO LO LO	4SF2 4SF3 4LS2 4LS3	X X X			
	LO	6LS2	Χ			

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15.1.1 <u>Local Transport Interface Groups</u> (Cont'd)

(F) <u>Available Premises Interface Codes</u> (Cont'd)

Interface	Telephone Company	Premises				<u>oup</u>
Group	Switch Super. Signaling	Interface Code	<u>A</u>	В	С	D
2 (Cont'd)	GO	4GS2	X			
	GO	4GS3	X			
	GO	6GS2	X			
	LO, GO	4DX2	X			
	LO, GO	4DX3	X			
	LO, GO	6EA2-E	Х			
	LO, GO	6EA2-M	Χ			
	LO, GO	8EB2-E	Χ			
	LO, GO	8EB2-M	Χ			
	LO, GO	6EX2-B	Χ			
	RV, EA, EB, EC4S		Χ	Χ	Х	
	RV, EA, EB, EC4S					
	RV, EA, EB, EC4D		Χ	Χ	Χ	
	RV, EA, EB, EC4D					
	RV, EA, EB, EC6D)X2		Χ		
	RV, EA, EB, EC6E		Χ	Χ	Χ	
	RV, EA, EB, EC6E	A2-M	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	RV, EA, EB, EC8E	B2-E X	Χ	Χ		
	RV, EA, EB, EC8E	B2-M	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	EA, EB, EC	8EC2-M		Χ	Χ	
	RV	4RV2-O		Χ	Χ	Χ
	RV	4RV2-T	Χ	Χ	Χ	
	RV	4RV3-0		Χ	Χ	
	RV	4RV3-T	Χ	Χ		
3	LO, GO	4AH5-B	Х			
3	RV, EA, EB, EC4A		X	Χ	Χ	
		44410.0	.,			
4	LO, GO	4AH6-C	Х			
	RV, EA, EB, EC4A	M6-C	Х	Χ	Χ	
5	LO, GO	4AH6-D	Χ			
•	RV, EA, EB, EC4A	_	X	Χ	Х	
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15.1.1 <u>Local Transport Interface Groups</u> (Cont'd)

Available Premises Interface Codes (Cont'd) (F)

Interface	Telephone Company	Premises	Fea	ture	e Gr	oup
<u>Group</u>	Switch Supervisory Signaling	Interface Code		В		D
6	LO, G	4DS9-15	Χ			
	LO, GO	4DS9-15L	Χ			
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS9-15		Χ	Χ	Χ
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS9-15L		Χ	Χ	Χ
7	LO, GO	4DS9-31	Х			
	LO, GO	4DS9-31L	Χ			
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS9-31		Χ	Χ	Χ
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS9-31L		Χ	Χ	Χ
8	LO, GO	4DS0-63	Χ			
	LO, GO	4DS0-63L	Χ			
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS0-63		Χ	Χ	Х
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS0-63L		Χ	Χ	Χ
9	LO, GO	4DS6-44	Х			
-	LO, GO	4DS6-44L	Χ			
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS6-44		Х	Χ	Х
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS6-44L		Χ	Χ	Χ
10	LO, GO	4DS6-27	Х			
	LO, GO	4DS6-27L	Χ			
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS6-27		Χ	Χ	Χ
	RV, EA, EB, EC	4DS6-27L		Χ	Χ	Χ

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15.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

15.1.2 Standard Transmission Specifications

Descriptions of the transmission specifications available with each Feature Group as a function of the Interface Group selected by the customer, are set forth in (A) through (D) following. Descriptions of each of these Standard Transmission Specifications and the two Data Transmission Parameters mentioned are set forth respectively in (E) through (G) and 15.1.3(A) and (B) following:

(A) Feature Group A

FGA is provided with either Type B or Type C Transmission Specifications. The specifications for the associated parameters are guaranteed to the first point of switching. Type C Transmission Specifications are provided with Interface Group 1 and Type B is provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10. Type DB Data Transmission Parameters are provided with FGA to the first point of switching.

(B) Feature Group B

FGB is provided with either Type B or Type C Transmission Specifications. The specifications for the associated parameters are guaranteed to the end office when routed directly or to the first point of switching when routed via an access tandem. Type C Transmission Specifications are provided with Interface Group 1 and Type B is provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10. Type DB Data Transmission Parameters are provided with FGB to the first point of switching.

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15.1.2 Standard Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

Feature Group C (C)

FGC is provided with either Type B or Type C Transmission Specifications as follows:

- When routed directly to the end office either Type B or Type C is provided.
- When routed to an access tandem only Type B is provided.
- Type B or Type C is provided on the transmission path from the access tandem to the end office.

Type C Transmission Specifications are provided with Interface Group 1 when routed directly to an end office. Type B is provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10, whether routed directly to an end office or to an access tandem.

Type DB Data Transmission Parameters are provided with FGC for the transmission path between the customer designated premises and the end office when directly routed to the end office, and between the customer designated premises and the access tandem and between the access tandem and the end office when routed via an access tandem.

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15.1.2 Standard Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

Feature Group D (D)

FGD is provided with either Type A, Type B or Type C Transmission Specifications as follows:

- When routed to the end office either Type B or C is provided.
- When routed to an access tandem only Type A is provided.
- Type A is provided on the transmission path from the access tandem to the end office.

Type C Transmission Specifications are provided with Interface Group 1. Type A and Type B Transmission Specifications are provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10.

Type DB Data Transmission Parameters are provided with FGD for the transmission path between the customer designated premises and the end office when directly routed to the end office. Type DA Data Transmission Parameters are provided for the transmission path between the customer designated premises and the access tandem and between the access tandem and the end office when routed via an access tandem.

(E) Type A Transmission Specifications

Type A Transmission Specifications is provided with the following parameters:

(1) Loss Deviation

The maximum Loss Deviation of the 1004 Hz loss relative to the Expected Measured Loss (EML) is ± 2.0 dB

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(E) Type A Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(2) Attenuation Distortion

The maximum Attenuation Distortion in the 404 to 2804 Hz frequency band relative to the loss at 1004 Hz is -1.0 dB to +3.0 dB.

(3) C-Message Noise

The maximum C-Message Noise for the transmission path at the route miles listed is less than or equal to:

C-Message Noise
32 dBrnCO
34 dBrnCO
37 dBrnCO
40 dBrnCO
42 dBrnCO

(4) C-Notch Noise

The maximum C-Notch Noise, utilizing a -16 dBmO holding tone, is less than or equal to 45 dBrnCO.

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Type A Transmission Specifications (Cont'd) (E)

Echo Control (5)

Echo Control, identified as Equal Level Echo Path Loss, and expressed as Echo Return Loss and Singing Return Loss, is dependent on the routing, i.e., whether the service is routed directly from the customer's point of termination (POT) to the end office or via an access tandem. It is equal to or greater than the following:

	Echo <u>Return Loss</u>	Singing <u>Return Loss</u>
POT to Access Tandem POT to End Office	21 dB	14 dB
- Direct	N/A	N/A
- Via Access Tandem	16 dB	11 dB

(6) Standard Return Loss

Standard Return Loss expressed as Echo Return Loss and Singing Return Loss on two-wire ports of a four-wire point of termination shall be equal to or greater than:

Echo Return Loss	Singing Return Loss
5 dB	2.5 dB

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15.1.2 <u>Standard Transmission Specifications</u> (Cont'd)

(F) Type B Transmission Specifications

Type B Transmission Specifications are provided with the following parameters:

(1) Loss Deviation

The maximum Loss Deviation of the 1004 Hz loss relative to the Expected Measured Loss (EML) is \pm 2.5 dB.

(2) <u>Attenuation Distortion</u>

The maximum Attenuation Distortion in the 404 to 2804 Hz frequency band relative to loss at 1004 Hz is -2.0 dB to +4.0 dB.

(3) <u>C-Message Noise</u>

The maximum C-Message Noise for the transmission path at the route miles listed is less than or equal to:

	<u>C-Message Noise*</u>		
Route Miles	Type B1	Type B2	
less than 50	32 dBrnCO	35 dBrnCO	
51 to 100	33 dBrnCO	37 dBrnCO	
101 to 200	35 dBrnCO	40 dBrnCO	
201 to 400	37 dBrnCO	43 dBrnCO	
401 to 1000	39 dBrnCO	45 dBrnCO	

(4) C-Notch Noise

The maximum C-Notch Noise, utilizing a -16 dBm0 holding tone is less than or equal to 47 dBrnCO.

* For Feature Groups C and D only Type B2 will be provided. For Feature Groups A and B, Type B1 or B2 will be provided as set forth in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000334.

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15.1.2 <u>Standard Transmission Specifications</u> (Cont'd)

(F) Type B Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(5) Echo Control

Echo Control, identified as Impedance Balance for FGA and FGB and Equal Level Echo Path Loss for FGC and FGD, and expressed as Echo Return Loss (ERL) and Singing Return Loss (SRL), is dependent on the routing, i.e., whether the service is routed directly from the customer's point of termination (POT) to the end office or via an access tandem. The ERL and SRL also differ by Feature Group, type of termination, and type of transmission path. They are greater than or equal to the following:

	Echo <u>Return Loss</u>	Singing Return Loss
POT to Access Tandem - Terminated in		
4-Wire trunk	21 dB	14 dB
- Terminated in 2-Wire trunk	16 dB	11 dB
POT to End Office - Direct - Via Access Tandem	16 dB	11 dB
. For FGB access	8 dB	4 dB
. For FGC access (Effective 4-Wire trans- mission path at end office) . For FGC access (Effective 2-Wire trans-	16 dB	11 dB
mission path at end office)	13 dB	6 dB

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(F) Type B Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(6) Standard Return Loss

Standard Return Loss, expressed as Echo Return Loss and Singing Return Loss, on two-wire ports of a four-wire point of termination shall be equal to or greater than:

Echo Return Loss Singing Return Loss 5 dB 2.5 dB

(G) Type C Transmission Specifications

Type C Transmission Specifications are provided with the following parameters:

(1) Loss Deviation

The maximum Loss Deviation of the 1004 Hz loss relative to the Expected Measured Loss (EML) is + 3.0 dB.

(2) Attenuation Distortion

The maximum Attenuation Distortion in the 404 to 2804 Hz frequency band relative to loss at 1004 Hz is -2.0 dB to +5.5 dB.

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15.1.2 Standard Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(G) Type C Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(3) C-Message Noise

The maximum C-Message Noise for the transmission path at the route miles listed is less than or equal to:

	C-Message Noise*		
Route Miles	Type C1	Type C2	
less than 50	32 dBrnCO	38 dBrnCO	
51 to 100	33 dBrnCO	39 dBrnCO	
101 to 200	35 dBrnCO	41 dBrnCO	
201 to 400	37 dBrnCO	43 dBrnCO	
401 to 1000	39 dBrnCO	45 dBrnCO	

(4) C-Notch Noise

The maximum C-Notch Noise, utilizing a -16 dBm0 holding tone is less than or equal to 47 dBrnCO.

For Feature Groups C and D only Type C2 will be provided. For Feature Groups A and B, Type C1 or C2 will be provided as set forth in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000334.

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15.1.2 Standard Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(G) Type C Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

(5) Echo Control

Echo Control, identified as Return Loss and expressed as Echo Return Loss and Singing Return Loss is dependent on the routing, i.e., whether the service is routed directly from the customer's point of termination (POT) to the end office or via an access tandem. It is equal to or greater than the following:

	Echo <u>Return Loss</u>	Singing Return Loss
POT to Access Tandem	13 dB	6 dB
POT to End Office - Direct - Via Access Tandem (for FGB only)	13 dB 8 dB	6 dB 4 dB

15.1.3 **Data Transmission Parameters**

Two types of Data Transmission Parameters, i.e., Type DA and Type DB, are provided for the Feature Group arrangements. Type DB is provided with Feature Groups A, B and C and also with Feature Group D when Feature Group D is directly routed to the end office. Type DA is only provided with Feature Group D and only when routed via an access tandem. Following are descriptions of each.

(A) Data Transmission Parameters Type DA

(1) Signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio

The Signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio is equal to or greater than 33 dB.

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15.1.3 Data Transmission Parameters (Cont'd)

<u>Data Transmission Parameters Type DA</u> (Cont'd) (A)

Envelope Delay Distortion (2)

The maximum Envelope Delay Distortion for the frequency bands and route miles specified is:

604 to 2804 Hz

500 less than 50 route miles

microseconds

equal to or greater than

50 route miles

900 microseconds

1004 to 2404 Hz

less than 50 route miles

200

microseconds

equal to or greater than

400

50 route miles

microseconds

(3) Impulse Noise Counts

The Impulse Noise Counts exceeding a 65 dBrnCO threshold in 15 minutes is no more than 15 counts.

(4) Intermodulation Distortion

The Second Order (R2) and Third Order (R3) Intermodulation Distortion products are equal to or greater than:

> Second Order (R2) 33 dB Third Order (R3) 37 dB

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15.1.3 Data Transmission Parameters (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Data Transmission Parameters Type DA</u> (Cont'd)

(5) Phase Jitter

The Phase Jitter over the 4-300 Hz frequency band is less than or equal to 50 peak-to-peak.

(6) Frequency Shift

The maximum Frequency Shift does not exceed -2 to +2 Hz.

(B) Data Transmission Parameters Type DB

(1) Signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio

The signal to C-Notched Noise Ratio is equal to or greater than 30 dB.

(2) Envelope Delay Distortion

The maximum Envelope Delay Distortion for the frequency bands and route miles specified is:

604 to 2804 Hz

(a) less than 50 route miles	800
	microseconds

equal to or greater than	1000
50 route miles	microseconds

1004 to 2404 Hz

(b) less than 50 route miles 320

microseconds

equal to or greater than 500 50 route miles microseconds

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(B) <u>Data Transmission Parameters Type DB</u> (Cont'd)

(3) Impulse Noise Counts

The Impulse Noise Counts exceeding a 67 dBrnCO threshold in 15 minutes is no more than 15 counts.

(4) Intermodulation Distortion

The Second Order (R2) and Third Order (R3) Intermodulation Distortion products are equal to or greater than:

> Second Order (R2) 31 dB Third Order (R3) 34 dB

(5) Phase Jitter

The Phase Jitter over the 4-300 Hz frequency band is less than or equal to 70 peak-to-peak.

(6) Frequency Shift

The maximum Frequency Shift does not exceed -2 to +2

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15.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

15.1.4 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes

(A) Parameter Codes and Options

<u>Parameter</u>

<u>Code</u>		<u>Option</u>	<u>Definition</u>
AB	-		Accepts 20 Hz ringing signal at customer's point of termination
AC	-		Accepts 20 Hz ringing signal at customer's end user's point of termination
АН	-		Analog high capacity interface
	-	В	60 kHz to 108 kHz (12 channels)
	-	С	312 kHz to 552 kHz (60 channels)
	-	D	564 kHz to 3084 kHz (600 channels)
CT	-		Centrex Tie Trunk Termination
DA	-		Data stream in VF frequency band at customer's
D.D.			end user's point of termination
DB	-		Data stream in VF frequency band at customer's
		40	point of termination
	-	10	VF for TG1 and TG2
	-	43	VF for 43 Telegraph Carrier type signals, TG1 and TG2
DC	-		Direct current or voltage
	-	1	Monitoring interface with series RC combination (McCulloh format)
	-	2	Telephone Company energized alarm channel
	-	3	Metallic facilities (DC continuity) for direct current/low frequency control signals or slow speed data (30 baud)
DD	-		DATAPHONE Select-A-Station (and TABS) interface at customer's point of termination
DE	-		DATAPHONE Select-A-Station (and TABS) interface at the customer's end user's point of termination

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15.1.4 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(A) Parameter Codes and Options (Cont'd)

Param Code	<u>ieter</u> (Co	ont'd) <u>Option</u>	<u>Definition</u>
DS		15 15E 15F 15G 15H 15J 15K 15L 27 27L 31 31L 44 44L 63	Digital hierarchy interface 1.544 Mbps (DS1) format per PUB 41451 plus D4 8-bit PCM encoded in one 64 kbps of the DS1 signal 8-bit PCM encoded in two 64 kbps of the DS1 signal 8-bit PCM encoded in three 64 kbps of the DS1 signal 14/11-bit PCM encoded in six 64 kbps of the S1 signal 1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 plus extended framing format 1.544 Mbps (DS1) with SF signaling 274.176 Mbps (DS4) 274.176 Mbps (DS4) with SF signaling 3.152 Mbps (DS1C) 3.152 Mbps (DS1C) with SF signaling 44.736 Mbps (DS3) 44.736 Mbps (DS3) with SF signaling 6.312 Mbps (DS2)
DU	- - - - - - -	63L 19 24 48 56 96 A B C	6.312 Mbps (DS2) with SF signaling Digital access interface 19.2 kbps 2.4 kbps 4.8 kbps 56.0 kbps 9.6 kbps 1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 plus D4 1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 plus extended
DX	-		framing format Duplex signaling interface at customer's point of termination
DY	-		Duplex signaling interface at customer's end user's point of termination

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15.1.4 <u>Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes</u> (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Parameter Codes and Options</u> (Cont'd)

Parameter (Cont'd)

<u>Code</u>		<u>Option</u>	<u>Definition</u>
EA	-	Е	Type I E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on E Lead.
EA	-	М	Type I E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on M Lead.
EB	-	Е	Type II E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on E Lead.
EB	-	М	Type II E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on M Lead.
EC	_		Type III E&M signaling at customer POT
EX	-	Α	Tandem channel unit signaling for loop start or ground start and customer supplies open end (dial tone, etc.) functions.
EX	-	В	Tandem channel unit signaling for loop start or ground start and customer supplies closed end (dial pulsing, etc.) functions.
GO	-		Ground start loop signaling - open end function by customer or customer's end user
GS	-		Ground start loop signaling - closed end function by customer or customer's end user
IA	_		E.I.A. (25 pin RS-232)
LA	-		End user loop start loop signaling - Type A OPS registered port open end
LB	-		End user loop start loop signaling - Type B OPS registered port open end
LC	-		End user loop start loop signaling - Type C OPS registered port open end
LO	-		Loop start loop signaling - open end function by customer or customer's end user
LR	-		20 Hz automatic ringdown interface at customer with Telephone Company provided PLAR
LS	-		Loop start loop signaling - closed end function by customer or customer's end user
NO	-		No signaling interface, transmission only

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15.1.4 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(A) Parameter Codes and Options (Cont'd)

Parameter (Cont'd)

<u>Code</u>		<u>Option</u>	<u>Definition</u>
PG	-	1 3 5	Program transmission - no dc signaling Nominal frequency from 50 to 15000 Hz Nominal frequency from 200 to 3500 Hz Nominal frequency from 100 to 5000 Hz
PR	-	8	Nominal frequency from 50 to 8000 Hz Protective relaying*
RV	-	0	Reverse battery signaling, one way operation, originate by customer
	-	Т	Reverse battery signaling, one way operation, terminate function by customer or customer's end user
SF	-		Single frequency signaling with VF band at either customer POT or customer's end user POT
TF TT	- -		Telephotograph interface Telegraph/teletypewriter interface at either
	- -	2 3	customer POT or customer's end user POT 20.0 milliamperes 3.0 milliamperes
	-	6	62.5 milliamperes
TV	-		Television interface
	-	1	Combined (diplexed) video and one audio signals
	-	2	Combined (diplexed) video and two audio signals
	-	5	Video plus one (or two) audio 5 kHz signal(s) or one (or two) two wire
	-	15	Video plus one (or two) audio 15 kHz signal(s)

Available only for the transmission of audio tone protective relaying signals used in the protection of electric power systems during fault conditions.

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15.2 Special Access Service

This section explains and lists the codes that the customer must specify when ordering Special Access Service, Switched Access Entrance Facilities, and Voice Grade and High Capacity Direct Trunked Transport. These codes provide a standardized means to relate the services being ordered to Special Access Service offerings contained in Section 7. preceding.

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When ordering, the type of Special Access Service or Switched Access Entrance Facility or Direct Trunked Transport is described by two code sets, the Network Channel (NC) code and the Network Channel Interface (NCI) codes.

The Network Channel (NC) code consists of two elements. Element one is a Channel Service Code (character positions 1 and 2) that describes the channel service type in an abbreviated form. Element two is an Optional Feature Code (character positions 3 and 4) that identifies option codes available for each channel service code, such as C-conditioning or Improved Return Loss.

The Network Channel Interface (NCI) is used to identify interface specifications associated with a particular channel. This code describes the total wires, protocol, impedance, protocol options and transmission level point(s) reflecting physical and electrical characteristics between the Telephone Company and the customer.

On the following 3 pages are examples which explain the specific characters of the codes and which reference matrices and charts used in developing the codes. Included in the matrices are Service Designator (SD) codes which are used to identify variations of service within service types (e.g., TG1 = Telegraph). The SD and NC codes are displayed as components of the matrices designated as Technical Specifications packages in (A) through (G) following. Through the use of these matrices, SD codes may be converted to NC codes for service ordering purposes.

A chart is also provided in 15.2.2(A) following which contains information necessary to develop NCI codes.

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Comprehensive lists of allowed Network Channel (NC) and Network Channel Interface (NCI) codes are contained in Special Report

SR-ISD-000307. However, not all services contained in this Special Report may be offered by the Telephone Company at this time.

Lastly, 15.2.2(C) following provides a list of compatible Network Channel Interfaces inasmuch as the Network Channel Interfaces associated with a given service need not always be the same, but all must be compatible.

Example No. 1: If the customer wishes to order a 4-wire voice grade circuit with 600 Ohms impedance, capable of data transmission, and with improved return loss, the customer might specify the following:

NC NCI SECNCI LG-R 04DB2 04DA2-S

NC Code:

LG = Voice Grade Channel Service, VG6

-R = Improved Return Loss

NCI Code:

04 = Number of physical wires at CDP

Data stream in VF frequency band at the customer designated main terminal location

2 = 600 Ohms impedance

SECNCI (Secondary NCI Code):

04 = Number of physical wires at CDP

Data stream in VG frequency at the customer designated secondary terminal location

2 = 600 Ohms impedance

S = Sealing current option for 4-wire transmission

In the above example the NCI (Network Channel Interface) code is the interface requested at the customer's POT (Point of Termination) and the SECNCI (Secondary Network Channel Interface) code represents the interface at the end office serving the End User.

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Example No. 2: If the customer wishes to order a FX circuit to a station, with 600 Ohms impedance, loop start signaling, which is 4-wire at the CDP and 2-wire at the end-user, the customer might specify:

NCI SECNCI 04LO2 02LS2

NC Code:

LC = Voice Grade Channel Service, VG2

-- = No Optional Features

NCI Code:

04 = Number of physical wires at CDP

LO = Loop start, loop signaling - open end

2 = 600 Ohms impedance

SECNCI (Secondary NCI Code):

02 = Number of physical wires at CDP

LS = Loop start signaling - closed end

2 = 600 Ohms impedance

Example No. 3: If the customer wishes to order a 1.544 Mbps Hi-cap facility with no channel options such as CO multiplexing, the customer might specify the following:

SECNCI NCI HC--04DS9-15 04DS9-15

NC Code:

HC = High Capacity Channel Service, HC1

-- = No Optional Features

NCI, SECNCI Code:

04 = Number of physical wires at CDP

DS = Digital hierarchy interface

9 = 100 Ohms impedance

15 = 1.544 Mbps (DS1) format

The preceding three examples use information contained in Special Report SR-ISD-000307.

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15.2 <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

15.2.1 Network Channel (NC) Codes

In order to determine the NC code appropriate for the service to be ordered, the type of Special Access Service the customer wishes must be identified. This identification is accomplished by a Service Designator (SD) code. The broad categories of Service Designator codes (e.g., VG, MT, TG, etc.) are set forth in Section 7. preceding. Variations within service type (e.g., VG1, MTC, TG2, etc.) are described in the various Technical Publications cited in (A) through (G) following.

Having determined the specific service type to be ordered and its SD code, and having used the appropriate Technical Publication, the customer should match the SD code to the NC code using the following matrices. Once the NC code has been determined the Network Channel Interface (NCI) code may be developed using the information set forth in 15.2.2 following and the guidelines concerning specific parameters available for each service type as set forth in the specified Technical Publication.

- (A) Reserved for Future Use
- (B) Reserved for Future Use

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.1 Network Channel (NC) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Technical Specifications Packages Voice Grade Service

					F	Packa	age V	G-						
SD Code NC Code	<u>C</u> * LQ	<u>1</u> LB	<u>2</u> LC	<u>3</u> LD	<u>4</u> LE	<u>5</u> LF	6 LG	<u>7</u> LH	<u>8</u> LJ	<u>9</u> LK	<u>10</u> LN	<u>11</u> LP	<u>12</u> LR	W SE
NO Code	<u>LQ</u>	<u>LD</u>	<u>LC</u>	<u>LD</u>	<u> </u>	<u></u>	<u>LO</u>	<u>L111</u>	<u>LU</u>	LIX	LIN	<u>L1</u>	LIX	<u> </u>
<u>Parameter</u>														
Attenuation														
Distortion	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
C-Message Noise	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Echo Control	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ		Χ	Χ			Χ	Χ	Χ
Envelope Delay														
Distortion	Χ						Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Frequency Shift	Χ						Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Impulse Noise	Χ					Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Intermodulation														
Distortion	Χ						Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Loss Deviation	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Phase Hits, Gain														
Hits, and Dropouts	Χ													
Phase Jitter	Χ						Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Signal-to-C														
Message Noise					Χ									
Signal-to-C														
Notch Noise	Χ					Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ

The technical specifications for these parameters (except for dropouts, phase hits, and gain hits) are described in Technical References TR-NPL-000334 and TR-NPL-000335. The technical specifications for dropouts, phase hits, and gain hits are described in Technical Reference PUB 41004, Table 4.

^{*} The desired parameters are selected by the customer from the list of available parameters.

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.1 Network Channel (NC) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Technical Specifications Packages Voice Grade Service</u> (Cont'd)

					F	Packa	ige V	G-						
SD Code NC Code	<u>C</u> * <u>LQ</u>	<u>1</u> LB	<u>2</u> LC	<u>3</u> LD	<u>4</u> LE	<u>5</u> LF	6 LG	<u>7</u> LH	<u>8</u> LJ	<u>9</u> LK	<u>10</u> LN	11 LP	<u>12</u> <u>LR</u>	W SE
Optional Features and Functions														
Central Office Bridging														
Capability Central Office	Χ		Χ			Χ	Χ				Χ	Χ	Χ	
Multiplexing	X						X							
Conditioning: . C-Type . Improved Attenuation	X					X	X	X	X	X	X			
Distortion . Improved Envelope	Χ					X	Χ	Χ	X	Χ	Χ			
Delay Distortion	X					X	X	X	X	X	X			
. Sealing Current . Data Capability	X X						X X	Χ			Х			
. Telephoto Capability Customer Specified Premises Receive	X											X		
Level	Χ		Χ	Χ				Χ	Χ	Χ				

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15.2.1 Network Channel (NC) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Technical Specifications Packages Voice Grade Service</u> (Cont'd)

	Package VG-													
SD Code NC Code	<u>C</u> * <u>LQ</u>	<u>1</u> <u>LB</u>	<u>2</u> <u>LC</u>	<u>3</u> LD	<u>4</u> LE	<u>5</u> <u>LF</u>	<u>6</u> <u>LG</u>	<u>7</u> <u>LH</u>	<u>8</u> <u>LJ</u>	<u>9</u> <u>LK</u>	<u>10</u> LN	11 LP	<u>12</u> LR	W SE
Optional Features and Functions														
Improved Return Loss for Effective Four-Wire														
Transmission For Effective Two-Wire	Χ	Χ	Χ	X	X	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	X	X	Χ	
Transmission	Χ		Χ	Χ				Χ						
Improved Two-Wire Voice Transmission PPSN Interface														X
Arrangement	Χ									Χ				
Selective Signaling Arrangement	Х		Χ			Х	Χ				Х	Х	Χ	
Signaling Capability	X	Χ	X	Χ		, ,	•	Χ	Χ	Χ	•	•	X	
Transfer Arrangement	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ
Improved Termination	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.1 Network Channel (NC) Codes (Cont'd)

(F) Technical Specifications Packages Digital Data Service

	Package									
	SD Code NC Code	<u>D1</u> <u>XA</u>	<u>D2</u> <u>XB</u>	<u>D3</u> XG	<u>D4</u> <u>XH</u>	<u>D5</u> <u>XE</u>	<u>D6</u> <u>YN</u>			
<u>Parameter</u>										
Error-Free Sec	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ				
Optional Featuand Functions										
Central Office Bridging Cap	ability	X	X	Х	X	X	X			
PPSN Interfact Arrangement		X	X	Х	X	X	X			
Transfer Arran	gement	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	X			

The Telephone Company will provide a channel capable of meeting a monthly average performance equal to or greater than 99.875% error-free seconds (if provided through a Digital Data hub) while the channel is in service, if it is measured through a CSU equivalent which is designed, manufactured, and maintained to conform with the specifications contained in Technical Reference PUB 62310.

Voltages which are compatible with Digital Data Service are delineated in Technical Reference PUB 62507.

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15.2.1 Network Channel (NC) Codes (Cont'd)

(G) Technical Specifications Packages High Capacity Service

Package						
SD Code NC Code	HC0 HS	HC1 HC	HC1C HD	HC2 HE	HC3 HF	HC4 HG
<u>Parameters</u>						
Error-Free Seconds		Χ				
Optional Features and Functions						
Automatic Loop Transfer		X				
Central Office						
Multiplexing: DS4 to DS1						X
DS3 to DS1					X	
DS2 to DS1				X		
DS1C to DS1 DS1 to Voice		Χ		X		
DS1 to DS0		X				
DS0 to Subrate*	Χ					
Transfer Arrangemer	nt	Χ				
Clear Channel Capat	oility	X				

A channel with technical specifications package HC1 will be capable of an error-free second performance of 98.75% over a continuous 24 hour period as measured at the 1.544 Mbps rate through a CSU equivalent which is designed, manufactured, and maintained to conform with the specifications contained in Technical Reference PUB 62411.

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15.2 <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes

The electrical interface with the Telephone Company for Special Access Services, is defined by an interface code. There are interface codes for both the customer designated premises and the point of termination. Three examples of NCI codes are found in 15.2 preceding.

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(A) Parameter Codes and Options

<u>Parameter</u>

Code (<u>Option</u>	<u>Definition</u>
AB - AC -		accepts 20 Hz ringing signal at customer's point of termination accepts 20 Hz ringing signal at customer's end user's point of termination
AH -		analog high capacity interface
-	В	60 kHz to 108 kHz (12 channels)
-	С	312 kHz to 552 kHz (60 channels)
-	D	564 kHz to 3084 kHz (600 channels)
CT -		Centrex Tie Trunk Termination
CS -		digital hierarchy interface at DigitalCross Connect System (DCS)
-	15	1.544 Mbps (DS1) ANSI Extended Superframe (ESF) Format and B8ZS Clear Channel Capability
-	15	1.544 Mbps (DS1) Superframe (SF) format
-	15B	1.544 Mbps (DS1) Superframe (SF) format and B8ZS Clear
		Channel Capability
-	15K	1.544 Mbps (DS1) Extended Superframe (ESF)
DA -		data stream in VF frequency band at customer's end user's point
		of termination
DB -		data stream in VF frequency band at customer's
		point of termination
-	10	VF for TG1 and TG2
-	43	VF for 43 Telegraph Carrier type signals,
		TG1 and TG2
DC -		direct current or voltage
-	1	monitoring interface with series RC combination (McCulloh
	•	format)
-	2	Telephone Company energized alarm channel
-	3	Metallic facilities (DC continuity) for direct current/low frequency
DD		control signals or slow speed data (30 baud)
DD -		DATAPHONE Select-A-Station (and TABS) interface at
DE -		customer's point of termination DATAPHONE Select-A-Station (and TABS) interface at the customer's end user's point of termination

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(A) Parameter Codes and Options (Cont'd)

Parameter (Cont'd)

<u>Code</u>	<u>Option</u>	<u>Definition</u>
DS -		digital hierarchy interface
-	15	1.544 Mbps (DS1) format per PUB 41451 plus D4
-	15E	8-bit PCM encoded in one 64 kbps of the DS1 signal
-	15F	8-bit PCM encoded in two 64 kbps of the DS1 signal
-	15G	8-bit PCM encoded in three 64 kbps of the DS1 signal
-	15H	14/11-bit PCM encoded in six 64 kbps of the S1 signal
-	15J	1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451
-	15K	1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 plus extended framing format
-	15L	1.544 Mbps (DS1) with SF signaling
-	27	274.176 Mbps (DS4)
-	27L	274.176 Mbps (DS4) with SF signaling
-	31	3.152 Mbps (DS1C)
-	31L	3.152 Mbps (DS1C) with SF signaling
-	44	44.736 Mbps (DS3)
-	44L	44.736 Mbps (DS3) with SF signaling
-	63	6.312 Mbps (DS2)
-	63L	6.312 Mbps (DS2) with SF signaling

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(A) Parameter Codes and Options (Cont'd)

Parameter (Cont'd)

DU -		digital access interface
-	19	19.2 kbps
-	24	2.4 kbps
-	48	4.8 kbps
-	56	56.0 kbps
-	96	9.6 kbps
-	64	64.0 kbps
-	Α	1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451
-	В	1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 plus D4
-	С	1.544 Mbps format per PUB 41451 plus extended farming format
-	1KN	1.544 Mbps ANSI Extended Superframe (ESF)
		Format without line power
-	1SN	1.544 Mbps ANSI Extended Superframe (ESF)
		Format with B8ZS CCC and without line power
-	AN	1.544 Mbps free-framing format w/o line power (only avail. to
		U.S. Govt. agencies)
-	BN	1.544 Mbps Superframe (SF) Format w/o line power
-	DN	1.544 Mbps Superframe (SF) Format with B8ZS
		Clear Channel Capability without line power
DX -		duplex signaling interface at customer's point of termination
DY -		duplex signaling interface at customer's end
		user's point of termination

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15.2 <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(A) Parameter Codes and Options (Cont'd)

Parameter (Cont'd)

Code Option	<u>Definition</u>
EA - E	Type I E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on E Lead.
EA - M	Type I E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on M Lead.
EB - E	Type II E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on E Lead.
EB - M	Type II E&M Lead Signaling. Customer at POT or customer's end user at POT originates on M Lead.
EC - EX - A	Type III E&M signaling at customer POT tandem channel unit signaling for loop start or ground start and customer supplies open end (dial tone, etc.) functions.
EX - B	tandem channel unit signaling for loop start or ground start and customer supplies closed end (dial pulsing, etc.) functions.
GO -	ground start loop signaling - open end function by customer or customer's end user
GS -	ground start loop signaling - closed end function by customer or customer's end user
IA -	E.I.A. (25 pin RS-232)
LA -	end user loop start loop signaling - Type A OPS registered port open end
LB -	end user loop start loop signaling - Type B OPS registered port open end
LC -	end user loop start loop signaling - Type C OPS registered port open end
LO -	loop start loop signaling - open end function by customer or customer's end user
LR -	20 Hz automatic ringdown interface at customer with Telephone Company provided PLAR
LS -	loop start loop signaling - closed end function by customer or customer's end user
NO -	no signaling interface, transmission only

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(A) Parameter Codes and Options (Cont'd)

Parameter (Cont'd)

<u>Code</u>	<u>Optio</u>	<u>Definition</u>
PG - -	1	program transmission - no dc signaling nominal frequency from 50 to 15000 Hz
-	3	nominal frequency from 200 to 3500 Hz
-	5	nominal frequency from 100 to 5000 Hz
- PR	8	nominal frequency from 50 to 8000 Hz protective relaying*
RV -	0	reverse battery signaling, one way operation, originate by customer
-	Т	reverse battery signaling, one way operation, terminate function by customer or customer's end user
SF -		single frequency signaling with VF band at either customer POT or customer's end user POT
TF -		telephotograph interface
TT -		telegraph/teletypewriter interface at either customer POT or customer's end user POT
-	2	20.0 milliamperes
-	3	3.0 milliamperes
-	6	62.5 milliamperes
TV -		television interface
-	1	combined (diplexed) video and one audio signal
-	2	combined (diplexed) video and two audio signals
-	5	video plus one (or two) audio 5 kHz signal(s) or one (or two) two wire
-	15	video plus one (or two) audio 15 kHz signal(s)

Available only for the transmission of audio tone protective relaying signals used in the protection of electric power systems during fault conditions.

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(B) Impedance

The nominal reference impedance with which the channel will be terminated for the purpose of evaluating transmission performance:

Value (ohms)	Code(s)
110	0
150	1
600	2
900	3+
135	5
75	6
124	7
Variable	8
100	9

For those interface codes with a 4-wire transmission path at the customer designated + POT, rather than a standard 900 ohm impedance the code (3) denotes a customer provided transmission equipment termination. Such terminations were provided to customers in accordance with the F.C.C. Docket No. 20099 Settlement Agreement.

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 - 15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)
 - (C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces

The following tables show the Network Channel Interface codes (NCIs) which are compatible:

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade

Compa	tible Cls	Compati	ble Cls	Compat	ible CIs
2AB2	2AC2	2DB2	2DA2	2LR2	2LR2
2AB3	2AC2	2DB3	2DA2	2LR3	2LR2
2CT3	2DY2 4DS8 4DX2 4DX3 4DY2	2DX3	2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LS2	2LS	2GS 2LS 4GS 4LS
	4EA2-E 4EA2-M		2LS3 2LB2	2LS2	2LA2
	4SF2 4SF3	2GO2	2GS2 2GS3		2LC2
	6DX2 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E	2GO3	2GS2 2GS3	2LS3	2LA2 2LB2 2LC2
	6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M	2GS	2GS 2LS 4GS	2NO2	2DA2 2NO2
	6EB3-E 8EB2-E		4LS	2NO3	2NO2 2PR2
	8EB2-M 8EC2 9DY2	2L02	2LS2 2LS3	2TF3	2TF2
	9DY3 9EA2 9EA3	2L03	2LS2 2LS3		

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compatible 4AB2 4AB3 4AC2	2AC2 4AB2 4AC2 4SF2 2AC2 4AC2 4SF2 2AC2	Compa	tible CIs	Compatible CIs
	4AC2	4DS8-	2AC2 2DA2 2DY2 2GO2	4DS8- 4DG2 4LR2 4LS2 4NO2
	4DA2	4DA2	2G03 2GS2	4PR2 4RV2-T
	4DB2	2DA2 2NO2 2PR2 4DA2 4DB2 4NO2 4PR2 6DA2	2GS3 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO2 2LO3 2LR2 2LS2 2LS3	4SF2 4SF3 4TF2 6DA2 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E 6EA2-M 6EB2-E
	4DD3	2DE2 4DE2	2NO2 2PR2 2RV2-T 2TF2 4AC2 4DA2 4DE2 4DX2 4DX2 4DX3 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M	6EB2-M 6GS2 6LS2 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3 9EA2 9EA3

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compatible CIs	Compatible CIs	Compatible Cls	
4DX2 2DY2 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LS2 2LS3	4DX2 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3 9EA2 9EA3	4DX3 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E 6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 6LS2	
2RV2-T 4DX2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 4LS2 4RV2-T 4SF2 4SF3 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E 6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 6LS2	4DX3 2DY2 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LS2 2LS3 2RV2-T 4DX2 4DX3 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 4LS2 4RV2-T 4SF2 4SF3	8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3 9EA2 9EA3 4DY2 2DY2 4DY2	

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compatible Cls	Compatible CIs	Compatible CIs
4EA2- 2DY2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3 6EB2-E	4EA3-E 2DY2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E	4GO2 2GO2 2GO3 2GS2 2GS3 4GS2 4SF2 6GS2
6EB2-M 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3 4EA2-M 2DY2 4DY2	6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3 9EA2	4GO3 2GO2 2GS2 2GS3 4GS2 4SF2 6GS2
4EA2-M 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3	9EA3	4GS 2GS 2LS 4GS 4LS

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compatible	e Cls	Compa	atible CIs	Compa	atible CIs
4LO2	2LS2 2LS3 4LS2 4SF2 6LS2	4LS3	2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO2 2LO3 4SF2	4SF2	2LO3 2LR2 2LS2 2LS3 2RV2-T 4AC2
4LO3	2LS2 2LS3 4LS2 4SF2 6LS2	4NO2	2DA2 2DE2 2NO2 4DA2 4DE2		4DY2 4LS2 4RV2-T 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3
4LR2	2LR2 4LR2 4SF2	4RV2-0	4NO2 6DA2		6GS2 9DY2 9DY3
4LR3	2LR2 4LR2 4SF2	41(1/2-0	4RV2-T 4SF2	4SF3	2DY2 2GO3 2GS2 2GS3
4LS	2GS 2LS 4GS 4LS	4SF2	2AC2 2DY2 2GS2 2GS3 2LA2		2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LR2
4LS2	2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO2 2LO3		2LB2 2LC2		

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compatible CIs		<u>Compa</u>	tible Cls Com	patible Cls	
4SF3	2LS2 2LS3 2RV2-T	6DA	4DA2 6DA2	6DY3	2DY2 4DY2 6DY2
	4DY2 4EA2-E	6DX2	2DY2 4DY2		6DY3
	4EA2-M 4GS2		4EA2-E	6EA2-E	2AC2
	4LR2		4EA2-M		2DY2
	4LS2		4SF2		2LA2
	4RV2-T		6DY2		2LB2
	4SF2		6DY3		2LC2
	4SF3		6EA2-E		2LO3
	6DY2		6EA2-M		2LS2
	6DY3		6EB2-E		2LS3
	6EB2-E		6EB2-M	2	RV2-T
	6EB2-M		8EB2-E		4AC2
	6GS2		8EB2-M		4DY2
	6LS2		9DY2	4	EA2-E
	9DY2		9DY3	4	EA2-M
	9DY3		9EA2		4LS2
	9EA2		9EA3	4	RV2-T
	9EA3				4SF2
		6DY2	2DY2		4SF3
4TF2	2TF2		4DY2		6DY2
	4TF2		6DY2		6DY3
				6	EA2-E
				6	EA2-M

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compa	atible CIs	Compatil	ble CIs	<u>Compati</u>	ble CIs
6EA2-E	6EB2-E 6EB2-M 6LS2 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3	6EA2-M	6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 6LS2 8EB2-E 8EB2-M	4	2DY2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E
6EA2-M	2AC2 2DY2 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LS2 2LS3 2RV2-T 4AC2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M	6EB2-E	9DY2 9DY3 2DY2 4DY2 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3	(9DY2 9DY3 9EA2 6EA3 2GS2 2GS3 2LS2 2LS3 4GS2
	4LS2 4RV2-T 4SF2 4SF3	6EB2-M	2DY2 4DY2 4SF2 6DY2 6DY3 6EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3		4LS2 4SF2 6GS2 6LS2

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15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

<u>Compa</u>	tible Cls	Compatible CIs	Compatible CIs
6EX2-B	2GO3 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO2 2LO3 2LR2 4LR2 4SF2	8EB2-E 2AC2 2DY2 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LS2 2LS3 2RV2-T 4AC2	8EB2-M 2AC2 2DY2 2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO3 2LS2 2LS3 2RV2-T 4AC2
6GO2	2GO2 2GS2 2GS3 4GS2 4SF2 6GS2	4DY2 4LS2 4RV2-T 4SF2 4SF3 6DY2 6DY3	4DY2 4LS2 4RV2-T 4SF2 4SF3 6DY2 6DY3
6LO2	2LS2 2LS3 4LS2 4SF2 6LS2	6EB2-E 6EB2-M 6LS2 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2	6EB2-E 6EB2-M 6LS2 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3
6LS2	2LA2 2LB2 2LC2 2LO2 2LO3 4SF2	9DY3	, , , ,

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(3) Voice Grade (Cont'd)

Compatib	le CIs	Compa	tible CIs	Compati	Compatible CIs	
	2DY2 4DY2 EA2-E EA2-M 4SF2 6DY2	9DY2	2DY2 4DY2 6DY2 6DY3 9DY2	9EA3	2DY2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 6DY2 6DY3	
6 6 6 8	6DY3 EA2-E EA2-M EB2-E EB2-M BEB2-E EB2-M	9DY3	2DY2 4DY2 6DY2 6DY3 9DY2 9DY3		6EA2-E 6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2	
	9DY2 9DY3 9EA2 9EA3	9EA2	2DY2 4DY2 4EA2-E 4EA2-M 6DY2 6DY3 6EA2-E 6EA2-M 6EB2-E 6EB2-M 8EB2-E 8EB2-M 9DY2 9DY3 9EA2 9EA3		9DY3 9EA3	

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- 15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)
 - (C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)
 - (4) Reserved for Future Use
 - (5) Reserved for Future Use

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15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(6) Digital Data

Compatible CIs		Compa	Compatible CIs		Compatible CIs	
4DS8-15	4DS8-15+ 4DU5-19 4DU5-24 4DU5-48	4DU5-19 4DU5-24	4DU5-19 4DU5-24	6DU5-19 6DU5-24	6DU5-19 6DU5-24	
	4DU5-56 4DU5-96	4DU5-48	4DU5-48	6DU5-48	6DU5-48	
	6DU5-24 6DU5-48	4DU5-96	4DU5-96	6DU5-56	6DU5-56	
	6DU5-96	4DU8-56	4DU5-56	6DU5-96	6DU5-96	

Available only as a cross connect of two digital channels at appropriate digital speeds + at a Telephone Company hub.

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Access Service Interfaces and Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

15.2 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

15.2.2 Network Channel Interface (NCI) Codes (Cont'd)

(C) Compatible Network Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

(7) High Capacity

Compat	ible Cls	Compatible CIs		
4DS0-63	4DS0-63 4DU8-A,B or C 6DU8-A,B or C	4DS8-15J 4DU8-A 6DU8-A		
4DS6-27	4DS6-27 4DU8-A,B or C 6DU8-A,B or C	4DS8-15K 4DU8-B 4DU8-C 6DU8-B 6DU8-C		
4DS6-44	4DS6-44 4DU8-A,B or C 6DU8-A,B or C	4DS8-31 4DS8-31 4DU8-A,B or C 6DU8-A,B or C		
4DS8-15	4DS8-15+ 4DU8-B 6DU8-8	4DU8-A,B or C 4DU8-A,B or C		

Available only as a cross connect of two individual channels of 1.544 Mbps facilities at a Telephone Company hub.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 16 Special Construction

16.1 General

This section contains regulations, rates, charges and liabilities applicable for the special construction of interstate facilities.

When special construction of facilities is required, the provisions of this tariff apply in addition to all regulations, rates and charges set forth in the appropriate service section of this tariff.

16.2 Regulations

16.2.1 Filing of Charges

Rates, charges and liabilities for special construction to provide facilities for use for one month or more are filed in Section 17 following, as appropriate.

Rates, charges and liabilities for the construction of facilities for use for less than one month are filed in supplements to this tariff.

16.2.2 Ownership of Facilities

The Telephone Company providing specially constructed facilities under the provisions of this tariff retains ownership of all such facilities.

16.2.3 Interval to Provide Facilities

Based on available information and the type of service ordered, the Telephone Company will establish a completion date for the specially constructed facilities. If the scheduled completion date cannot be met due to circumstances beyond the control of the Telephone Company, a new completion date will be established and the customer will be notified.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.4 Special Construction Involving Both Interstate and Intrastate Facilities

When special construction involves facilities to be used to provide both interstate and intrastate services, charges for the portion of the construction used to provide interstate service shall be in accordance with this tariff. Charges for the portion of the construction used to provide intrastate service shall be in accordance with the appropriate intrastate tariff.

16.2.5 Payments for Special Construction

(A) Payment of Charges

All bills associated with special construction charges are due in accordance with the regulations in the appropriate service section of this tariff.

(B) Start/End of Billing

Billing of recurring charges for specially constructed facilities starts on the day after the facilities are made available for use. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the specially constructed facilities are discontinued.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.5 Payments for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u>

In the event of a service interruption involving a specially constructed facility, the customer shall receive a recurring monthly charge credit in accordance with the credit allowance provisions in the appropriate service section of this tariff associated with the affected services.

When an interruption continues due to the failure of the customer to authorize the replacement of facilities subject to a Replacement Charge, as specified, in 16.2.6(D)(1)(d) following, the credit allowance will be terminated on the seventh calendar day after the Telephone Company has provided the customer with written notification of the need for replacement. The credit allowance will resume on the day after the Telephone Company receives written authorization for the replacement from the customer.

16.2.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction

(A) General

This section describes the various charges and liabilities that may apply when the Telephone Company provides special construction of facilities in accordance with an order for service. Written approval of all liabilities and charges must be provided to the Telephone Company prior to the start of construction.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(B) **Conditions Requiring Special Construction**

Special construction is required when 1) facilities are not available to meet an order for service, and 2) the Telephone Company constructs facilities, and 3) one or more of the following conditions exist:

- The Telephone Company has no other requirement for the facilities requested.
- It is requested that service be furnished using a type of facility, or via a route, other than that which the Telephone Company would normally utilize in furnishing the requested service.
- More facilities are requested than would normally be required to satisfy an order.
- It is requested that construction be expedited, resulting in added cost to the Telephone Company.

(C) Development

Special construction charges and liabilities will be developed based on estimated costs, except when actual costs are requested in writing prior to the start of special construction.

In order to meet a scheduled service date when actual costs are requested, an initial special construction filing may be based on estimated costs. Such a filing will be revised when actual costs are available.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges

Depending on the specifics associated with each individual case, one or more of the following special construction charges and/or liabilities may be applicable:

(1) Nonrecurring Charge

A nonrecurring charge always applies and includes one or more of the following components:

(a) <u>Case Preparation Charge</u>

A nonrecurring charge always includes a case preparation charge component to cover the administrative expenses associated with preparing a special construction case and the associated tariff filing.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (1) Nonrecurring Charge (Cont'd)

(b) **Expediting Charge**

A nonrecurring charge may include an expediting charge when it is requested that special construction be completed on an expedited basis. The charge equals the difference in estimated cost between expedited and nonexpedited construction.

(c) **Optional Payment**

An optional payment charge may be included in the nonrecurring charge in association with a type of facility or route other than that which the Telephone Company would normally use in furnishing the requested service if lower recurring monthly charges are desired for the specially constructed facilities. This charge is equal to the excess installed cost or the total nonrecoverable cost, whichever is less. This election must be made in writing before special construction starts. If this election is coupled with the actual cost option, the optional payment charge will reflect the actual cost of the specially constructed facilities.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

- Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd) (D)
 - Nonrecurring Charge (Cont'd) (1)

(d) Replacement Charge

If any portion of specially constructed facilities for which an optional payment charge has been paid requires replacement involving capital investment, a replacement charge will apply. This charge will be in the same ratio to the total replacement cost as the initial optional payment charge was to the installed cost of the original specially constructed facilities. If any portion of the facilities subject to the replacement charge fails, service will not be restored until notification is provided in writing that replacement is required and such replacement is ordered.

(e) Rearrangement Charge

If the Telephone Company is requested to rearrange existina specially constructed facilities, a nonrecurring charge equal to the cost of any additional special construction will apply.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - Nonrecurring Charge (Cont'd) (1)
 - Special Construction of Facilities for Use for Less than One Month

When the Telephone Company is requested to construct facilities to provide service for less than one month, a nonrecurring charge only applies. In addition to the case preparation charge component, this nonrecurring charge recovers all elements of cost, including engineering, shipping of equipment, equipment installation, line-up, equipment leasing, space rental, equipment removal, and any other costs associated with the construction of the facilities.

(2) Maximum Termination Liability and Termination Charge

A maximum Termination Liability is equal to the nonrecoverable costs associated with specially constructed facilities and is the maximum amount which could be applied as a Termination charge if all specially constructed facilities were discontinued before the Maximum Termination Liability expires.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(2) <u>Maximum Termination Liability and Termination</u> <u>Charge</u> (Cont'd)

The liability period is equal to the average life of the account associated with the specially constructed facilities. The liability period is generally expressed in terms of an effective and expiration date.

The Maximum Termination Liability is filed with the initial tariff filing in decreasing amounts at ten-year intervals over the average account life of the facilities. In the event that the average account life of the facilities is not an even multiple of ten, the last increment will reflect the appropriate number of years remaining.

Example Illustrating a 27-Year Average Account Life

Maximum Termination Liability	Effective <u>Date</u>	Expiration <u>Date</u>
\$10,000	6/1/84	6/1/94
7,000	6/1/94	6/1/04
3,000	6/1/04	6/1/11

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Maximum Termination Liability and Termination</u> <u>Charge</u> (Cont'd)

Prior to the expiration of each liability period, the customer has the option to (A) terminate the special construction case and pay the appropriate charges, or (B) extend the use of the specially constructed facilities for the new liability period.

The Telephone Company will notify the customer six months in advance of the expiration date of each ten-year liability period. The customer must provide the Telephone Company with written notification at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the liability period if termination is elected. Failure to do so will result in an automatic extension of the special construction case to the next liability period at the filed Maximum Termination Liability amount.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - Maximum Termination Liability and Termination Charge (Cont'd)

A Termination Charge may apply when all services using specially constructed facilities which have a tariffed Maximum Termination Liability are discontinued prior to the expiration of the liability period. The charge reflects the unamortized portion of the nonrecoverable costs at the time of termination, adjusted for net salvage and possible reuse. Administrative costs associated with the specific case of special construction and any cost for restoring a location to its original condition are also included. A Termination Charge may never exceed the filed Maximum Termination Liability.

A partial termination of specially constructed facilities will be provided, at the election of the customer. amount of the Termination Charge associated with such partial termination is determined by multiplying the termination charge which would result if all services using the specially constructed facilities were discontinued, at the time partial termination is elected, by the percentage of specially constructed facilities to be partially terminated. A tariff filing will be made following a partial termination to list remaining Maximum Termination Liability amounts and the number of specially constructed facilities the customer will remain liable for

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Maximum Termination Liability and Termination</u> Charge (Cont'd)

Example

A customer with a filed Maximum Termination Liability of \$100,000 for 3600 specially constructed facilities requests a partial termination of 900 facilities. The Termination Charge for all facilities, at the time of election is \$60,000. The partial termination charge, in this example, is $$60,000 \times 900/3600$, or \$15,000.

(3) Annual Underutilization Liability and Underutilization Charge

Prior to the start of special construction, the Telephone Company and the customer will agree on (1) the quantity of facilities to be provided, and (2) the length of the planning period during which the customer expects to place the facilities in service. The planning period is hereinafter referred to as the Initial Liability Period (ILP). The ILP is listed in the tariff with an effective and expiration date.

Underutilization occurs only if, at the expiration date of the ILP and annually thereafter, less than 70 percent of the specially constructed facilities are in service at filed tariff service rates.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - Annual Underutilization Liability and (3) Underutilization Charge (Cont'd)

An annual underutilization liability amount is filed on a per unit basis (e.g., per cable pair) for each case of special construction. This amount is equal to the annual per unit cost and includes depreciation, maintenance, administration, return, taxes and any other costs identified in the supporting documentation provided at the time the special construction case is filed.

Upon the expiration of the ILP, the number of underutilized facilities, if any, are multiplied by the annual underutilization liability amount. This product is then multiplied by the number of years (including any fraction thereof) in the ILP to determine the underutilization charge.

Annually thereafter, the number of underutilized facilities, if any, existing on the anniversary of the ILP expiration date will be multiplied by the annual underutilization liability amount to determine the underutilization charge for the preceding 12 month period.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - Annual Underutilization Liability and Underutilization (3) Charge (Cont'd)

Example

A customer orders 100 services and the special construction of a 600 pair building riser cable is agreed to, based on the customer's 5 year facility requirements. The ILP, in this example, would be filed at 5 years. The annual underutilization liability is filed at \$2.00 per pair. If 400 pairs were in service at the end of the ILP, there would be an underutilization of 20 pairs, i.e., 420 (70% of 600) - 400 = 20. The total underutilization charge for the first 5 years would be \$200.00, or \$2.00 per pair x 20 pairs x 5 years.

If 420 pairs are in service at the end of the 6th year, there is no underutilization, i.e., 420 - 420 = 0.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

- (D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (4) Recurring Monthly charges
 - (a) Charge for Route or Type other than Normal

When special construction is requested using a route or type of facility other than that which the Telephone Company would normally use, a recurring monthly charge, in addition to the monthly rates for service, is applicable. The charge is equal to the difference between the recurring costs of the specially constructed facilities and the recurring costs of the facilities the Telephone Company would have normally used.

- (i) When an Optional Payment Charge as set forth in 16.2.6(D)(1)(c) preceding has been elected, the recurring monthly charge will be reduced to include specially constructed facility operating costs only.
- (ii) If the actual cost option as set forth in 16.2.6(C) preceding has been elected, the recurring charge will be adjusted to reflect the actual cost of the new construction when the costs have been determined. This adjusted recurring charge is applicable from the start of service.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.6 <u>Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction</u> (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(5) Lease Charge

This charge applies when the Telephone Company leases equipment in order to meet service requirements. The amount of the charge is equal to the net added cost to the Telephone Company caused by the lease.

(6) Cancellation Charge

If a service order with which special construction is associated is canceled prior to the start of service, a cancellation charge will apply. The charge will include all nonrecoverable costs incurred by the Telephone Company in association with the special construction up to and including the time of cancellation.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.7 Deferral of Start of Service

The Telephone Company may be requested to defer the start of service which will use specially constructed facilities subject to the provisions set forth in the service section of this tariff under which service is being provided. Requests for special construction deferral must be in writing and are subject to the following regulations:

(A) Construction Has Not Begun

If the Telephone Company has not incurred any installation costs before receiving a request for deferral, no charge applies.

(B) Construction Has Begun

If the construction of facilities has begun before the Telephone Company receives a request for deferral, charges will vary as follows:

(1) All Services Are Deferred

When all services which will use specially constructed facilities are deferred, a charge based on the costs incurred by the Telephone Company during each month of the deferral will apply. Those costs include the recurring costs for that portion of the facilities already completed and any other costs associated with the deferral. The cost of any components of the nonrecurring charge which have been completed at the time of deferral will also apply.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.7 <u>Deferral of Start of Service</u>

(B) Construction Has Begun (Cont'd)

(2) Some Services Are Deferred

When some services which will use the specially constructed facilities are deferred, the construction case will be completed and all special construction charges will apply.

Construction Complete (C)

If the construction of facilities has been completed before the Telephone Company receives a request for deferral, all special construction charges will apply.

16.2.8 Definitions

Actual Cost - The Term "Actual Cost" denotes all costs charged against a specific case of special construction, including any appropriate taxes.

Annual Utilization Liability - The term "Annual Underutilization Liability" denotes a per unit amount which may be billed annually if fewer services are in use utilizing specially constructed facilities at filed tariff rates than were originally specially constructed.

Estimated Cost - The term "Estimated Cost" denotes all estimated costs that will be incurred in providing a specific case of special construction, including any appropriate taxes.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.8 Definitions (Cont'd)

Facilities - The term "Facilities" denotes any cable, poles, conduit, microwave or carrier equipment, wire center distribution frames, central office switching equipment, etc., utilized to provide interstate services.

Initial Liability Period - The term "Initial Liability Period" denotes the initial planning period during which the customer expects to place specially constructed facilities in service.

Installed Cost - The term "Installed Cost" denotes the total investment (estimated or actual) required by the Telephone Company to provide specially constructed facilities.

Maximum Termination Liability - The term "Maximum Termination Liability" denotes the maximum amount which may be billed if all services using specially constructed facilities are terminated prior to the expiration of the Maximum Termination Liability Period.

Maximum Termination Liability Period - The term "Maximum Termination Liability Period" denotes the length of time for which a termination charge may apply if all services using specially constructed facilities are terminated.

Net Salvage - The term "Net Salvage" denotes the estimated scrap, sale, or trade-in value, less the estimated cost of removal. Cost of removal includes the costs of demolishing, tearing down, or otherwise disposing of the material and any other applicable costs. Since the cost of removal may exceed salvage value, net salvage may be negative.

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16.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

16.2.8 Definitions (Cont'd)

Nonrecoverable Cost - The term "Nonrecoverable Cost" denotes the cost of specially constructed facilities for which the Telephone Company has no foreseeable use should the service be terminated.

 $\underline{\text{Normal Cost}}$ - The term "Normal Cost" denotes the estimated cost to provide services for one month or more.

<u>Permanent Facilities</u> - The term "Permanent Facilities" denotes facilities providing service for one month or more.

Recoverable Cost - The term "Recoverable Cost" denotes the cost of the specially constructed facilities for which the Telephone Company has a foreseeable reuse, either in place or elsewhere, should the service be terminated.

<u>Termination Charge</u> - The term "Termination Charge" denotes the portion of the Maximum Termination Liability that is applied as a nonrecurring charge when all services are discontinued prior to the expiration of the specified liability period.

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ACCESS SERVICE SECTION 17 Rates and Charges

17.1.1 Common Line Access

(A)

17.1 Common Line Access Service

Regulations concerning Carrier Common Line Access are set forth in Section 3 preceding.

- Terminating Per Access Minute

		- Origin	nating Per Access Minute	\$0.00	
17.2	Switched Acces	ss Servic	<u>ce</u>		
	Regulations cor	ncerning	Switched Access are set forth in Section 6	preceding.	
	17.2.1	Nonre	ecurring Charges	<u>Rate</u>	
		(A)	Local Transport - Installation Per Line or Trunk	**	(C)
		(B)	Interim NXX Translation Per Order Per LATA or Market Area	**	(C)
		(C)	<u>Trunk Conversion</u> , per 24 trunks or fraction thereof	**	(C)
	17.2.2	Local	<u>Transport</u>		

Carrier Identification Parameter (CIP)

- Voice Grade

- DS1

- DS3

Rate

\$0.00

\$ 3.34

\$ 80.16

\$2,244.48

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17.2 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

17.2.2 <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)

(B) Entrance Facility Per Termination

	Monthly	Nonrecurring
	Charge	Charge
Voice Grade 2 Wire	**	**
Voice Grade 4 Wire	**	**
DS1	**	**
DS3	**	**

(C) Direct Trunk Transport

	Facility <u>Per Mile</u>	Termination Per Termination
Voice Grade	**	**
DS1	**	**
DS3	**	**

(D) Multiplexing Per Arrangement

	Monthly
	Charge
DS1 - Voice	**
DS3 - DS1	**

(E) Tandem Switched Transport

	<u>Rate</u>
Tandem Switched Facility	
per Originating minute per mile	**
per Terminating minute per mile	**
Tandem Switched Termination	
per Originating minute	**
per Terminating minute	**
Tandem Switching per Minute	
per Originating minute	**
per Terminating minute	**
Total and Control of Marking and	

Tandem Switched Multiplexing*	
Per Originating minute, per Multiplexer	**
Per Terminating minute, per Multiplexer	**

#Applies to usage billed as of July 1, 2017

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17.2 <u>Switched Access Service</u>

Regulations concerning Switched Access are set forth in Section 6 preceding.

17.2.3	End Of	<u>ffice</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
	(A)	Local Switching		
		- Local Switching Per Originating Access Minu Feature Groups A, B, C, & D	ute **	(C)
		- Local Switching Per Terminating Access Mir Feature Groups A, B, C, & D	nute **	
		- Automatic Number Identification Feature Group D, per attempt	**	(C)
	(B)	Information Surcharge Per 100 Originating Access Minutes	\$0.0000	(R)

Per 100 Terminating Access Minutes

\$0.0000

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17.2 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

	17.2.4	<u>Assı</u>	umed Minutes of Use	Assume Minute <u>Per Mo</u>	es
		(A)	Feature Group A, Two Way Calling	4195	
		(B)	Feature Group A, Originating Only	1510	
		(C)	Feature Group A, Terminating Only	2685	
	17.2.5	800/	888/877 Database Access Service Queries		
			Per Completed Query Basic* July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023 On and after July 1, 2023	\$0.0042480 \$0.0022240 \$0.0002000	(C) (R)
17.3	Other Serv	<u>/ices</u>			(R)(C) (R)
	17.3.1	Acce	ess Ordering Charge		(D)
		(A)	Access Order Charge		
			Switched Access Order Charge, per order Special Access Order Charge, per order	\$110.00 \$56.00	
		(B)	Service Date Change Charge		
			A Service Date Change Charge will apply, on a per order per occurrence basis, for each service date changed. The Access Order Charge as specified in 17.4.1(A) preceding does not apply. The applicable charge is:		
			Service Date Change Charge, per order	\$ 32.00	

* Includes Vertical Feature. (C)

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17.3.1 Access Ordering (Cont'd)

	(C)	Design Change Charge	<u>Rate</u>
		The Design Change Charge will apply on a per order per occurrence basis, for each order requiring design change. The applicable charge is:	
		Design Change Charge, per order	\$32.00
	(D)	Miscellaneous Service Order Charge	
		Per Occurrence	\$32.00
	(E)	Special Access Record Order Change	
		Per Order	\$35.90
17.3.2	Additi	onal Engineering	
	Additi	onal Engineering Periods	Each Half Hour or Fraction <u>Thereof</u>
	(A)	Basic Time per engineer normally scheduled working hours	\$20.43
	(B)	Overtime per engineer outside of normally scheduled working hours	\$30.65
	(C)	Premium Time outside of scheduled work day, per engineer	\$40.87

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17.3.3 <u>Additional Labor</u>

	Additional Labor Periods	Each Half Hour or Fraction <u>Thereof</u>
(A)	Installation or Repair: - Overtime, outside of normally scheduled working hours on a scheduled work day, per technician	\$28.93 [*]
	 Premium Time, outside of scheduled work day, per technician 	\$38.57 [*]
(B)	Stand by	
	 Basic time, normally scheduled working hours, per technician 	\$20.84
	 Overtime, outside of normally scheduled working hours on a scheduled work day, per technician 	\$31.26 [*]
	 Premium Time, outside of scheduled work day, per technician 	\$41.68 [*]

^{*} A call out of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

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17.3.3 <u>Additional Labor</u> (Cont'd)

	Additional Labor Periods	Each Half Hour or Frac Installation and Repair Technician	tion Thereof: Central Office Maintenance <u>Technician</u>
(C)	Testing and Maintenance with other Telephone Companies, or Other Labor		
	 Basic Time per technician normally scheduled working hours 	\$19.29	\$19.55
	 Overtime per technician outside of normally scheduled working hours on a scheduled work day 	\$28.93 [*]	\$29.32 [*]
	- Premium Time per technician	\$38.57 [*]	\$39.09 [*]

A call out of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

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17.3.4 Miscellaneous Services

(A) Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing -

Switched Access

Each Half Hour or Fraction

Testing Periods

Thereof

Basic Time, Overtime* and Premium Time*

See the rates for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.4.3(C) preceding.

Additional Automatic Testing - Switched Access (B)

To First Point of Switching

Additional Tests	Per Test Per Transmission Path
Gain-Slope Tests	\$2.89
C-Notched Noise Tests	\$2.89
1004 Hz Loss**	\$2.89
C-Message Noise**	\$2.89
Balance (return loss)**	\$2.89

A call out of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

¹⁰⁰⁴ Hz Loss, C-Message Noise and Balance are non-chargeable routine tests; however, they may be requested on an as needed or more than routine scheduled basis, in which case the charges herein apply.

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17.3.4 <u>Miscellaneous Services</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Additional Manual Testing - Switched Access

To First Point of Switching

Additional Tests Each Half Hour

or Fraction Thereof

Gain-Slope,

C-Notched Noise and See the rates any other agreed to tests, per technician Labor as set forth in 17.3.3(C)

preceding

(D) Maintenance of Service

Each Half Hour

Maintenance of Service or Fraction
Periods Thereof

Basic Time, Overtime*

and Premium Time* See the rates

for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.3.3(C)

preceding

(E) Telecommunications Service

Priority, Per Service

Arranged \$54.63

(F) Controller Arrangement,

Per Arrangement \$100.00

^{*} A call out of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

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17.3 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.3.4 <u>Miscellaneous Services</u> (Cont'd)

(G) Access Services Billing

Regulations concerning Access Services Billing are set forth in 13.3.8 preceding.

(1) Secondary Bill

<u>oosonaary Din</u>	Monthly <u>Rate</u>
Standard Paper(per page) Magnetic Tape(per tape) Data Transmission(per transmission)	\$0.03 \$39.50 \$20.25

(2) Additional Copies

Additional Copies	Non Recurring <u>Charge</u>
Standard Paper(per page) Magnetic Tape(per tape) Data Transmission(per transmission)	\$0.06 \$48.00 \$28.00

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17.4 <u>Billing and Collection Services</u>

Regulations concerning Billing and Collection Services are set forth in Section 8.

17.4.1 Non-Bottleneck Billing and Collection Service (Billing Service)

(A)	Rates and Charges		<u>Rates</u>	
		10/01/92	10/01/93	1 <u>0/01/94</u>
	(1) Billing Service - InterLATA - per message	0.1595	0.1142	0.0689
	(2) Billing Service – IntraLATA - per message	0.0535		
	(3) Program Development			
	- Basic, per hour (applicable to work performed within the Telephone Company's normal work schedule and using the normal work force)	\$122.77		
	 Premium, per hour (applicable to work performed outside the Telephone Company's normal work schedule and using the normal force) 	\$196.44		

These rates are for illustrative purposes. Actual rates for 10/01/93 and 10/01/94 may vary from those listed.

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17.4.1 Non-Bottleneck Billing and Collection Service (Billing Service)

(B) <u>Billing Analysis Service Rates</u>

Data diangan ing	<u>Rates</u>
Detection service, - Signal Irregularity Report per office, per day	\$ 29.47
- Continuous Scan per office, per week	98.22
Investigative Service	
 Investigative Services, per hour 	88.40 [*]
- Support Service, per hour	49.11 [*]
- Documentation Scan	
per line, per occurrence	589.31
- Preservation of Evidence,	
per week	19.64
Deterrance Comice	
Deterrence Service	99.40*
- Investigator Services, per hour	88.40 [*] 49.11 [*]
- Support Services, per hour	49.11
Special Order, each	24.55
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^{*} Premium time per hour rates are two times the per hour rates.

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17.4.1 Non-Bottleneck Billing and Collection Service (Billing Service)

(C) Billing Information Service

	Message <u>Detail</u>	Acct <u>Detail</u>	Equipment <u>Detail</u>	On <u>Tape</u>
(1) CF	RIS 10 Working Day, Information Service, - Paper output, per record processed	\$0.0015	\$0.0015	\$0.0015
	- Magnetic tape, per record processed	0.0015	0.0015	0.0015
	- per tape or data file			50.48
	 Fiche output, per record processed 	0.0015	0.0015	0.0015
(2)	DBAS Information Service, - Paper output, per record processed - Magnetic tape, per record processed - per tape or data file - Fiche output, per record processed			0.0015 0.0015 50.48 0.0015
(3)	CRIS File or DBAS File interrogation - per request received			ICB rates and charges apply

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17.4.1 Non-Bottleneck Billing and Collection Service (Billing Service)

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(C)	Billing Information Service (Cont'd)	Rates
(4)	Program Development charge, - Basic, per hour (applicable to work performed per person within the Telephone Company's normal work schedule and using the normal work force.)	\$122.77
	- Premium, per hour (applicable to work performed per person within the Telephone Company's normal work schedule and/or which requires additions to the work force.)	\$196.44
(5)	CNA Information Service, - CNA verbal interrogation per telephone number per confirmation	\$.50 \$ 10.10
	- CNA main interrogation, per telephone number	\$.41
(6)	Data transmission of Billing Information Service Details, ICB rates and to a location designated by the customer -Charges apply - per record transmitted	
(7)	Marking of Message End User Accounts - marking, per end user account - maintenance of mark,	\$ 1.02

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per end user account per month

\$ 0.07

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17.4.1 Non-Bottleneck Billing and Collection Service (Billing Service)

(C) <u>Billing Information Service</u> (Cont'd)

(0)		<u>Rates</u>
(8)	Updating of customer data bases or files - per record transmitted	ICB rate and charge apply
(9)	Provision of Bill Information Service - per Special Order	\$25.24
(10)	Dedicated Support Services - per hour	30.37 [*]
(11)	Computer Processing Service - per minute	13.70

^{*} The Quick Turnaround per record charge and the per tape charge is three times the 10 working day record charge and per tape charge.

^{*} Premium time per hour rates are two times the per hour rates.

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17.4 Billing and Collection Services (Cont'd)

17.4.2 Recording Service

Rates and Charges

The rates and charges are:

			Rates	
(A)	Recording,*	10/01/92	10/01/93	10/01/94 [#]
()	- per customer message	\$.0186	\$.0555	\$.0928
(B)	Assembling and editing,	\$0.0102		
(C)	Provision of customer message detail,** - unsorted output,			
	per record processed	\$0.0102		
	 sorted output, per record processed 	ICB rates charges a		
	- per tape or data file	\$50.48		
(D)	Data transmission to a customer location, - per record transmitted	ICB rates charges a		
(E)	Special Order for: - Recording Service by end office and type of call	ICB		
	- All other Recording Services	\$25.24		

[#] These rates are for illustrative purposes. Actual rates for 07/01/93 and 07/01/94 may vary from those listed.

The Recording rate applies to intraLATA messages only when the customer does not order Billing

Applies to all originating messages for which recording service is ordered and Billing Service is not ordered.

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\$ 25.24

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17.4 Billing and Collection Services (Cont'd)

17.4.2 Recording Service (Cont'd)

Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(F) **Program Development**

> - Basic, per hour \$122.77

(applicable to work performed within the Telephone Company's normal work schedule and using the normal work force)

- Premium, per hour (applicable to work performed outside the Telephone Company's normal work schedule and/or which requires additions to the

work force)

17.4.3 Automatic Number Identification (ANI)

Rates and Charges Rates

07/01/93# 07/01/94# 10/01/92

Automatic Number* (A) Identification

- per attempt \$0.0172 \$0.0345 \$0.0519

[#] These rates are for illustrative purposes. Actual rates for 07/01/93 and 07/01/94 may vary from those listed.

^{*} Rate applies only if Recording Service rate is not applied. In addition, for intraLATA messages, the ANI rate applies only when the customer does not order Billing Service.

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17.4 Billing and Collection Services (Cont'd)

17.4.4 Billing Name and Address Service

Rates and Charges		<u>Rates</u>
(A)	BNA Service - Manual Basis	
	Service Establishment Charge	
	Without DTN capabilityWith DTN capability	\$1,595.55 \$1,595.55
	Per telephone number or DTN by:	
	Verbal requestWritten request	.48 .48
(B)	BNA Service - Mechanized Basis	
	Service Establishment Charge Per message processed	\$1,595.55 .02
(C)	Master BNA List Service Establishment Charge	\$1,595.55
	- Written request per listing	.02
	 Mechanized request per listing 	.02
(D)	Recent Change BNA List	
	- Written request, per listing	.02
	- Mechanized request, per listing	.02

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17.5 IntraLATA Presubscription

Rates and Charges

Non-Recurring Charge

- (A) Primary Carrier Change Charge when not performed in conjunction with interLATA Primary Carrier Change, per line or trunk \$9.50*
- (B) Primary Carrier Change Charge when performed in conjunction with interLATA Primary Carrier Change, per line or trunk

\$4.50*

(C) Unauthorized Primary Carrier \$100.00 Change Charge

> Recurring Charge \$0.00

Recurring charge assessed to IC's (D) participating in ILP, per presubscribed access line per month

^{*} For a limited time only, Windstream New York, Inc. subscribers to local service may change their IntraLATA Primary Carrier at no charge. To receive this promotional offering a customer must place a completed order for service between February 26, 2001 and April 9, 2001. If order completion is delayed due to Telephone Company reasons, the order completion date will be extended. This offering is not available with any other promotions.

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17.6 Special Access Service

17.6.1 Surcharge for Special Access Service

The Special Access Surcharge is applicable to all issuing carriers referencing Section 7 of this tariff.

	Monthly <u>Rate</u>	Tariff Section <u>Reference</u>
- Per Voice Grade Equivalent	\$25.00	7.3

17.6.2 Reserved for Future Use

17.6.3 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Installation Charges

		<u>Rate</u>
(A)	Premise Visit Charge, per visit	\$19.00
(B)	C.O. Line/Port, 0-99 C.O. Line/Port, >99	\$50.05 \$35.90
(C)	C.O. Line Change Charge	\$26.05

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17.6.4 <u>Voice Grade Service</u>

Regulations concerning Voice Grade Service are set forth in 7.6 preceding.

(A)	Channel Termination Per Termination		Monthly <u>Rate</u>	Nonrecurring <u>Charge</u>	
	(1) (2)	Two-Wire Four-Wire	\$21.53 \$40.61	\$159.00 \$159.00	
(B)	Channe	el Mileage Facility	<u>Rate</u>		
	Per airline mile or fraction thereof		\$12.67		
	Channe	el Mileage Termination			
	Per Termination		\$18.43		
(C)	Optional Features and Functions		Monthly	Nonrecurring	
	(1)	Bridging Per Port	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Charge</u>	
		- Two-Wire/Four-Wire	\$5.80	\$34.46	
	(2)	Conditioning Per Termination			
		- C-Type	\$11.65	\$37.45	
	(3)	Conditioning Per Termination			
		- Data Conditioning - 2 Wire - Data Conditioning - 4 Wire	\$4.67 \$11.65	\$37.45 \$37.45	

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17.6.4 <u>Voice Grade Service</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

		Monthly <u>Rate</u>	Nonrecurring <u>Charge</u>
(4)	Conditioning Per Termination - Telephoto Capability	N/A	N/A
(5)	Improved Return Loss for Effective Two-Wire or Four-Wire Transmission.		
	Rate applied per Channel Termination.	N/A	N/A
(6)	Customer Specified Receive Level per Two-Wire Termination.	N/A	N/A
(7)	Multiplexing per Arrangement Voice to Telegraph grade per Channel Termination.	N/A	N/A
(8)	Signaling Capability per Termination	N/A	N/A
(9)	Selective Signaling Arrangement per Arrangement.	\$18.20	\$61.31
(10)	Transfer Arrangement per four port Arrangement.	N/A	N/A
(11)	Public Packet Switching Network (PPSN) Interface Arrangement. Rate applied per Arrangement.	N/A	N/A
(12)	Improved Termination Option for Termination.	N/A	N/A
(13)	2 Wire Voice Functionality 4 Wire Voice Functionality	\$7.07 \$19.99	N/A N/A
(14)	PXOS Features		
	Type A Type B Type C	\$12.77 \$12.77 \$ 6.57	N/A N/A N/A

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17.6.5	Reserved for Future Use				
17.6.6	Reserved for Future Use				
17.6.7	Digital Data Service				
	Regulations concerning Digital Data Service are set forth in 7.9 preceding.				
	(A) Channel Termination Per Termination				
				Monthly <u>Rate</u>	Nonrecurring <u>Charge</u>
		(1)	2.4,4.8,9.6,19.2,56, and 64 Kbps	\$74.89	\$150.00
	(B)	<u>Channel Mileage</u>			
	()			Facility <u>Per Mile</u>	
		(1)	2.4,4.8,9.6,19.2,56, and 64 Kbps	\$4.91	
				Termination Per Termination	
		(2)	2.4,4.8,9.6,19.2, 56, and 64 Kbps	\$15.26	
	(C)	Optio	onal Features and Functions		
	()	- <u>-</u> -		Monthly <u>Rate</u>	Nonrecurring <u>Charge</u>
		(1)	Bridging per port	N/A	N/A
		(2)	Loop Transfer Arrangement Per four port arrangement Key activated or Dial-Up	N/A	N/A
	(D)	D) <u>Channel Service Unit</u>			
		- Pei	r Termination	Reserved for	Future Use

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17.6 <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

17.6.8 <u>High Capacity Service</u>

Regulations concerning High Capacity Service are set forth in 7.10 preceding.

(Δ)	Channel	Termination	Per Termination
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(74)	Onami	or reminations of remination	Monthly Rate	Nonrecurring <u>Charge</u>
	(1)	1.544 Mbps	\$269.93	\$585.00
(B)	Chann	<u>el Mileage</u>	Facility <u>Per Mile</u>	
	(1)	1.544 Kbps	\$41.53	
			Termination Per <u>Termination</u>	
	(2)	1.544 Kbps	\$64.89	
(C)	Option	Optional Features and Functions		
	(1)	Multiplexing, per arrangement	<u>Rate</u>	
		(a) DS4 to DS1 (b) DS3 to DS1 (c) DS1 to Voice	N/A N/A \$441.24	

N/A

N/A

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DS1 to DS0

DS0 to Subrates

(d)

(e)

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17.6.8 <u>High Capacity Service</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

Monthly <u>Rate</u>

(2) Automatic Loop Transfer Per arrangement

N/A

(3) Transfer Arrangement (key activated or dial up)

- Per four port arrangement including control channel termination

N/A

(D) <u>Network Channel Terminating Equipment</u> (NCTE) Per Termination

 Monthly Rate

 Automatic

 1.544
 Loop

 Mbps
 Transfer

 N/A
 N/A

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17.6.9 <u>Individual Case Filings</u>

Rate and charges for Special Access Service provided on an individual case basis are filed following:

Customer: Central Square School District

Monthly

a) Distance Learning Rate \$2,483.00

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17.6.10 <u>Service Discount Plans</u>

a) High Capacity 1.544 Mbps (DS1)

Plan LengthDiscount %36 MonthsN/A60 MonthsN/A

b) High Capacity 44.736 Mbps (DS3)

Plan LengthDiscount %36 MonthsN/A60 MonthsN/A

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The Gross Revenue Tax Surcharge rates as per Section 2.6 are as follows:

Gross Revenue Tax Surcharge Period

June 1, 1992 - December 31, 1992 5.3069% January 1, 1993 - December 31, 1993 4.9043% January 1, 1992 + 4.4386%