BROADVIEW NETWORKS OF VIRGINIA, INC.

VA SCC TARIFF NO. 3

REGULATIONS, DESCRIPTIONS, AND RATES APPLICABLE TO COMPETITIVE INTRASTATE ACCESS SERVICES PROVIDED BY BROADVIEW NETWORKS OF VIRGINIA, INC. WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This tariff is applicable to Broadview Networks of Virginia, Inc.'s provisioning of competitive access services within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Rate Classes and Exchange Areas are as described in Va. S.C.C. N0.1 and Va. S.C.C N0.2.

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff for the Access Services of this Company are defined below.

<u>Access Code</u>: A uniform seven digit code assigned by the Company to an individual Customer. The seven digit code has the form 950-XXXX or 101XXXX.

Access Services: Services provided pursuant to this tariff by the Company.

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<u>Access Service Request (ASR)</u>: The industry service order format used by Access Service Customers and access providers as agreed to by the Ordering and Billing Forum.

<u>Access Tandem</u>: A switching system that provides a traffic concentration and distribution function for originating or terminating traffic between end offices and a Customer Designated Premises.

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<u>Authorized User</u>: A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use Access Services or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use Access Services.

Broadview: Broadview Networks of Virginia, Inc., issuer of this tariff.

Carrier or Common Carrier: See Interexchange Carrier or Exchange Carrier.

<u>Co-Carrier</u>: Any other Telecommunications provider authorized by the Commission to provide local exchange service in the state.

Commission: Virginia State Corporation Commission

<u>Common Channel Signaling (CCS)</u>: A high-speed packet switched communications network which is separate (out of band) from the public packet switched and message networks. It is used to carry addressed signaling messages for individual trunk circuits and/or database related services between signaling points in the CCS network.

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<u>Constructive Order</u>: Delivery of calls to or acceptance of calls from the Company's End User locations over Company-switched local exchange services constitutes a Constructive Order by the Customer to purchase switched access services as described herein. Similarly when Company's End User presubscribes to the Customer's interexchange services, such presubscruption by Company's End User constitutes a Constructive Order of switched access by the Customer.

<u>Customer</u> :	Any individual,	partnership,	association,	corporation	or oth	ner entity	which	subscribes t	o the
services offered under this tariff, including both Interexchange Carriers and End Users.									

<u>Customer Designated Premises</u>: The Premises specified by the Customer for termination of Access Services.

<u>8XX Data Base Access Service</u>: The term "8XX Data Base Access Service" denotes a toll-free originating Trunkside Access Service when the 8XX Service Access Code (i.e., 800, 822, 833, 844, 855, 866, 877, or 888 as available) is used.

End User: Any customer of a a telecommunications service or a VoIP Service that is not a Carrier or Common Carrier, except that a Carrier shall be deemed to be an End User when such Carrier uses a telecommunications service for administrative purposes. 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 when making such service available to others, directly or indirectly. A Retail VoIP Service Provider Partner shall be deemed to be an End User if the Retail VoIP Service Provider Partner delivers originating or terminating traffic in volume to the Company at one or more aggregation points. A customer of a Retail VoIP Service Provider Partner shall be deemed to be an End User to the extent that the Company partners with the Retail VoIP Service Provider Partner serving that customer to provide Access Services under this tariff.

<u>End User Premises</u>: The physical location specified by Customer or an End User for the origination or termination of Access Services, or in the event that a Retail VoIP Service Provider Partner is the End User, the point(s) at which the Retail VoIP Service Provider Partner delivers aggregated traffic to the Company.

<u>Exchange Carrier</u>: Any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged in the provision of local exchange telephone service.

<u>FCC USF/ICC Order</u>: The Report and Order issued by the Federal Communications Commission in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 11-161 (Nov. 18, 2011).

<u>Individual Case Basis</u>: A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the Customer's situation.

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS, (Cont'd.)

<u>Interstate Communications</u>: Any communications that originate in one state and terminate in another state, whether telecommunications service or VoIP Service. Interstate Communications includes interstate and international communications.

<u>Intrastate Communications</u>: Any communication which originates and terminates within the same state, whether telecommunications service or VoIP Service.

<u>Interexchange Carrier (IXC)</u> or <u>Interexchange Common Carrier</u>: Any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged in state or foreign communication for hire by wire or radio, between two or more exchanges.

<u>LATA</u>: A local access and transport area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192 for the provision and administration of communications services.

<u>Line Information Data Base (LIDB)</u>: The data base which contains base information such as telephone numbers, calling card numbers and associated billed number restriction data used in connection with the validation and billing of calls.

<u>Local Access</u>: The connection between a Customer's premises and a point of presence of the Exchange Carrier.

<u>Local Switching Center</u>: The switching center where telephone exchange service Customer station Channels are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to interoffice Trunks.

MOU: Minutes of use.

Meet Point: A point of interconnection that is not an end office or tandem.

<u>Meet Point Billing</u>: The arrangement through which multiple Exchange Carriers involved in providing Access Services, divide the ordering, rating, and billing of such services on a proportional basis, so that each Exchange Carrier involved in providing a portion of the Access Service agrees to bill under its respective tariff.

<u>Mobile Telephone Switching Office</u>: Location where the wireless Customer maintains a facility for purposes of interconnecting to the Company's Network.

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<u>Mutual Traffic Exchange</u>: A compensation arrangement between certified local exchange service providers where local exchange service providers pay each other "in kind" for terminating local exchange traffic on the other's network.

<u>Network Services</u>: The Company's telecommunications Access Services offered on the Company's Network.

<u>Non-Recurring Charges</u>: The one-time initial charges for services or facilities, including but not limited to charges for construction, installation, or special fees, for which the Customer becomes liable at the time the Service Order is executed.

Off-Hook: The active condition of Switched Access or a telephone exchange service line.

On-Hook: The idle condition of switched access or a telephone exchange service line.

<u>Out of Band Signaling</u>: An exchange access signaling feature which allows customers to exchange call control and signaling information over a communications path which is separate from the message path.

<u>Point of Presence</u>: Location where the Customer maintains a facility for purposes of interconnecting to the Company's Network.

<u>Premises</u>: The space occupied by a Customer or Authorized User in a building or buildings or on contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.).

<u>Presubscription</u>: An arrangement whereby an End User may select and designate to the Company an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) or Carriers it wishes to access, without an Access Code, for completing both intraLATA toll calls and/or interLATA calls. The selected IXC(s) are referred to as the End User's Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC).

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS, (Cont'd.)

<u>Recurring Charges</u>: The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

<u>Service Order</u>: The written request for Network Services executed by the Customer and the Company in a format devised by the Company; or, in the alternative, the submission of an Access Service Request by the Customer in the manner specified in this tariff.

Service(s): The Company's telecommunications Access Services offered on the Company's Network.

<u>Signaling Point of Interface</u>: The Customer designated location where the SS7 signaling information is exchanged between the Company and the Customer.

<u>Signaling System 7 (SS7)</u>: The common Channel Out of Band Signaling protocol developed by the Consultative Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

Switched Access Service: The services described in Section 4 of this tariff.

<u>Trunk</u>: A communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

<u>VoIP-PSTN</u> Traffic: Traffic exchanged in time division multiplexing ("TDM") format that originates and/or terminates in Internet protocol ("IP") format.

VoIP Service: IP-enabled service.

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<u>Wireless Provider</u>: Any carrier authorized to operate as a provider of cellular, personal communications, paging or any other form of wireless transmission.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.1 Undertaking of the Company

2.1.1 <u>Scope</u>

Broadview's services offered pursuant to this Tariff are furnished for Switched Access Service. Broadview may offer these services over its own or resold facilities.

Broadview installs, operates, and maintains the communications services provided herein in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth under this Tariff. Broadview may act as the Customer's agent for ordering access connection facilities provided by other carriers or entities as required in the Commission's rules and orders, when authorized by the Customer, to allow connection of a Customer's location to the Broadview network. The Customer shall be responsible for all charges due for such service agreement.

The Company's services and facilities are provided on a monthly basis unless otherwise indicated, and are available twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

2.1.2 Shortage of Equipment or Facilities

- A. The Company reserves the right to limit or to allocate the use of existing facilities, or of additional facilities offered by the Company when necessary because of lack of facilities or due to some other cause beyond the Company's control.
- B. The furnishing of service under this tariff is subject to the availability on a continuing basis of all the necessary facilities and is limited to the capacity of the Company's facilities as well as facilities the company may obtain from other Carriers from time to time, to furnish service as required at the sole discretion of the Company.
- C. The provisioning and restoration of service in emergencies 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.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.3 Terms and Conditions

- A. The Company's services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of services. The Customer remains liable for all obligations under this Tariff and the Company shall have no liability to any person or entity other than the Customer.
- B. Except as otherwise provided herein, service is provided and billed on the basis of a minimum period of at least one month, and shall continue to be provided until canceled by the Customer, either verbally or in writing, on not less than 30 days notice. Unless otherwise specified herein, for the purpose of computing charges in this tariff, a month is considered to have 30 days.
- C. Customers seeking to cancel service have an affirmative obligation to block traffic originating from or terminating to the Company's network. By originating traffic from or originating traffic to the Company's network, the Customer will have constructively ordered the Company's switched access service.
- D. The Customer agrees to operate Company-provided equipment in accordance with instructions of the Company or the Company's agent. Failure to do so will void Company liability for interruption of service and may make the Customer responsible for damage to equipment pursuant to section 2.3.1.D below.
- E. The Customer agrees to return to the Company all Company-provided equipment delivered to Customer within five (5) days of termination of the service in connection with which the equipment was used. Said equipment shall be in the same condition as when delivered to Customer, normal wear and tear only excepted. Customer shall reimburse the Company, upon demand, for any costs incurred by the Company due to Customer's failure to comply with this provision.
- F. The use of the Company's services without payment for service or attempting to avoid payment for service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers is prohibited.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.4 <u>Liability of the Company</u>

- THE LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY FOR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF A. THE FURNISHING OF ITS SERVICES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MISTAKES, OMISSIONS, INTERRUPTIONS, DELAYS, ERRORS, OTHER DEFECTS, OR REPRESENTATIONS BY THE COMPANY, OR USE OF THESE SERVICES OR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THE FAILURE TO FURNISH THE SERVICE WHETHER CAUSED BY ACT OR OMISSION, SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE EXTENSION OF ALLOWANCES FOR INTERRUPTION AS SET FORTH IN 2.6 BELOW. THE EXTENSION OF SUCH ALLOWANCES FOR INTERRUPTION SHALL BE THE SOLE REMEDY OF THE CUSTOMER AND THE SOLE LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY. THE COMPANY WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, OR FOR ANY LOST PROFITS OF ANY KIND, TO CUSTOMER AS A RESULT OF ANY COMPANY SERVICE, EOUIPMENT OR FACILITIES. OR THE ACTS OR OMISSIONS OR NEGLIGENCE OF THE COMPANY'S EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS.
- B. With respect to any other claim or suit, by a Customer or by any others, for damages associated with the ordering (including the reservation of any specific number for use with a service), installation (including delays thereof), provision, termination, maintenance, repair interruption or restoration of any service or facilities offered under this tariff, and subject to the provisions of the Company's liability, if any, shall be limited as provided herein.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.4 <u>Liability of the Company, (cont'd.)</u>

- C. The Company shall not be liable for any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond its control, including but not limited to: acts of God, fire, flood, explosion or other catastrophes; any law, order, regulation, direction action, or request of The United States government or of any other government, including state and local governments having or claiming jurisdiction over the Company, or of any department, agency, commission, bureau, corporation, or other instrumentality of any one or more of these federal, state, or local governments, or of any military authority; preemption of existing service in compliance with national emergencies; insurrections; riots; wars; unavailability of rights-of-way or materials; or strikes, lockouts work stoppages, or other labor difficulties.
- D. The Company shall not be liable for (a) any act or omission of any entity furnishing the Company or the Company's Customers facilities or equipment used for the interconnection with Access Services; or (b) for the acts or omissions of other Common Carriers.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.4 <u>Liability of the Company, (cont'd.)</u>

- E. The Company shall not be liable for any damages or losses due to the fault or negligence of the Customer or due to the failure or malfunction of Customer-provided equipment or facilities.
- F. The Customer shall indemnify and hold the Company harmless from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other actions, or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any other party or person(s), and for any loss, damage, or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, condition, location, or use of any installation or equipment provided by the Company. The Company reserves the right to require each Customer to sign an agreement acknowledging acceptance of the provisions of this Section 2.1.4.F as a condition precedent to such installations.
- G. The Company shall not be liable for any defacement of or damage to Customers Premises resulting from the furnishing of services or equipment on such Premises or the installation or removal thereof, unless such defacement or damage is caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Company's agents or employees. No agents or employees of other participating Carriers shall be deemed to be agents or employees' of the Company.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.4 <u>Liability of the Company, (cont'd.)</u>

- H. Notwithstanding the Customer's obligations as set forth in Section 2.3 below, the Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the Customer, or by others authorized by it to use the service, against any claim, loss or damage arising from Customer's use of services furnished under this tariff, including: claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy or infringement of copyright arising from the material, data, information, or other content transmitted via the Company's service; and patent infringement claims arising from combining or connecting the service offered by the Company with apparatus and systems of the Customer or others; all other claims arising out of any act or omission of the Customer or others, in connection with any service provided by the Company pursuant to this tariff.
- I. The Company shall be indemnified 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 including: claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy or infringement of copyright arising from the End User's own communications; patent infringement claims arising from the End User's combining or connecting the service offered by the Company with facilities or equipment furnished by the End User of another Interexchange Carrier; or all other claims arising out of any act or omission of the End User in connection with any service provided pursuant to this tariff.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.4 <u>Liability of the Company, (cont'd.)</u>

- J. The entire liability of the Company for any claim, loss, damage or expense from any cause whatsoever shall in no event exceed sums actually paid to the Company by the Customer for the specific services giving rise to the claim, and no action or proceeding against the Company shall be commenced more than one year after the service is rendered.
- K. The Company makes no warranties or representation, express or implied, including warranties or merchant's ability or fitness for a particular use, except those expressly set forth herein.
- L. The Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any other company or companies furnishing a portion of the service, or for damages associated with service, Channels, or equipment which result from the operation of Customer-provided systems, equipment, facilities or service which are interconnected with Company services.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.4 <u>Liability of the Company, (cont'd.)</u>

- M. The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to service installations at locations at which there is present an atmosphere that is explosive, prone to fire, dangerous or otherwise unsuitable for such installations. The Customer and End User shall indemnify and hold the Company harmless from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits or other actions, or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party, for any personal injury to, or death of, any person or persons, or for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly, by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, locations or use of service furnished by the Company at such locations.
- N. The Company shall not be liable for the Customer's failure to fulfill its obligations to take all necessary steps including, without limitation, obtaining, installing and maintaining all necessary equipment, materials and supplies, for interconnecting the terminal equipment or communications system of the Customer, or any third party acting as its agent, to the Company's Network. The Customer shall secure all licenses, permits, rights-of-way, and other arrangements necessary for such interconnection. In addition, the Customer shall ensure that its equipment and/or system or that of its agent is properly interfaced with the Company's service, that the signals emitted into the Company's Network are of the proper mode, band-width, power, data speed, and signal level for the intended use of the Customer and in compliance with the criteria set forth in Section 2.1.6 following, and that the signals do not damage Company equipment, injure its personnel or degrade service to other Customers. If the Customer or its agent fails to maintain and operate its equipment and/or system or that of its agent properly, with resulting imminent harm to Company equipment, personnel, or the quality of service to other Customers, the Company, may, upon written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense. If this fails to produce satisfactory quality and safety, the Company may, upon written notice, terminate the Customer's service without liability.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.5 <u>Notification of Service-Affecting Activities</u>

The Company will provide the Customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities within its control that may occur in normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, equipment or facilities additions, removals or rearrangements and routine preventative maintenance. Generally, such activities are not specific to an individual Customer but affect many Customers' services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service activities. The Company will work cooperatively with the Customer to determine the reasonable, notification requirements. With some emergency or unplanned service-affecting conditions, such as an outage resulting from cable damage, notification to the Customer may not be possible.

2.1.6 Provisions of Equipment and Facilities

A. The Company shall use reasonable efforts to make available services to a Customer on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions of and compliance by the Customer with, the regulations contained in this tariff. The Company does not guarantee availability by any such date and shall not be liable for any delays in commencing service to any Customer.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.6 <u>Provisions of Equipment and Facilities, (cont'd.)</u>

- B. The Company shall use reasonable efforts to maintain facilities and equipment that it furnishes to the Customer. The Customer may not, nor may the Customer permit others to, rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair or otherwise interfere with any of the facilities or equipment installed by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.
- C. The Company may substitute, change or rearrange any equipment or facility at any time and from time to time, but shall not thereby alter the technical parameters of the service provided the Customer.
- D. Equipment the Company provides or installs at the Customer Premises for use in connection with the services the Company offers shall not be used for any purpose other than that for which the Company provided it.
- E. The Customer shall be responsible for the payment of service charges for visits by the Company's agents or employees to Premises of the Customer when the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by any party other than the Company, including but not limited to the Customer.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.6 Provisions of Equipment and Facilities, (cont'd.)

- F. The Company shall not be responsible for the installation, operation, or maintenance of any Customer provided communications equipment. Where such equipment is connected to the facilities furnished pursuant to this tariff, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities offered under this tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such facilities. Notwithstanding the above, the Company shall not be responsible for:
 - 1. the transmission of signals by Customer-provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission;
 - 2. the reception of signals by Customer-provided equipment; or
 - 3. network control signaling where such signaling is performed by Customer-provided network control signaling equipment.
- G. The 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.
- H. The Company reserves the reasonable right to assign, designate or change telephone numbers, any other call number designations associated with Access Services, or the Company serving central office prefixes associated with such numbers, when necessary in the conduct of its business.

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.7 <u>Non-routine Installation</u>

At the Customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours or in unusual locations. In such cases, charges based on cost of the actual labor, material, or other costs incurred by or charged to the Company will apply. If installation is started during regular business hours but, at the Customer's request, extends beyond regular business hours into time periods including, but not limited to, weekends, holidays, and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.

2.1.8 Special Construction

Subject to the arrangement of the Company and to all of the regulations contained in this tariff, special construction of facilities may be undertaken on a reasonable efforts basis at the request of the Customer. Special construction is that construction undertaken and characterized by one or more of the following:

- A. where facilities are not presently available and there is no other requirement for the facilities so constructed;
- B. of a type other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- C. where facilities are to be installed over a route other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- D. where facilities are requested in a quantity greater than that which the Company would normally construct;
- E. where installation is on an expedited basis;

2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd.)

2.1.8 Special Construction, (cont'd.)

- F. on a temporary basis until permanent facilities are available;
- G. installation involving abnormal costs; or
- H. in advance of its normal construction schedules.

Special construction charges for Switched Access Service will be determined on an individual use basis, and be based upon cost plus a reasonable administrative charge less any credit for reuse or salvage.

2.1.9 Ownership of Facilities

Title to all facilities provided in accordance with this tariff remains in the Company, its agents, contractors or suppliers.

2.2 Prohibited Uses

- 2.2.1 The services the Company offers shall not be used for any unlawful purposes or for any use as to which the Customer has not obtained all required governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits.
- 2.2.2 The Company may require applicants for service who intend to use the Company's offerings for resale and/or for shared use to file a letter with the Company confirming their use of the Company's offerings complies with relevant laws and applicable state regulations, policies, orders, and decisions; and if the Reseller intends to provide intrastate services, is certified with the appropriate state entity.
- 2.2.3 The Company may require a Customer to immediately shut down its transmission of signals if said transmission is causing interference to others.

2.3 Obligations of the Customer

2.3.1 The Customer shall be responsible for:

- A. the payment of all applicable charges pursuant to this tariff;
- B. reimbursing the Company for damage to, or loss of, the Company's facilities or equipment caused by the acts or omissions of the Customer; or the noncompliance by the Customer with these regulations; or by fire or theft or other casualty on the Customer Premises, unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the employees or agents of the Company. The Company will, upon reimbursement for damages to its facilities or equipment, cooperate with the Customer in prosecuting a claim against the person causing such damage and the Customer shall be subjugated in the Company's right of recovery of damages to the extent of such payment;
- C. providing at no charge, as specified from time to time by the Company, any needed personnel, equipment, space, and power to operate Company facilities and equipment installed on the Customer Premises, and the level of heating and air conditioning necessary to maintain the proper operating environment on such Premises:
- D. obtaining, maintaining, and otherwise having full responsibility for all rights-of-way and conduit necessary for installation of fiber optic cable and associated equipment used to provide Access Services to the Customer from the cable building entrance or property line to the location of the equipment space described in 2.3.1.C above. Any costs associated with obtaining and maintaining the rights-of-way described herein, including the costs of altering the structure to permit installation of the Company-provided facilities, shall be owned entirely by, or may be charged by the Company to, the Customer. The Company may require the Customer to demonstrate its compliance with this subsection prior to accepting an order for service;

2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

2.3.1 <u>The Customer shall be responsible for, (cont'd.):</u>

- E. providing a safe place to work and complying with all laws and regulations regarding the working conditions on the Premises at which Company employees and agents shall be installing or maintaining the Company's facilities and equipment. The Customer may be required to install and maintain Company facilities and equipment within a hazardous area if, in the Company's opinion, injury or damage to the Company employees or property might result from installation or maintenance by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for identifying, monitoring, removing, and disposing of any hazardous material (e.g. friable asbestos) prior to any construction or installation work;
- F. complying with all laws and regulations applicable to, and obtaining all consents, approvals, licenses, and permits as may be required with respect to, the location of Company facilities and equipment in any Customer Premises or the rights-of-way for which Customer is responsible obtaining under Section 2.3.1.D above; and granting or obtaining permission for Company agents or employees to enter the Customer Premises at any time for the purpose of installing, inspecting, maintaining, repairing, or upon termination of service as stated herein, removing the facilities or equipment of the Company; and
- G. not creating or allowing to be placed or maintained any liens or other encumbrances on the Company's equipment or facilities.

2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

2.3.2 <u>Claims</u>

With respect to any service or facility provided by the Company, Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Company from all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees for:

- A. any loss, destruction or damage to property of the Company or any third party, or the death of or injury to persons, including, but not limited to employees or invitees of either the Company or the Customer, to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligent or intentional act or omission of the Customer, its employees, agents, representatives or invitees;
- B. any claim, loss, damage, expense or liability for infringement of any copyright, patent, trade secret, or any proprietary or intellectual property right of any third party, arising from any act or omission by the Customer, including, without limitation, use of the Company's services and facilities in a manner not contemplated by the agreement between the Customer and the Company.

2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

2.3.3 <u>Jurisdictional Reporting</u>

The jurisdictional reporting requirements will be as specified below. When a Customer orders Access Service, its projected Percent Interstate Usage (PIU) must be provided in whole numbers to the Company. These whole number percentages will be used by the Company to apportion the use and/or charges between interstate and intrastate until a revised report is received as set forth herein. Reported or default PIU factors are used only where the call detail is insufficient to determine the appropriate jurisdiction of the traffic.

A. <u>Originating Access:</u> Originating access minutes is only traffic originating from the Company Local Switching Center(s). The Customer should provide the Company with a projected PIU factor on a quarterly basis.

If no PIU for originating minutes is submitted as specified herein, then the projected PIU will be set on a default basis of 50 percent interstate traffic and 50 percent intrastate traffic.

B. <u>Terminating Access:</u> For Feature Group D Switched Access Service(s), the Customer should provide the Company with a projected PIU factor by supplying the Company with an interstate percentage of terminating access minutes on a quarterly basis, as described in Sections 2.3.3.D below.

If no projected PIU factor is submitted by the Customer, then the projected PIU will be set on a default basis of 50 percent interstate traffic and 50 percent intrastate traffic.

C. Except where the Company measured access minutes are used as set forth above, the Customer reported Projected PIU factor as set forth above will be used until the Customer reports a different projected PIU factor, as set forth below.

2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

2.3.3 <u>Jurisdictional Reporting, (cont'd.)</u>

- D. Effective on the first of January, April, July and October of each year the Customer should update its interstate and intrastate jurisdictional report. The Customer should forward to the Company, to be received no later than 15 days after the first of each such month, a revised report showing the interstate and intrastate percentage of use for the past three months ending the last day of December, March, June, and September, respectively, for each service arranged for interstate use, based solely on the traffic originating from or terminating to the Company Local Switching Center. The revised report will serve as the basis for the next three months' billing and will be effective on the bill date for that service. If the Customer does not supply the reports for those services where reports are needed, the Company will assume the percentage to be the same as that provided previously. For those cases in which a quarterly report has never been received from the Customer, the Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in 2.3.3A and 2.3.3B above.
- E. <u>Jurisdictional Reports Verification</u>: For Switched Access Service, if a billing dispute arises or a regulatory commission questions the projected PIU factor, the Customer will provide the data issued to determine the projected PIU factor. The Customer will supply the data within 30 days of the Company request.

The Customer shall keep records of call detail from which the percentage of interstate and intrastate use can be ascertained and, upon request of the Company, shall make the records available for inspection as reasonably necessary for purposes of verification of the percentages. The Company reserves the right to conduct an audit at any time during the year. The Customer, as its own expense, has the right to retain an independent auditing firm.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, (Cont'd.)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

2.3.4 Identification and Rating of Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic

a. Scope

This section governs the identification of Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic that is required to be compensated at interstate access rates (unless the parties have agreed otherwise) by the FCC USF/ICC Order. Specifically, this section establishes the method of separating such terminating traffic (referred to in this tariff as "Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic") from the Customer's traditional intrastate access traffic, so that such Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC USF/ICC Order.

b. Rating of Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic

Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic identified in accordance with this tariff section will be billed at rates equal to the Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates as specified in Tariff FCC #3.

c. Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor

The Company will determine the number of Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic minutes of use ("MOU") to which interstate rates will be applied by applying a Percent VoIP Usage ("PVU") factor to the total intrastate access MOU terminated by the Customer to an End User of the Company. The PVU will be derived and applied as follows:

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, (Cont'd.)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

- 2.3.4 Identification and Rating of Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd.)
 - c. Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor (Cont'd)
 - (1) The Customer will calculate and furnish to the Company a factor (the "PVU-C") representing the percentage of the total intrastate access MOU that the Customer exchanges with the Company in the state that is sent to the Company and that originated in IP format. This PVU-C shall be based on information such as 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.
 - (2) The Company will, likewise, calculate a factor (the "PVU-B") representing the percentage of the Company's total intrastate access MOU in the state that the Company terminates on its network in IP format. This PVU-B shall be based on information, such as the number of the Company'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.
 - (3) The Company will use the PVU-C and PVU-B factors to calculate a PVU factor that represents the percentage of total intrastate access MOU exchanged between an End User and the Customer that is originated or terminated in IP format, and terminated at the Company's end. The PVU factor will be calculated as the sum of: (A) the PVU-C factor and (B) the PVU-B factor times (1.0 minus the PVU-C factor).

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

- 2.3.4 Identification and Rating of Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd.)
 - c. Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor (Cont'd)
 - (4) The Company will apply the PVU factor to the total intrastate access MOU terminated by the Customer to an End User of the Company to determine the number of relevant Terminating Intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic MOUs.

Example 1: The PVU-B is 10% and the PVU-C is 40%. The PVU factor is equal to $40\% + (10\% \times 60\%) = 46\%$. the Company will bill 46% of the Customer's terminating intrastate access MOU at its applicable tariffed interstate rates.

Example 2: The PVU-B is 10% and the PVU-C is 0%. The PVU factor is $0\% + (100\% \times 10\%) = 10\%$. The Company will bill 10% of the Customer's terminating intrastate access MOU at the Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates.

Example 3: The PVU-C is 100%. No matter what the PVU-B factor is, the PVU is 100%. The Company will bill 100% of the Customer's terminating intrastate access MOU at the Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates.

(5) If the Customer does not furnish the Company with a PVU-C pursuant to the preceding paragraph 1,the Company will utilize a PVU equal to the PVU-B.

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2.3 Obligations of the Customer, (Cont'd.)

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

d. Initial PVU Factor

If the PVU factor is not available and/or cannot be implemented in the Company's billing systems by January 1, 2012, once the factor is available and can be implemented, the Company will adjust the Customer's bills to reflect the PVU retroactively to January 1, 2012. In calculating the initial PVU, The Company will take the Customer-specified PVU-C into account retroactively to January 1, 2012, *provided that* the Customer provides the factor to the Company no later than April 15, 2012; otherwise, it will set the initial PVU equal to the PVU-B as specified in subsection 2.3.4.c(5), above.

e. PVU Factor Updates

The Customer may update the PVU-C factor quarterly using the method set forth in subsection 2.3.4.c(1), above. If Customer chooses to submit such updates, it shall forward to the Company, no later than 15 days after the first day of January, April, July and/or October of each year, a revised PVU-C factor based on data for the prior three months, ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively. The Company will use the revised PVU-C to calculate a revised PVU. The revised PVU factor will apply prospectively and serve as the basis for billing until superseded by a new PVU.

f. PVU Factor Verification

Not more than twice in any year, the Company may ask the Customer to verify the PVU-C factor furnished to the Company and the Customer may ask the Company to verify the PVU-B factor and the calculation of the PVU factor. The party so requested shall comply, and shall reasonably provide the records and other information used to determine the respective PVU-C and PVU-B factors.

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2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels

2.4.1 General

A Customer may transmit or receive information or signals via the facilities of the Company.

2.4.2 Station Equipment

A. The Customer is responsible for providing and maintaining any terminal equipment on the Customer Premises. The electric power consumed by such equipment shall be provided by, and maintained at the expense of, the Customer. All such terminal equipment must be registered with the FCC under 47 C.F.R., Part 68 and all wiring must be installed and maintained in compliance with those regulations. The 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, nothing contained herein shall be deemed to impair the Company's right to discontinue forthwith the use of a service temporarily if such action is reasonable under the circumstances.

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2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels, (Cont'd.)

2.4.2 Station Equipment, (cont'd.)

A. (cont'd)

In case of such temporary discontinuance, the Customer will be promptly notified 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 Section 2.6 following is not applicable.

B. The Customer is responsible for ensuring that Customer-provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such equipment and facilities. The magnitude and character of the voltages and currents impressed on Company-provided equipment and wiring by the connection, operation, or maintenance of such equipment and wiring shall be such as not to cause damage to the Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to the Company's employees or other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury shall be provided by the Company at the Customer's expense.

2.4.3 Interconnection of Facilities

- A. Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities and equipment of the Company used for furnishing Access Services and the Channels, facilities, or equipment of others shall be provided at the Customer's expense.
- B. Access Services may be connected to the services or facilities of other communications carriers only when authorized by, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the tariffs of the other communications carriers which are applicable to such connections.

2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels, (Cont'd.)

2.4.4 <u>Inspections</u>

- A. Upon reasonable notification of the Customer, and at reasonable times, the Company may make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the Customer is complying with the requirements set forth in Section 2.4.2.B for the installation, operation, and wiring in the connection of Customer-provided facilities and equipment to Company-owned facilities and equipment. No credit will be allowed for any interruptions occurring during such inspections.
- B. If the protective requirements for Customer-provided equipment are not being complied with, the Company may take such action as it deems necessary to protect its facilities, equipment, and personnel. The Company will notify the Customer promptly if there is any need for further corrective action. Within ten days of receiving this notice, the Customer must take this corrective action and notify the Company of the action taken. If the Customer fails to do this, the Company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including the suspension of service, to protect its facilities, equipment, and personnel from harm. The Company will, upon request 24 hours in advance, provide the Customer with a statement of technical parameters that the Customer's equipment must meet.

2.5 Payment Arrangements

2.5.1 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services and facilities furnished by the Company to the Customer or its Joint or Authorized Users.

A. Taxes

The Customer is responsible for the payment of any sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access or other local, state and federal taxes, charges or surcharges (however designated) excluding taxes on the Company's net income imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of Access Services. All such taxes shall be separately designated on the Company's invoices.

2.5 Payment Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

2.5.2 <u>Billing and Collection of Charges</u>

- A. Unless otherwise specified herein, bills are due and payable upon receipt.
- B. The Company shall bill on a current basis all charges incurred by, and credits due to, the Customer under this tariff attributable to services established, provided, or discontinued during the preceding billing period.
- C. Non-Recurring Charges are due and payable within 20 days after the invoice date.
- D. The Company shall present invoices for all Charges monthly to the Customer.
- E. Amounts not paid within 30 days after the date of invoice will be considered past due. Broadview will assess a late payment charge equal to 1.5% per month for any past due balance (net of any charges billed as local taxes) that exceeds 30 days. If the Company becomes concerned at any time about the ability of a Customer to pay its bills, the Company may require that the Customer pay its bills within a specified number of days and make such payments in cash or the equivalent of cash.
- F. If a service is disconnected by the Company in accordance with Section 2.5.3 following and later restored, restoration of service will be subject to all applicable installation charges.
- G. If a Customer does not give the Company notice of a billing or rate dispute within ninety (90) days from the date the invoice was rendered, such invoice and the charges levied shall be deemed to be reasonable, correct and binding. In the event Customer disputes any billing or rates, Customer shall notify Company, either verbally or in writing, providing the billing identification, trouble ticket number and an explanation for the dispute, and shall nevertheless pay all undisputed charges within the thirty (30) day period specified in paragraph (E) above. Company will investigate the dispute and attempt to resolve the billing or rate issues as soon as reasonably possible. Payment shall not prejudice Customer's right to dispute charges, so long as they are disputed in the manner described herein and within three (3) years No action or proceeding against the Company disputing bills or rates charged shall be commenced unless Customer has first complied with this Section, or in any event more than three (3) years after the service is rendered.

2.5 Payment Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

2.5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges, (cont'd.)

If the Customer and the Company are unable to resolve the dispute to their mutual satisfaction, the Customer may file a complaint with the Commission in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedures. The address is as follows:

Virginia State Corporation Commission Communications Division Tyler Building, 9th Floor 1300 E. Main Street Richmond, VA 23219

Telephone: 804.371.9420 Facsimile: 804.371.9069

2.5.3 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service

The Discontinuance of Service by the company pursuant to this Section does not relieve the Customer of any obligations to pay the company for charges due and owing for service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance.

The remedies set forth herein shall not be exclusive and the Company shall at all times be entitled to all rights available to it under either law or equity.

- A. Upon nonpayment of any amounts owing to the Company, the Company may, by giving then (10) day's prior written notice to the Customer discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- B. Upon violation of any of the other material terms or conditions for furnishing service the Company may, by giving 30 days' prior notice in writing to the Customer, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability if such violation continues during that period.
- C. Upon condemnation of any material portion of the facilities used by the Company to provide service to a Customer or if a casualty renders all or any material portion of such facilities inoperable beyond feasible repair, the Company, by notice to the Customer, may discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- D. Upon any governmental prohibition, or required alteration of the services to be provided or any violation of an applicable law or regulation, the Company may immediately discontinue service without incurring any Liability.

2.5 Payment Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

2.5.3 <u>Refusal and Discontinuance of Service, (cont'd.)</u>

- E. Upon the Company's discontinuance of service to the Customer under Section 2.5.3.A or 2.5.3.B above, the Company, in addition to all other remedies that may be available to the Company at law or in equity or under any other provision of this tariff, may declare all future monthly and other charges which would have been payable by the Customer during the remainder of the term for which such services would have otherwise been provided to the Customer to be immediately due and payable.
- F. The Company may discontinue the furnishings of any and/or all service(s) to Customer, without incurring any liability:
 - 1. Immediately and without notice if the Company deems that such action is necessary to prevent or to protect against fraud or to otherwise protect its personnel, agents, facilities or services. The Company may discontinue service pursuant to this sub-section 2.5.3.F.1.(a-e), if
 - (a) The Customer refuses to furnish information to the Company regarding the Customer's credit-worthiness, its past or current use of Common Carrier communications services or its planned use of service(s); or
 - (b) The Customer provides false information to the Company regarding the Customer's identity, address, credit-worthiness, past or current use of Common Carrier communications services, or its planned use of the Company's service(s); or

2.5 Payment Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

- 2.5.3 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service, (cont'd.)
 - F. (cont'd)
 - 1. (cont'd)
 - (c) The Customer states that it will not comply with a request of the Company for security for the payment for service(s) in accordance with Section 2.5.3.A above; or
 - (d) The Customer has been given written notice by the Company of any past due amount (which remains unpaid in whole or in part) for any of the Company's other Common Carrier communications services to which the Customer either subscribes or had subscribed or used; or
 - (e) The Customer uses, or attempts or use, service with the intent to void the payment, either in whole or in part, of the tariff charges for the service by:
 - I. Using or attempting to use service by rearranging, tampering with, or making connections to the Company's service not authorized by this tariff, or
 - II. Using tricks, schemes, false or invalid numbers, false credit devices, electronic devices; or
 - III. By delivering calls to or accepting calls from the Company's End User locations over Company switched local exchange services; or
 - IV. Continuing to have Company End Users presubscribed to the Customer; or
 - V. Any other fraudulent means or devices.
 - 2. Upon ten (10) days' written notice to the Customer of any sum thirty (30) days past due;

2.5 Payment Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

2.5.3 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service, (cont'd.)

- F. (cont'd)
 - 3. Upon ten (10) days' written notice to the Customer, after failure of the Customer to comply with a request made by the Company for security for the payment of service in accordance with Section 2.5.3.A, above; or
 - 4. Ten (10) days after sending the Customer written notice of noncompliance with any provision of this tariff if the noncompliance is not corrected within that ten (10) day period. The discontinuance of service(s) by the Company pursuant to this Section does not relieve the Customer of any obligation to pay the Company for charges due and owing for service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance.

2.5.4 <u>Cancellation of Application for Service</u>

Where, prior to cancellation by the Customer, the Company incurs any expenses in installing the service or in preparing to install the service that it otherwise would not have incurred, a charge equal to the costs the Company incurred, less net salvage, shall apply, but in no case shall this charge exceed the sum of the charge for the minimum period of services ordered, including installation charges, and all charges others levy against the Company that would have been chargeable to the Customer had service begun.

The special charges described will be calculated and applied on a case-by-case basis.

2.6 Allowances for Interruptions in Service

Interruptions in service which are not due to the negligence of or noncompliance with the provisions of this tariff by, the Customer or the operation or malfunction of the facilities, power, or equipment provided by the Customer, will be credited to the Customer as set forth in 2.6.1 for the part of the service that the interruption affects.

The credit allowance will be calculated by the Company after the Customer notifies the Company of service interruption. The amount of the allowance will depend on the length of the outage and the service impacted. Service Outage conditions are defined as complete loss of call origination and/or receipt capability. Credit Allowances, if any, will be deducted from the charges payable by the IXC and will be expressly indicated on the next invoice. A Service Outage begins when the IXC reports the outage to Broadview. A Service Outage ends when the affected circuit and/or associated Broadview equipment is fully operational in accordance with the technical specifications, and restored to the customer. In cases of large outages, it may not be possible to confirm restoration of service to each and every customer.

Credit allowances do not apply to outages (i) caused by the IXC; (ii) due to failure of equipment provided by the IXC; (iii) during any period in which Broadview is not given access to the service premises; (iv) due to failures of facilities or equipment provided by the LEC which are resulting from the activities or negligence of LEC employees; (vi) due to inability to gain access to the IXC's equipment; and (vii) due to mutually agreed upon maintenance and repair.

Credit Allowances received by Broadview from the LEC for Off-Net facility outages which affects the IXC's Switched Services will be passed through to the IXC in the form of a credit on the next invoice.

2.6 Allowances for Interruptions in Service, (Cont'd.)

2.6.1 <u>Limitations on Allowances</u>

No credit allowance will be made for:

- A. interruptions due to the negligence of, or noncompliance with the provisions of this tariff by, the Customer, Authorized User, Joint-User, or other Common Carrier providing service connected to the service of Company;
- B. interruptions due to the negligence of any person other than the Company, including, but not limited to, the Customer or other Common Carriers connected to the Company's facilities;
- C. interruptions due to the failure or malfunction of non-Company equipment;
- D. interruptions of service during any period in which the Company is not given full and free access to its facilities and equipment for the purpose of investigating and correcting interruptions;
- E. interruptions of service during a period in which the Customer continues to use the service on an impaired basis;
- F. interruptions of service during any period when the Customer has released service to the Company for maintenance purposes or for implementation of a Customer order for a change in service arrangements;
- G. interruption of service due to circumstances or causes beyond the control of the Company.
- H. interruption of switched access service less than 24 hours in duration.
- I. For purposes of credit computations, every month shall be considered to have seven hundred twenty (720) hours. For services with a monthly recurring charge, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of continuous duration of less than eight (8) hours. The Customer shall be credited for an interruption of eight (8) or more as follows:

Credit = A/720 * B; where,

- A = outage time in hours, and
- B = total monthly recurring charges for affected service.
- J. Credits are not provided for usage sensitive services.

2.7 Transfers and Assignments

Neither the Company nor the Customer may assign or transfer its rights or duties in connection with the services and facilities provided by the Company without the written consent of the other party, except that the Company may assign its rights and duties without notice (a) to any subsidiary, parent Company or affiliate of the Company (b) pursuant to any sale or transfer of substantially all the assets of the Company; or pursuant to any financing, merger or reorganization of the Company.

2.8 Notices and Communications

- 2.8.1 When a Customer's access service begins pursuant to a Constructive Order, an invoice will be the first communication from the Company to the Customer. In other instances a Service Order may be used.
- 2.8.2 The Customer shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Company shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that the Customer may also designate a separate address to which the Company's bills for service shall be mailed.
- 2.8.3 The Company shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Customer shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that the Company may designate a separate address, on each bill for service, to which the Customer shall mail payment on that bill.
- 2.8.4 All notices or other communications required to be given pursuant to this tariff shall be in writing. Notices and other communications of either party, and all bills mailed by the Company, shall be presumed to have been delivered to the other party on the third business day following deposit of the notice, communication, or bill with the U.S. Mail or a private delivery service, prepaid and properly addressed, or when actually received or refused by the addressee, whichever occurs first.
- 2.8.5 The Company or the Customer shall advise the other party of any changes to the addresses designated for notices, other communications or billing, by following the procedures for giving notice set forth herein.

2.9 Meet Point Billing

Meet Point Billing applies when more than one Exchange Telephone Company is involved in the provision of Access Service. All recurring and nonrecurring charges for services provided by each Exchange Telephone Company are billed under each company's applicable rates as set forth below.

The Company accepts and adheres to the Ordering and Billing Forum guidelines, Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) and Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design (MECOD).

2.10 Deposits

The Company may require a deposit from Customer to protect against uncollectible accounts. The maximum amount of any deposit shall not exceed the equivalent of the Customer's estimated liability for two (2) months usage.

Payment of a deposit by the Customer does not relieve the Customer of the responsibility to make timely payments on the account with the Company.

The Company will pay interest on deposits held longer then ninety (90) days, to accrue from the date the deposit is made until it has been refunded, or until a reasonable effort has been made to effect refund. The Commission shall notify the Company in January of each year of the interest rate prevailing for that year.

At the option of the Customer making a security deposit, the Company shall annually make either direct payment to the Customer of all accrued interest, or shall credit same to the Customer account. Customer deposits may be refunded by a utility at any time. Deposits should not be held longer than two (2) years provided the Customer has established satisfactory credit during the period.

2.11 Returned Check

The Customer will be assessed a returned check charge of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each check submitted by the Customer to the Company that a financial institution refuses to honor.

SECTION 3 - ORDERING OPTIONS FOR ACCESS SERVICE

3.1 General

This section sets forth the regulations and order related charges for Access Service Requests (ASR) for Switched Access Service, as defined in this tariff. These charges are in addition to other applicable charges set forth in other sections of this tariff.

3.1.1 Ordering Conditions

Customer may order switched access through a Constructive Order, as defined herein, or through an ASR.

The format and terms of the ASR will be as specified in the Industry Access Service Order Guidelines, unless otherwise specified herein.

3.1.2 Minimum Period of Service

The minimum period for which Access Service is provided and for which charges are applicable is one month.

- A. The following changes will be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and a request for installation of a new service. All associated Non-Recurring Charges will apply for the new service, and a new minimum period will be established:
 - 1. A change in the identity of the Customer of record; or
 - 2. A move by the Customer to a different building.
- B. When Access Service is disconnected prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable for the balance of the minimum period. The Minimum Period Charge for monthly billed services will be determined as follows:

For Switched Access Service, the charge for a month or fraction thereof is equivalent to 50,000 billed minutes of use for the applicable service.

All applicable Non-Recurring Charges for the service will be billed in addition to the Minimum Period Charge.

SECTION 3 - ORDERING OPTIONS FOR ACCESS SERVICE, (Cont'd.)

3.2 Miscellaneous Charges

Customer Requested Due Date Change^{1,2} \$50, per order

Customer Requested Expedite² \$250, per location, per order

Cancellation (after 3 business days from order placement) ² Full NRCs + \$250, per order

Design Change, DS0/DS1² \$150, per circuit

Design Change, DS3 and higher² \$300, per circuit

Administrative Processing² \$25, per order

Company Due Date Change Policy - No due date change accepted at or after four (4) days prior to the current due date. If a Customer request is received during that time period, the supplemental charge will apply and, in addition, the billing will start on the current due date without exception.

For services involving facilities leased from other telecommunications providers, Supplementary Charges will be priced on an Individual Case Basis, and will be based upon a pass-through of all charges assessed by other providers, and the Company's administrative costs.

SECTION 4 - SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

4.1 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 Premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching and trunking facilities, and for the use of common subscriber plant of the Company. Switched Access Service provides for the ability to originate calls from a Premises to a Customer Designated Premises in the LATA where it is provided.

Switched Access Service may be provided in conjunction with telecommunications service and/or VoIP Service.

The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in Section 5 following. The rates for Switched Access Service described in Section 5 below are applicable to Switched Access Service provided in conjunction with telecommunications service and/or VoIP Service.

4.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements

4.2.1 <u>Feature Group Access</u>

FG Access is provisioned at the DS-1 level and provides trunk-side access to Local Switching Center switches, for the Customer's use in originating and terminating communications. Basic FG Access service will be provided with Multi-Frequency In Band Signaling (SS7 is also available, where capabilities exist).

All traffic is routed to and from the Company's local switching center via the Customer's tandem provider or via end office trucking, where available. Delivery of calls to, or acceptance of calls from, the Company's End User locations over Company-switched local exchange services shall constitute an agreement by the Customer to purchase switched access services as described herein. The Company reserves the right to require the Customer to submit an ASR for switched access.

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SECTION 4 - SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE, (Cont'd.)

4.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

4.2.2 Manner of Provision

Trunks used for Switched Access Service may be configured for one-way (either originating only or terminating only) or for two-way directionality.

4.2.3 Call Types

The following Switched Access Service call types are available:

- A. Originating FG Access
- B. Originating 800 FG Access
- C. Terminating FG Access

4.2.4 Originating FG Access

The access code for FG Access switching is a uniform access code of the form 1+ or 011+ or 101XXXX. For 101XXXX dialing a single access code will be the assigned number of all FG Access provided to the Customer by the Company. When the access code is used, FG Access switching also provides for dialing the digit 0 for access to the Customer's operator service, 911 for access to emergency service, and/or the end of dialing digit (#) for cut-through access to the Customer's premises. The Company will provide originating FG access consistent with dialing parity obligations.

SECTION 4 - SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE, (Cont'd.)

4.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements, (Cont'd.)

4.2.5 Originating 800 FG Access

800 Data Base Access Service is a service offering utilizing originating Trunk side Switched Access Service. When an 8XX + NXX + XXXX call is originated by an End User, the Company will perform Customer identification based on screening of the full ten-digits of the 8XX number to determine the Customer location to which the call is to be routed.

4.2.6 Terminating FG Access

FG Access, when used in the terminating direction, may only be used to access end users who are subscribing to the Company's Local Exchange Services. Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-0XXX or 950-1XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance, (411 or 555-1212) service codes 611 and 911 and 101XXXX access codes.

4.3 Reports and Testing

- 4.3.1 <u>Design Layout Report:</u> At the request of the Customer, the 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.
- 4.3.2 <u>Acceptance Testing:</u> At no additional charge, the 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, DC continuity, operational signaling and/or Framing/Line-Coding, Bit Errors, Frame Errors, Slips, CRC Errors, Signal Frequency.

SECTION 5 - SWITCHED ACCESS RATES

5.1 General

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Switched Access Services:

There are three types of rates and charges that apply to Switched Access Service:

- Non-Recurring Charges: One-time charges that apply for a specific work activity.
- Recurring Charges: Fixed charges apply each month and depend on the number and type of facilities in place.
- Usage Charges: Charges that are applied on a per access minute basis. Usage rates are accumulated over a monthly period.

- **5.2 Rate Categories**Error! Bookmark not defined.
 - 5.2.1 The Company provides originating and terminating switched access service through a single blended rate based on aggregate traffic volumes from the following cost categories:

Carrier Common Line

The Carrier Common Line cost category establishes the charges related to the use of Company-provided end user common lines by customers and end users for intrastate access.

Carrier Connect Access

The Carrier Connect Access category establishes charges related to the use of local switching equipment, the terminations in the end office of end user lines, the terminations of calls at Company Intercept Operators or recordings, the Signaling Transfer Point (STP) costs, and the SS7 signaling function between the end office and the STP.

Switched Transport

The Switched Transport cost 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. Where tandem switched transport is provided, the Dedicated Tandem Trunk Port is a monthly per port rate that provides a port for each dedicated trunk terminating on the serving wire center side of the access tandem.

"3rd Party" Switched Transport rates apply to terminating traffic that traverses a tandem switch that is not owned by the Company (the terminating carrier) or its affiliates. "End Office" Switched Transport rates apply to terminating traffic that traverses a tandem switch owned by the Company (the terminating carrier) or its affiliate.

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5.2 Rate Categories, (Cont'd.)

5.2.2 Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Query

The Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Query Charge, will apply for each Toll-Free 8XX call query received at the Company's (or its provider's) Toll-Free 8XX data base.

A vertical feature package may also be purchased, available only with Toll Free 8XX Data Base Query, to provide feature functionality in addition to the basic query. The feature package may include various destination options such as POTS Translation, carrier selection, time-of-day routing, day-of-week routing, specific-date routing, geographic routing, routing based on percent of allocation, and emergency routing profiles.

5.2.3 Optional Features

Other optional features may be available on an Individual Case Basis (ICB).

5.3 Billing of Access Minutes

When recording originating calls over FG Access with multi-frequency address signaling, usage measurement begins when the first wink supervisory signal is forwarded from the Customer's facilities. The measurement of originating call usage over FG Access ends when the originating FG Access entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating End User's Local Switching Center - (indicating that the originating End User has disconnected), or the Customer's facilities, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

For terminating calls over FG Access with multi-frequency address signaling, the measurement of access minutes begins when a seizure signal is received from the Carrier's trunk group at the Point of Presence within the LATA. The measurement of terminating call usage over FG Access ends when a disconnect signal is received, indicating that either the originating or terminating user has disconnected.

When recording originating calls over FG Access with SS7 signaling, usage measurement begins with the transmission of the initial address message by the switch for direct trunk groups and with the receipt of an exit message by the switch for tandem trunk groups. The measurement of originating FG Access usage ends when the entry switch receives or sends a release message, whichever occurs first.

For terminating calls over FG Access with SS7 signaling, the measurement of access minutes begins when the terminating recording switch receives the initial address message from the terminating End User. On directly routed trunk groups or on tandem routed trunk groups, the Company switch receives the initial address message and sends the indication to the Customer in the form of an answer message. The measurement of terminating FG Access call usage ends when the entry switch receives or sends a release message, whichever occurs first.

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SECTION 5 - SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (Cont'd.)

5.4 Rates and Charges

Carrier Connect Access (All Rate Classes)

Originating Non-VoIP, Non-8XX, per MOU

Originating VoIP (8XX and Non-8XX) and N	Ion-VoIP 8XX, per MOU	J	
	VoIP and Non-VoIP	<u>VoIP</u>	(C)
	<u>8XX</u>	Non-8XX	
- Tandem Switched Transport			ļ
- Tandem Transport, Fixed	*	\$0.000000	ļ.
- Tandem Transport, Per Mile	*	\$0.000002	
- Tandem Switching	\$0.0010 (R)	\$0.001574	l I
- Local Switching	\$0.002406	\$0.002406	l I
7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023	\$0.001203 (R)	\$0.002406	i
On and after 7/1/2023	\$0.000000 (R)	\$0.002406	i
- Shared End Office Trunk	\$0.001688	\$0.001688	į
7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023	\$0.000844 (R)	\$0.001688	1
On and after 7/1/2033	\$0.00000 (R)	\$0.001688	(C)

Terminating, per MOU

- End Office - Tandem Transport, Fixed \$0.000000	
- Tandem Transport, Tixed \$0.00000	
- Tandem Transport, Per Mile \$0.000000	
- Tandem Transport, Fer Wife \$0.000000	
- 3 rd Party	
- Tandem Transport, Fixed \$0.000000	
- Tandem Transport, Per Mile \$0.000002	
-Tandem Switching	
- End Office \$0.000000	
- 3 rd Party \$0.001574	
- Local Switching \$0.000000	
- Shared End Office Trunk \$0.000000	
- Composite Terminating End Office Charge \$0.000000	
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[#] Rate will only apply to the portion associated with originating usage.

Dedicated Tandem Trunk Port, Per Port, Per Month#

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^{*} Rate included in 8XX Tandem Switching Rate.

5.4 Rates and Charges, (Cont'd.)

Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Query

Per query (Includes Vertical Feature)	\$0.003089	(C)
7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023	\$0.0016445 (R)	
On and after 7/1/2023	\$0.0002000 (R)	(C)

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Authorized PIC Change

Per Telephone Exchange Service Line or Trunk, Manual \$5.50

Switched Access Optional Features

All Optional Features are offered on an Individual Case Basis (ICB).

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SECTION 6 - CONTRACTS AND INDIVIDUAL CASE BASIS ARRANGEMENTS

6.1 Contracts

The Company may provide any of the services offered under this tariff, or combinations of services, to Customers on a contractual basis. The terms and conditions of each contract offering are subject to the agreement of both the Customer and Company. Such contract offerings will be made available to similarly situated Customers in substantially similar circumstances. Rates in other sections of this tariff do not apply to Customers who agree to contract arrangements, with respect to services within the scope of the contract.

Services provided under contract are not eligible for any promotional offerings which may be offered by the Company from time to time.

6.2 Individual Case Basis Arrangements

Arrangements will be developed on an individual case basis (ICB) in response to a bona fide special request from a Customer or prospective Customer to develop a competitive bid for a service. ICB rates will be offered to the Customer in writing and on a non-discriminatory basis. The Company will maintain records of its ICB contracts for Commission review as conditions or circumstances may require.